

Introduction to Pathways to Completion of the MDiv (81 credits)

The following pages provide pathways for completing the requirements for the MDiv degree in three, four, five, and six years. The pathways align with the current annual rotation of courses and maintain a reasonable balance of credits for each semester. Additionally, they follow the guiding principles below, designed to provide a logical progression of learning and formation.

- The pathways are designed so that students take foundational courses (Hebrew Bible and New Testament courses, Anglican Liturgy and Music: Development and Theology, Church History, Systematic Theology, Art of Preaching, and Reimagining Congregations) early in the program, prior to their mid-program review. The mid-program review takes place in a spring semester, concurrent with Field Education 3.
- Students should take Liturgy and Music: Development and Theology in their first semester, while Anglican Liturgy and Music: Theology and Practice fits best with Field Education 5 toward the end of the program.
- Hebrew Bible and New Testament courses should be taken in sequence.
- Church History should be taken before Systematic Theology and Anglican and Episcopal History.
- Systematic Theology should be taken before Anglican Theology and Ethics.
- Students must complete a minimum of 24 credits before enrolling in Field Education 2.
- Reimagining Congregations in Mission should be taken before Organizational Systems, and both of these courses should be completed prior to your Congregational Leadership and Development elective, if possible.
- Clinical Pastoral Education (CPE) units should be completed prior to enrolling in Pastoral Theology. Students will benefit most from their experience when taking Pastoral Theology and Field Education 4 in the same semester.
- Students are advised to take Constitutions and Canons in their final year before their General Ordination Exams (GOEs).
- General electives may be taken at any time after the first year of studies.

Advisement

Every fall and spring semester, students meet with their faculty advisors during a designated advising period to review degree progress and select courses for the upcoming terms. Required courses normally will be scheduled in the same semesters in each year of a three-year cycle, beginning in 2019-2020. In the event that adjustments need to be made, students will be notified well in advance. On occasion a course may be cancelled or moved for unexpected reasons. In that event, accommodations will be made to ensure that student progress toward graduation will not be delayed.

Clinical Pastoral Education (CPE)

Students beginning the program in 2019 or later must complete a unit of (CPE) through an ACPE-accredited program. One unit of CPE is required (400 hrs; 300 hrs. clinical experience + 100 hrs. instruction). While the length of CPE programs will vary from place to place, they most typically run for an extended period of approximately 14 weeks in the fall (August - December) or spring (January-May); or for approximately 12 weeks as summer intensives (late May or early June through August). Some programs may be more extended and run over the course of two semesters. Seminary of the Southwest offers a program that is partially online.

CPE appears in each of the pathways in places that will give you a balanced course load in year 2. However, you will need to make the choice of taking CPE as an extended or intensive program depending on the programs available to you in your local area and on the time you have available to commit to CPE in a given semester. It is not advisable to take any electives while you are taking an intensive summer CPE unit. You will need to manage your credit load carefully and plan well in advance.

Illustration: The three-year pathway places CPE in the spring semester with two electives in the summer. The credit load is fall (9 cr.), January (3 cr.), spring (12 cr.) and summer (6 cr.). If CPE is taken in the summer, the electives would have to be moved. If one elective is added to fall and one to spring, the credit load would be fall (12 cr.), January (3 cr.), spring (12 cr.), summer (3 cr.).

The CPE requirement may be waived for students who demonstrate satisfactory completion of one unit of an ACPE-accredited CPE program within five years prior to admission to the BSSF MDiv program.

Anglican Formation

Formation for ministry is an integral component of the MDiv program as a whole, therefore MDiv students will enroll in Anglican Formation every fall and spring semester throughout the program. The formation class is designed to facilitate spiritual growth, to help students live into their ministerial identities, and to provide space for cultivating the learning community. Community making is especially important in a distributed learning program such as the Bexley Seabury MDiv. The zero-credit course consists of an on-site retreat at the beginning of each semester, followed by monthly synchronous sessions online throughout the rest of the term.

Course Scheduling

Students are strongly encouraged to follow these pathways as closely as possible. Like GPS, the pathways offer the most efficient route to the destination of graduation. Students may need to deviate from the suggested pathways in some particulars. While this certainly is possible, students should keep in mind that side trips may increase the length of time to program completion and may lead to course scheduling conflicts or the unavailability of a course when you need it. *Advisors must be consulted regarding any deviation from the pathways.*

Keys to Reading the Pathways

- All courses are three credits, unless otherwise indicated.
- “Intensive courses” refers to the week-long onsite courses in January or June, which may include some online work or project completion before and after the week-long session. Some summer courses could run for fewer than five days.
- Hybrid courses combine online work throughout the semester with one, two, or three sessions on site (normally Friday-Saturday).
- Online courses include online work and synchronous sessions throughout the semester, but do not require students to be on site.
- Field Education courses include synchronous online sessions in addition to work at the student’s site placement.
- Semesters
 - Fall: early September through early December
 - January: month of January, though assignments may be due into February
 - Spring: early February through early May
 - Summer: first Monday in June to mid-July

Three-year Pathway to the M.Div.

Year One – 24 credits

- Fall:* ML 301 Anglican Liturgy and Music: Development and Theology (Hybrid)
RH 301 RH 301 Interpreting the Hebrew Bible 1 (Online)
HT 310 Church History (Online)
- January:* ML 332 Art of Preaching (Intensive)
- Spring:* HT 320 Anglican and Episcopal History (Hybrid)
RH 302 Interpreting the Hebrew Bible 2 (Online)
HT 341 Systematic Theology (Online)
ML320 Field Education 1 (Online, 0 credits)
- Summer:* ML 561 Reimagining Congregations in Mission (Intensive)

Year Two – 30 credits

- Fall:* CC 321 Reading Across Religious Divides: Introduction to Scriptural Reasoning (Hybrid)
RH 321 Interpreting the Gospels (Online)
ML 321 Field Education 2 (Online, 3 credits)
- January:* ML 560 Organizational Systems (Intensive)
- Spring:* PSF 302 Anglican Spirituality and Ethos (Hybrid)
RH 325 Interpreting the Epistles (Online)
CPE (through an ACPE-accredited program)*
ML 322 Field Education 3 (Online, 3 credits)
- Summer:* CC 450 Learning from London (Intensive in London, England) or Cross-Cultural Elective

Year Three – 27 credits

- Fall:* HT 340 Anglican Theology and Ethics (Hybrid)
ML 336 Pastoral Theology (Hybrid)
ML 335 Constitutions and Canons (Online, 1 credit)
ML 323 Field Education 4 (Online, 1 credit)
- January:* Congregational Leadership and Development Elective (Intensive)
Elective 3
- Spring:* ML 302 Anglican Liturgy and Music: Theology and Practice (Hybrid)
Elective 4
Elective 5
ML 324 Field Education 5 (Online, 1 credit)

Three-Year Pathway				
	Fall	January	Spring	Summer
Year One	ML 301 Anglican Liturgy and Music: Development and Theology (Hybrid) HT 310 Church History (Online) RH 301 Interpreting the Hebrew Bible 1 (Online)	ML 332 Art of Preaching (Intensive)	HT 320 Anglican and Episcopal History (Hybrid) HT 341 Systematic Theology (Online) RH 302 Interpreting the Hebrew Bible 2 (Online) ML320 Field Education 1 (Online, 0 credits)	ML 561 Reimagining Congregations in Mission (Intensive)
	9 credits	3 credits	9 credits	3 credits
Year Two	CC 321 Reading Across Religious Divides: Introduction to Scriptural Reasoning (Hybrid) RH 321 Interpreting the Gospels (Online) ML321 Field Education 2 (Online, 3 credits)	ML 560 Organizational Systems (Intensive)	PSF 302 Anglican Spirituality and Ethos (Hybrid) RH 325 Interpreting the Epistles (Online) CPE (through an ACPE-accredited program)* ML322 Field Education 3 (Online, 3 credits)	Elective 1 Elective 2
	9 credits	3 credits	12 credits	6 credits
Year Three	HT 340 Anglican Theology and Ethics (Hybrid) ML 336 Pastoral Theology (Hybrid) ML 335 Constitutions & Canons (Online, 1 credit) ML323 Field Education 4 (Online, 1 credit)	CC 450 Learning from London (Intensive in London, England) or Cross-Cultural Elective Elective 3	ML 302 Anglican Liturgy and Music: Theology and Practice (Hybrid) Elective 4 Elective 5 ML324 Field Education 5 (Online, 1 credit)	Congregational Leadership and Development Elective (Intensive)
	8 credits	6 credits	10 credits	3 credits

*As an alternative, CPE may also be taken in the summer of year two, in which case Elective 1 and 2 will move to other semesters. This will raise the fall and spring course load to 12 credits each or require two intensive courses in January and 12 credits in either fall or spring.

Four-year Pathway to the M.Div.

Year One – 21 credits

- Fall:* ML 301 Anglican Liturgy and Music: Development and Theology (Hybrid)
HT 310 Church History (Online)
RH 301 Interpreting the Hebrew Bible 1 (Online)
- January:* ML 332 Art of Preaching (Intensive)
- Spring:* HT 341 Systematic Theology (Online)
RH 302 Interpreting the Hebrew Bible 2 (Online)
ML320 Field Education 1 (Online, 0 credits)
- Summer:* ML 561 Reimagining Congregations in Mission (Intensive)

Year Two – 21 credits

- Fall:* CC 321 Reading Across Religious Divides: Introduction to Scriptural Reasoning (Hybrid)
RH 321 Interpreting the Gospels (Online)
ML 321 Field Education 2 (Online, 3 credits)
- Spring:* HT 320 Anglican and Episcopal History (Hybrid)
RH 325 Interpreting the Epistles (Online)
ML 322 Field Education 3 (Online, 3 credits)
- Summer:* CPE (through an ACPE-accredited program)

Year Three – 23 credits

- Fall:* ML 336 Pastoral Theology (Hybrid)
Elective 2
ML 323 Field Education 4 (Online, 1 credit)
- January:* ML 560 Organizational Systems (Intensive)
- Spring:* ML 302 Anglican Liturgy and Music: Theology and Practice (Hybrid)
Elective 2
Elective 3
ML 324 Field Education 5 (Online, 1 credit)
- Summer:* Congregational Leadership and Development Elective (Intensive)

Year Four – 16 credits

- Fall:* HT 340 Anglican Theology and Ethics (Hybrid)
ML 335 Constitutions and Canons (Online, 1 credit)
Elective 4
- January:* CC 450 Learning from London (Intensive in London, England) or Cross-Cultural Elective
- Spring:* PSF 302 Anglican Spirituality and Ethos (Hybrid)
Elective 5

Four-Year Pathway				
	Fall	January	Spring	Summer
Year One	ML 301 Anglican Liturgy and Music: Development and Theology (Hybrid) HT 310 Church History (Online) RH 301 Interpreting the Hebrew Bible 1 (Online)	ML 332 Art of Preaching (Intensive)	HT 341 Systematic Theology (Online) RH 302 Interpreting the Hebrew Bible 2 (Online) ML320 Field Education 1 (Online, 0 credits)	ML 561 Reimagining Congregations in Mission (Intensive)
	9 credits	3 credits	6 credits	3 credits
Year Two	CC 321 Reading Across Religious Divides: Introduction to Scriptural Reasoning (Hybrid) RH 321 Interpreting the Gospels (Online) ML321 Field Education 2 (Online, 3 credits)		HT 320 Anglican and Episcopal History (Hybrid) RH 325 Interpreting the Epistles (Online) ML322 Field Education 3 (Online, 3 credits)	CPE (through an ACPE-accredited program)
	9 credits		9 credits	3 credits
Year Three	ML 336 Pastoral Theology (Hybrid) Elective 1 ML323 Field Education 4 (Online, 1 credit)	ML 560 Organizational Systems (Intensive)	ML 302 Anglican Liturgy and Music: Theology and Practice (Hybrid) Elective 2 Elective 3 ML324 Field Education 5 (Online, 1 credit)	Congregational Leadership and Development Elective (Intensive)
	7 credits	3 credits	10 credits	3 credits
	HT 340 Anglican Theology and Ethics (Hybrid) ML 335 Constitutions & Canons (Online, 1 credit) Elective 4	CC 450 Learning from London (Intensive in London, England) or Cross-Cultural Elective	PSF 302 Anglican Spirituality and Ethos (Hybrid) Elective 5	
	7 credits	3 credits	6 credits	

Five-year Pathway to the M.Div.

Year One – 15 credits

- Fall:* ML 301 Anglican Liturgy and Music: Development and Theology (Hybrid)
HT 310 Church History (Online)
- January:* ML 332 Art of Preaching (Intensive)
- Spring:* HT 341 Systematic Theology (Online)
- Summer:* ML 561 Reimagining Congregations in Mission (Intensive)

Year Two – 15 credits

- Fall:* CC 321 Reading Across Religious Divides: Introduction to Scriptural Reasoning (Hybrid)
RH 301 Interpreting the Hebrew Bible 1 (Online)
- January:* Elective 1
- Spring:* RH 302 Interpreting the Hebrew Bible 2 (Online)
ML320 Field Education 1 (Online, 0 credits)
- Summer:* CPE (through an ACPE-accredited program)

Year Three – 18 credits

- Fall:* RH 321 Interpreting the Gospels (Online)
ML 321 Field Education 2 (Online, 3 credits)
- January:* ML 560 Organizational Systems (Intensive)
- Spring:* HT 320 Anglican and Episcopal History (Hybrid)
ML 322 Field Education 3 (Online, 3 credits)
- Summer:* Elective 2

Year Four – 17 credits

- Fall:* ML 336 Pastoral Theology (Hybrid)
ML 323 Field Education 4 (Online, 1 credit)
- January:* CC 450 Learning from London (Intensive in London, England) or Cross-Cultural Elective
- Spring:* ML 302 Anglican Liturgy and Music: Theology and Practice (Hybrid)
RH 325 Interpreting the Epistles (Online)
ML 324 Field Education 5 (Online, 1 credit)
- Summer:* Elective 3

Year Five – 16 credits

- Fall:* HT 340 Anglican Theology and Ethics (Hybrid)
ML 335 Constitutions and Canons (Online, 1 credit)
Elective 4
- January:* Congregational Leadership and Development Elective (Intensive)
- Spring:* PSF 302 Anglican Spirituality and Ethos (Hybrid)
Elective 5

Five-Year Pathway				
	Fall	January	Spring	Summer
Year One	ML 301 Anglican Liturgy and Music: Development and Theology (Hybrid) HT 310 Church History (Online)	ML 332 Art of Preaching (Intensive)	HT 341 Systematic Theology (Online)	ML 561 Reimagining Congregations in Mission (Intensive)
	6 credits	3 credits	3 credits	3 credits
Year Two	CC 321 Reading Across Religious Divides: Introduction to Scriptural Reasoning (Hybrid) RH 301 Interpreting the Hebrew Bible 1 (Online)	Elective 1	RH 302 Interpreting the Hebrew Bible 2 (Online) ML320 Field Education 1 (Online, 0 credits)	CPE (through an ACPE-accredited program)
	6 credits	3 credits	3 credits	3 credits
Year Three	RH 321 Interpreting the Gospels (Online) ML321 Field Education 2 (Online, 3 credits)	ML 560 Organizational Systems (Intensive)	HT 320 Anglican and Episcopal History (Hybrid) ML 322 Field Education 3 (Online, 3 credits)	Elective 2
	6 credits	3 credits	6 credits	3 credits
Year Four	ML 336 Pastoral Theology (Hybrid) ML 323 Field Education 4 (Online, 1 credit)	CC 450 Learning from London (Intensive in London, England) or Cross-Cultural Elective	ML 302 Anglican Liturgy and Music: Theology and Practice (Hybrid) RH 325 Interpreting the Epistles (Online) ML 324 Field Education 5 (Online, 1 credit)	Elective 3
	4 credits	3 credits	7 credits	3 credits
Year 5	HT 340 Anglican Theology and Ethics (Hybrid) ML 335 Constitutions & Canons (Online, 1 credit) Elective 4	Congregational Leadership and Development Elective (Intensive)	PSF 302 Anglican Spirituality and Ethos (Hybrid) Elective 5	
	7 credits	3 credits	6 credits	

Six-year Pathway to the M.Div.

Year One – 12 credits

Fall: ML 301 Anglican Liturgy and Music: Development and Theology (Hybrid)
HT 310 Church History (Online)

January: ML 332 Art of Preaching (Intensive)

Spring: HT 341 Systematic Theology (Online)

Year Two – 12 credits

Fall: RH 301 Interpreting the Hebrew Bible 1 (Online)
Elective 1

Spring: RH 302 Interpreting the Hebrew Bible 2 (Online)
ML320 Field Education 1 (Online, 0 credits)

Summer: CPE (through an ACPE-accredited program)

Year Three – 15 credits

Fall: RH 321 Interpreting the Gospels (Online)
ML 321 Field Education 2 (Online, 3 credits)

Spring: HT 320 Anglican and Episcopal History (Hybrid)
ML 322 Field Education 3 (Online, 3 credits)

Summer: ML 561 Reimagining Congregations in Mission (Intensive)

Year Four – 14 credits

Fall: ML 336 Pastoral Theology (Hybrid)
ML 323 Field Education 4 (Online, 1 credit)

January: ML 560 Organizational Systems (Intensive)

Spring: ML 302 Anglican Liturgy and Music: Theology and Practice (Hybrid)
RH 325 Interpreting the Epistles (Online)
ML 324 Field Education 5 (Online, 1 credit)

Year Five – 15 credits

Fall: CC 321 Reading Across Religious Divides: Introduction to Scriptural Reasoning (Hybrid)
Elective 2

January: Congregational Leadership and Development Elective (Intensive)

Spring: Elective 3

Summer: CC 450 Learning from London (Intensive in London, England) or Cross-Cultural Elective

Year Six – 13 credits

Fall: HT 340 Anglican Theology and Ethics (Hybrid)
ML 335 Constitutions and Canons (Online, 1 credit)

January: Elective 4

Spring: PSF 302 Anglican Spirituality and Ethos (Hybrid)
Elective 5

Six-Year Pathway				
	Fall	January	Spring	Summer
Year One	ML 301 Anglican Liturgy and Music: Development and Theology (Hybrid) HT 310 Church History (Online)	ML 332 Art of Preaching (Intensive)	HT 341 Systematic Theology (Online)	
	6 credits	3 credits	3 credits	
Year Two	RH 301 Interpreting the Hebrew Bible 1 (Online) Elective 1		RH 302 Interpreting the Hebrew Bible 2 (Online) ML320 Field Education 1 (Online, 0 credits)	CPE (through an ACPE-accredited program)
	6 credits		3 credits	3 credits
Year Three	RH 321 Interpreting the Gospels (Online) ML321 Field Education 2 (Online, 3 credits)		HT 320 Anglican and Episcopal History (Hybrid) ML 322 Field Education 3 (Online, 3 credits)	ML 561 Reimagining Congregations in Mission (Intensive)
	6 credits		6 credits	3 credits
Year Four	ML 336 Pastoral Theology (Hybrid) ML323 Field Education 4 (Online, 1 credit)	ML 560 Organizational Systems (Intensive)	ML 302 Anglican Liturgy and Music: Theology and Practice (Hybrid) RH 325 Interpreting the Epistles (Online) ML324 Field Education 5 (Online, 1 credit)	
	4 credits	3 credits	7 credits	
Year Five	CC 321 Reading Across Religious Divides: Intro to Scriptural Reasoning (Hybrid) Elective 2	Congregational Leadership and Development Elective (Intensive)	Elective 3	CC 450 Learning from London (Intensive in London, England) or Cross-Cultural Elective
	6 credits	3 credits	3 credits	3 credits
Year Six	HT 340 Anglican Theology and Ethics (Hybrid) ML 335 Constitutions & Canons (Online, 1 credit)	Elective 4	PSF 302 Anglican Spirituality and Ethos (Hybrid) Elective 5	
	4 credits	3 credits	6 credits	