

# DIVINITY AND PASTORAL COUNSELING (MDIV/MA)

This dual-degree program provides the student with a comprehensive background in ministerial leadership (through the Master of Divinity, M.Div. (<https://catalog.luc.edu/graduate-professional/institute-pastoral-studies/divinity/divinity-mdiv/>)) and specialist competencies in spiritually-integrated psychotherapy (through the MA in Pastoral Counseling, MAPC (<https://catalog.luc.edu/graduate-professional/institute-pastoral-studies/counseling/pastoral-counseling-ma/>)). Notably, the MAPC degree prepares students for licensure with the State of Illinois (and most other states). A "Licensed Professional Counselor" (LPC) is qualified as a clinical mental health worker in a variety of contexts.

## Related Programs

### Master's

- Divinity (MDiv) (<https://catalog.luc.edu/graduate-professional/institute-pastoral-studies/divinity/divinity-mdiv/>)

### Combined

- Divinity and Social Justice (MDiv/MA) (<https://catalog.luc.edu/graduate-professional/dual-degree-programs/divinity-social-justice-mdiv-ma/>)

## Curriculum

Code	Title	Hours
<b>Writing Requirement</b> <sup>1</sup>		
IPS 400	Introduction to Graduate and Professional Writing	0
<b>Reflective Critical Understanding</b>		
<i>Context</i>		
IPS 555	Human Person and Psychological Development	3
IPS 532	Social Context of Ministry	3
<i>Scripture</i>		
IPS 417	Introduction to the Old Testament	3
IPS 416	Introduction to New Testament	3
Scripture Elective		3
<i>Pastoral/Systematic Theology</i>		
IPS 570	Introduction to Theology and Ministry	3
IPS 531	Christian Doctrine	3
IPS 402	Church and Mission	3
IPS 502	Theology of the Developing Person	3
<i>Ethics</i>		
IPS 553	Moral Theology and Christian Ethics	3
IPS 512	Ethics, Pastoral Counseling, and Spirituality	3
<i>Sacramental &amp; Liturgical Theology</i>		
IPS 541	Liturgy and Christian Sacraments	3
<i>Spirituality</i>		
IPS 545	The Foundations of Christian Spirituality	3
<b>Pastoral Counseling Core</b>		
IPS 517	Models of Pastoral Counseling	3
IPS 473	Family Therapy and Personal Transformation	3
IPS 474	Addictions & Modes of Therapy	3
IPS 509	Psychopathology	3

IPS 520	Testing, Measurement & Assessment	3
IPS 515	Research Methods	3
IPS 507	Pastoral, Psychodynamic Assessment and Intervention	3
IPS 472	Pastoral Counseling in an Intercultural Context	3
IPS 518	Career Counseling for the Pastoral Counselor	3
<b>Ministry Skills Core</b>		
IPS 501	Advanced Human Relation Skills	3
IPS 503	Fundamentals of Pastoral Counseling	3
IPS 505	Group Counseling Approaches	3
IPS 560	Liturgical Leadership	3
or IPS 565	Pastoral Leadership	
<b>Contextual Core</b>		
IPS 511	Internship Supervision I	3
IPS 513	Internship Supervision II	3
<b>Faith Formation</b>		
IPS 530	Clinical Pastoral Care Registration	0
M.Div. Midpoint Review		
<b>Total Hours</b>		<b>84</b>

<sup>1</sup> If required at the time of admission

## Dual Degree Programs

Students in dual degree programs are responsible for abiding by academic policies and graduation requirements of both academic units to which they are enrolled. It is strongly recommended that students schedule regular meetings with academic advisors from both units to ensure timely degree completion. Dual degree programs may have slightly different degree requirements from the standard for one or both of the degrees earned. Students should closely read through all degree requirements and ask for clarification as needed.

## Graduate & Professional Standards and Regulations

Students in graduate and professional programs can find their Academic Policies in Graduate and Professional Academic Standards and Regulations (<https://catalog.luc.edu/academic-standards-regulations/graduate-professional/>) under their school. Any additional University Policies supersede school policies.

## Learning Outcomes

By completing the program, students will be able to demonstrate:

- The ability to interpret pastoral circumstances in relation to scripture, tradition, and human sciences; (Theology/Religious Heritage). [MDiv]
- The ability to engage, transform, and/or critique social, economic, political, and ecclesial realities of our day in order to address the changing landscape of ministry. (Cultural Context) [MDiv]
- The ability to engage the relevant dimensions of Christian faith, discipleship and ministry with interpersonal, spiritual, and ecclesial maturity. (Maturity/Personal Formation) [MDiv]
- The ability to be present to the person and community's condition and environments by developing skills to discern and describe the ministry required; (Skills/Ministerial Leadership) [MDiv]

- The ability to construct ministerial vision and formulate ministerial strategies to effect personal and community transformation. [MDiv]
- The ability to pastorally and clinically engage human psychological, relational, and contextual distress in therapeutic ways. (Cultural Context) [MA]
- The ability to interpret, engage, and expand psycho-spiritual meaning making in relation to the pastoral legacy of faith communities. (Theology /Spirituality/Religious Heritage) [MA]
- The ability to offer competent therapeutic services in secular and/or faith-based contexts based on personal, interpersonal, and spiritual maturity. (Maturity/Personal Formation) [MA]
- The ability to appropriately assess and diagnose personal and relational life conditions that contribute to human distress and break down, with the skills needed to discern and effectively pastoral engage the identified dilemmas. (Skills/Ministerial Leadership) [MA]