

COMBINED**Master of Divinity/
Master of Business Administration**

As one answering the call to ministry, you are familiar with a sense of leadership, purpose, and commitment to helping others. Extend your impact as a servant leader by developing the skills necessary for success in ministry settings with business coursework that complements your theological studies. Mercer University's School of Theology and School of Business offer the **Combined Master of Divinity/Master of Business Administration (M.Div./MBA)** to develop comprehensive leaders who flourish in various ministry settings by merging business and theological education.

The M.Div./MBA is designed to equip individuals for effective management of human, financial, and material resources within ministries and faith-based settings. Theological coursework enables students to develop critical thinking and communication skills necessary to motivate and help others, while business coursework instills practical applications of accounting, finance, marketing, and economics for informed decision making as a leader in ministry. Through Mercer's M.Div./MBA, you'll set yourself apart with another dimension to your education and prepare for career advancement by developing management and leadership skills.

**PROGRAM STRUCTURE**

- Apply for admission to the Master of Divinity program and the Master of Business Administration program
- Enroll in a combination of online and in-class M.Div. courses and evening MBA courses on Mercer's Atlanta campus
- Apply certain course credits between programs to satisfy both degree requirements
- Complete the combined degree program within four years as a full-time student
- Pursue ministry-related administrative and leadership positions including associate minister, business consultant for congregations, director of church operations, director of student ministry, ministry coordinator, ministry strategist, nonprofit director, outreach director, senior pastor, and more

ADMISSION

Applicants seeking admission must meet the requirements for both the School of Theology and the School of Business. Courses for the M.Div. begin twice per year in January and August, and courses for the Evening MBA begin five times per year in January, March, May, August, and October. International applicants should consult the University catalog for additional requirements.

Master of Divinity Admission Requirements

- Bachelor's degree with a liberal arts core from a regionally accredited institution, or proof of an equivalent degree from a foreign university
- Completed application
- \$50 non-refundable application fee (\$100 for international students)
- Résumé
- Official transcripts from each college attended
- Background check, completed online at Castle Branch
- Autobiographical essay
- Three letters of recommendation: one from a pastor/church leader and two from a professor/supervisor
- Writing sample of an essay or excerpt from an academic paper (2000-2500 words)

Master of Business Administration Admission Requirements

- Bachelor's degree from a regionally accredited institution
- Completed application
- \$50 non-refundable application fee (\$100 for international students)
- Résumé
- Official transcripts from each college attended
- Official GMAT or GRE scores

A TOP-RANKED SCHOOL

Founded in 1833, Mercer University is a dynamic and comprehensive center of undergraduate, graduate, and professional education. For almost two decades, *U.S. News & World Report* has ranked Mercer among the leading universities in the nation—including a **Best Value**—and The Princeton Review consistently ranks Mercer in the **Top 15%** of colleges and universities nationwide.

GET STARTED

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