

# Master of Arts in Leadership

## Leaders: Born or Made

This age old question may never be fully answered; some leaders seem to be born for the role and some are chosen in a time of crisis. In most leadership development programs, the emphasis is on strategic planning and managerial skill building, which is indeed important. Vision has built its program on the philosophy of the 5 C's. In order of importance, they are:

- **Christ...** knowing him intimately and comprehensively.
- **Community...** for it takes a community of faith to know Christ and it develops...
- **Character...** or the Fruit of the Spirit in the life of the leader.
- **Calling...** a leader not called is a leader destined to fail.
- **Competency...** skills and strategic planning... put all together it develops a truly dynamic man or woman of God.

# Ready to Enroll in a VIU Program?

Vision International University admits students of any race, color, sex, national and ethnic origin to all the rights, privileges, programs and activities generally accorded or made available to students at the school. The College does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, sex, national or ethnic origin in the administration of any of its policies or programs. Students must possess the following educational background:

## Admission Requirements:

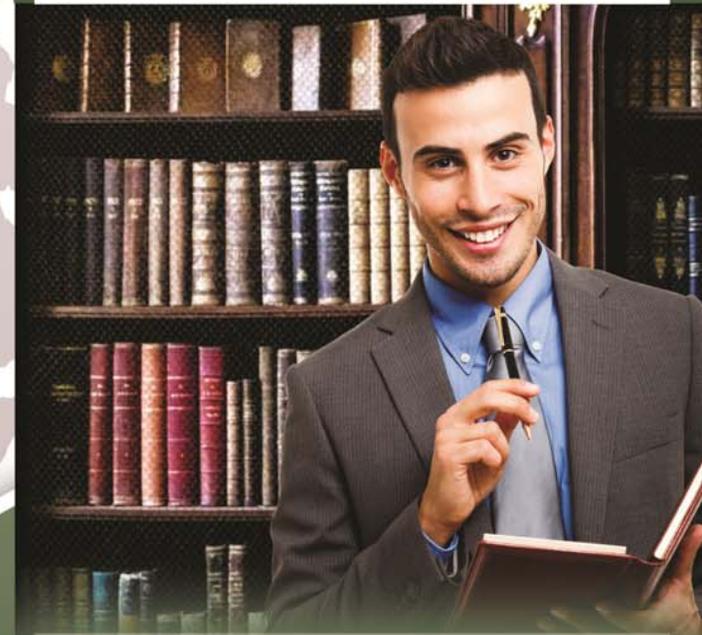
### Master Programs Students must:

- Possess a bachelor's degree (or its foreign equivalent) from an accredited college or university.
- Provide transcripts of all high school and/or undergraduate work with a grade point average of at least 2.5 (on a 4.0 scale) or equivalent from an accredited college or university.
- Provide transcripts of any graduate courses, showing a grade of B or higher (3.0 on a 4.0 scale) or its equivalent from an accredited institution. (See "Transfer of Credits.")
- Submit an Application for Admission.
- Provide a professional resume.



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## Course of Study

### Purpose

The Master degrees provide for an extensive, advanced education in a specialized area of Christian ministry. Each is a 36 credit-hour program which integrates theological education and professional courses. The program is especially suited for students desiring to continue on toward doctoral study.

All of the College's Master programs are viewed as complete programs. However, transfer of credit may be allowed (up to 6 credits) if course offerings are substantially equivalent to the program of Vision, are from an accredited institution, and received a grade of 2.5 or better on a scale of 4.0. There are no modifications of the basic program listed here without specific permission of the College.

### Goals

- To provide advanced knowledge and understanding of the Bible and the relationship between scripture and the applied discipline.
- To provide knowledge and skills in effective, professional ministry in the area of specialization.
- To provide academic and professional training equal to programs required for advanced Christian service.



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## Prerequisites and Graduation Requirements

The Master of Arts in Leadership degree program is a unique combination of interactive residencies (optional, but highly recommended) at the Center for Healthy Leadership in Elkhart, Indiana, and online studies. The program is directed by Dr. Malcolm Webber, Dean of the College of Leadership.

The Master of Arts in Leadership degree program consists of 36 credit hours. Each course is 3 credit hours, except LE 511, which is 6 credits.

### Prerequisite:

The Master of Arts requires a prerequisite of 30 credit hours of undergraduate general education courses as well as holding a Bachelor's degree.

### Required Courses:

- LE 501 Introduction to Leadership and Leaders
- LE 502 Ministry Leadership Foundations
- LE 503 Dynamics of Effective Leaders and Followers
- LE 504 Spirituality and Leadership
- LE 505 Contemporary Issues in Leadership
- LE 506 Leader Development
- CE 501 Church Administration and Leadership
- CE 502 Interpersonal Communication and Conflict Management
- CE 503 Advanced Leadership and Administration
- CO 510 Human Development
- PT 504 Christian Worldview
- LE 511 Leadership Practicum