

“In the same way, the Spirit helps us in our weakness. For we do not know how we ought to pray, but the Spirit Himself intercedes for us with groans too deep for words.”

Romans 8:26

ACADEMIC ADVISING NEWSLETTER

FALL 2023

AAO is excited to introduce to you a new platform that will allow us to better connect with you!

Do you ever have questions about your degree progress and want to just set aside a time to get those questions answered? Calendly allows you, the student, to schedule an appointment with our academic advisors in a quick and easy way.

Simply click the provided Calendly link at any time, and you will have access to the AAO calendar. Then, select a time slot that best accommodates your schedule. After entering basic contact information and a brief description of what you hope to accomplish in our meeting, you will be ready for advisement! You can schedule an appointment as soon as a day in advance or as far into the future as you wish. If you are worried about forgetting our meeting, do not fret! Calendly will send a reminder to you to ensure we don't miss out on the opportunity.

Craving face-to-face interaction? Needing to share your screen with an advisor to walk through MyPath together? While scheduling your appointment, select Microsoft Teams- a video conferencing platform provided through your Luther Rice account- as the location for our meeting, and we would be happy to attach faces to our names.

With this information in mind, there is only one thing left to do- schedule your appointment today!

We look forward to meeting you.

Sincerely,

<https://calendly.com/jake-mcmillian/advising-appointment>
https://calendly.com/margie_miller

Fall Course Schedule Planner is Available. Make plans to attend the Fall 2023 Fall Semester.

The Course Schedule Planner is now available:

<https://www.lutherrice.edu/degree-programs/course-schedule-planner.cms>

ONLINE SYLLABI AVAILABLE FOR ALL COURSES!

Online course syllabi available online for students to preview before enrolling in Classes!

The syllabi outline all vital information in one place:

- Course Description
- Course Rationale
- Learning Outcomes
- Textbooks
- Course Requirements
- Schedule
- Grading Scale
- Reading Materials
- Institutional & Course Policies

To access the Online Course Syllabi:

- Log into MyCampus
- Click Academics
- Click Course Syllabi
- Browse Syllabi

Now you will have an idea of what to expect from a class before enrolling.

The Online Course Syllabus is subject to change.

Looking to Launch Your Career? Try College Central

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What is College Central?

College Central is your gateway to a career advancement network that provides leading-edge technology for connecting employers with qualified emerging talent, quickly & easily.

Who is it for?

College Central is free for any student enrolled at a U.S. college; alumnus/a of a U.S. college; or student attending one of our partner high schools.

Why College Central?

College Central is committed to help reach your career goals. It's easy to use & miobile-friendly. You can search, save & instantly apply to opportunities that match your skills & interests.

Getting started is easy!

Go to www.collegecentral.com. To register, complete the following steps:

1. On the top row, click on the category that applies to you (i.e. Employer, Alumni, Student)
2. Click "Create Account" on the bottom of the page
3. Create a Username & Password
4. Complete the registration information & click "Submit Information"

Once your account has been created, you will be able to review submitted job openings.

Easy as 1-2-3!

Job seekers, add the College Central App to your tablet or smartphone home screen:

1. Go to collegecentral.com/app
2. Tap  (iPad/iPhone) or  (android)
3. Tap the "Add to Home Screen"



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Available Degree Programs

Take advantage of our 100% online degree programs (no residency required) or a combination of both online and on-campus classes offered in Metro Atlanta.

CERTIFICATE PROGRAMS

Undergraduate Certificates:

- Apologetics
- Biblical Counseling
- Biblical Studies
- Pastoral Ministry
- Theology

Graduate Certificates:

- Apologetics
- Biblical Counseling
- Biblical Studies
- Organizational Leadership
- Pastoral Ministry
- Theology
- Biblical Greek
- Biblical Hebrew

Not-For-Credit:

- Apologetics
- Biblical Studies
- Theology

UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAMS

- Bachelor of Arts in Religion, Minor in Biblical Counseling
- Bachelor of Arts in Religion, Minor in Christian Worldview
- Bachelor of Arts in Religion, Minor in Ministry

Undergraduate Ministry in the Market Place

- Bachelor of Arts in Psychology, Minor in Biblical Counseling

GRADUATE DEGREE PROGRAMS

- Master of Arts in Apologetics
- Master of Arts in Biblical Counseling
- Master of Arts in Christian Studies
- Master of Arts in Leadership
- Master of Arts in Ministry

MASTER OF DIVINITY

- Master of Divinity (81-hour programs)
- Master of Divinity (90-hour programs)

DOCTORAL PROGRAMS

- MA to DMIN Bridge
- Doctor of Ministry (D.Min.)
- Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) in Christian Scripture
- Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) in Organizational Leadership

PASTOR BOOTCAMP

- Undergraduate Pastor Bootcamp
- Graduate Pastor Bootcamp

Please visit Luther Rice College & Seminary link to view all degree programs at:
<https://www.lutherrice.edu/degree-programs/all-degree-programs.cms>



Doctor of Philosophy in Christian Scripture

PURPOSE

The Luther Rice Doctor of Philosophy in Christian Scripture (Ph.D.) is one of the most efficient (in terms of credit hours) and affordable Ph.D. in Christian Scripture programs of its kind in the nation. Most importantly, you can trust Luther Rice and our commitment to the inspired, inerrant, and authoritative Word of God.

The program is designed to train students in the rigor and skills necessary to become competent scholars in the areas of the Old Testament, New Testament, and Biblical Theology. The program is structured to equip an individual with the highest levels of scholarship and performance in a broad range of contexts including but not limited to pastoral ministry, teaching, research, and writing.

- The program may be completed 100% online with both asynchronous and synchronous elements or in combination with on-campus classes.

This interdisciplinary program provides students with opportunities to engage in scholarship, to conduct research, and to develop professional competencies related to:

- Scholarly enhancement of pastoral ministries
- Ability to perform high level research and writing
- Ability to engage the Christian Scripture and its significance for culture
- Development of research and critical thinking skills necessary in any setting

Students will acquire the skills necessary to be better readers and teachers of the Christian Scripture. These skills include advanced exegetical skills related to the Hebrew and Greek canons of both the Old and New Testaments and an emphasis on methodologies related to biblical interpretation and biblical theology. These elements are meant to introduce the individual to the variety of approaches of moving from exegesis to theology.

QUICK FACTS

- Accredited with SACSCOC, TRACS, and ABHE
- 58-hour doctoral degree program
- Tuition is \$450 per credit hour
- The degree can be completed 100% online or in combination with on-campus classes
- Currently 1 core course requires a one-week-long module (attend online via Zoom or on-campus)
- 97% of graduates reported that a Luther Rice education improved the quality of their ministry experience

For more information, please click the link below:
<https://www.lutherrice.edu/degree-programs/phd%20in%20christian%20scriptures.cms>



Doctor of Philosophy in Organizational Leadership

PURPOSE

The Doctor of Philosophy in Organizational Leadership (Ph.D.) has been developed to prepare followers of Christ for active participation across a wide range of professions including business, ministry, government, and education. The degree can be completed 100% online or in combination with on-campus classes.

Working individuals will be prepared in this program to identify and understand the opportunities and complexities of leading with the purpose of creating transformative organizations and communities from a Christian perspective. Emphasizing the role of followers within the leadership process brings a unique perspective to the program. Students will be prepared to lead with a focus on the following:

- Leadership philosophy and practice
- Analyzing organizational change and culture
- Team performance and engagement
- Human Services
- Coaching and Teaching
- Conducting field/social research

QUICK FACTS

- Accredited with SACSCOC, TRACS, and ABHE
- 48-hour doctoral degree program
- 97% of graduates reported that a Luther Rice education improved the quality of their ministry experience
- The degree can be completed 100% online
- 2 core courses require one-week-long modules (attend online via Zoom or on-campus)
- Tuition is \$615 per credit hour

For more information, please click the link below:

<https://www.lutherrice.edu/degree-programs/phd%20in%20organizational%20leadership.cms>

2024 GRADUATION

Graduation Application Available Online

August 4, 2023

Graduation Application Deadline

November 3, 2023

Late Graduation Application Deadline

February 2, 2024

Graduation Banquet

May 16, 2024

Commencement Exercises

May 17, 2024



Hey, everyone!

My name is **Jake McMillian**, and I am honored to serve you as an Academic Advisor here at Luther Rice!

I am originally from Eatonton, GA, a small, dairy farming town located about an hour and a half east of Atlanta. My history with Luther Rice began at an early age; my father, a pastor at Crossroads Baptist Church in Eatonton, received both a bachelor's degree and an M.Div. here, and he is currently in the process of completing his doctoral thesis as a DMIN student. Even as a child, I recognized a couple of things about LRCS that made this institution a special place for my family: devotion to the inerrancy of Scripture, commitment to practical ministry preparation, and intentionality in cultivating relationships. Our family continues to be richly blessed by our investment in Luther Rice as well as its investment in us. My mother recently graduated with an M.A. in Biblical Counseling, and my brother is starting a B.A. in Religion this summer!

Around midnight of January 5, 2013, Jesus Christ saved me from my sin. As a senior in high school, I first started to seek the Lord's will for my life. Believing that the Lord had not given me a firm calling to vocational ministry, I enrolled at the University of Georgia (Go Dawgs!) as a biology major, pre-med student, with the hopes of pursuing a career as a pediatrician. However, as a first-year student, I felt the Lord's call into ministry while sitting in a baptismal service at my college church, Prince Avenue Baptist.

Unsure of my next step, God once again used Luther Rice to minister to me. Dr. Ron Long, a former director of missions here at LRCS and a dear friend of our family, was living in his final days at that time as he awaited his upward call, but that did not stop him from speaking words of life into a scared, 19-year-old boy. More sure of my call than ever before, I stepped in obedience and surrendered my life to the ministry. I changed my major and graduated with a B.B.A. in Management from UGA in December of 2021.

Since 2020, I have served at Fusion Church in Madison, GA, as a youth minister and teaching pastor. In July of 2021, I married my college sweetheart and helpmate in the ministry, Carson, with whom I now live in Madison.

During the fall of 2022, I was presented with an opportunity to join the Luther Rice family full-time in my current role. Feeling led to continue my ministry journey in the academic sphere, I joined this team, and I am grateful to the Lord for His grace throughout this season. I have the privilege each and every day to be a small part of God's work in training men and women to rightly divide the Word of God for the salvation of sinners and the sanctification of the saints! It truly is a privilege to know and step alongside each of you in your educational journey.

My prayer for you is that the Lord will grow your affection for Him as he grows your understanding of Him here at Luther Rice, and that this two-fold growth would produce fruit that would serve to His glory!

And know that I am right there in the fight with you...I started a Master of Divinity in Biblical Languages this summer as well, and I'm going to need all the prayer I can get!

If you are ever in need of assistance, clarification, or encouragement, please reach out to me. I'll be happy to help!



2024 CALENDAR

July	1	2023-2024 Academic Year Begins
	4	Independence Day Holiday -- Offices Closed
	16	Last Day to Drop Summer Classes with "WP"
August	4	Graduation Application Available Online
	6	Luther Rice College & Seminary Preview Day
	13	Summer Semester Online Full-Term Classes End
	21-25	Doctoral Module: Doctor of Ministry (8/21-8/25)
	28-31	Doctoral Module: Doctor of Ministry (8/28-9/1)
September	1	Doctoral Module: Doctor of Ministry (8/28-9/1)
	4	Fall Semester Online Full-Term Classes Begin Late Registration for Full Term Classes (Late Fees Apply 9/4-9/10) Labor Day Holiday -- Offices Closed
	5	Fall Semester On-campus Classes Begin
	5-8	Doctoral Module: Ph.D. in Organizational Leadership (9/5-9/8)
	10	Last Day to Drop Full Term Classes with "WD"
	11-15	Doctoral Module: Ph.D. in Christian Scripture (9/11-9/15)
October	23	Fall Semester Online Mini-Term II Classes Begin
	29	Last Day to Drop Mini-Term II Classes with "WD"
November	3	Graduation Application Deadline for May 2024
	17	Last Day to Drop Fall Classes with "WP"
	22-24	Thanksgiving Holidays - Offices Closed
December	14	Fall Semester On-campus Classes End
	17	Fall Semester Online Full-term & Mini-Term II Classes End
	21-27	Christmas Holidays --- Offices Closed

Master of Arts to Doctor of Ministry Bridge

Have a Master of Arts Degree and want to pursue a Doctor of Ministry? The new Luther Rice Master of Arts bridge gives you the opportunity. A total of 54 credit hours of approved master's level work will make you eligible for acceptance into the Doctor of Ministry program. Just complete the difference of 54 credit hours and the number of hours you completed in your Master of Arts degree*

For example, an applicant with a 36-hour Master of Arts degree in Bible/Theology/Ministry related fields will need to complete an additional 18 credit hours of master's level preparatory coursework at Luther Rice prior to consideration for the Doctor of Ministry.

**Master's Degrees in Bible/Theology/Ministry related fields are eligible for the bridge to 54 hours. Students with a Master's Degree in a non-Bible/Theology/Ministry related field can still shorten their path to the Doctor of Ministry by completing a 36-hour Master of Arts in Ministry at Luther Rice. To discuss your particular situation, please contact Admissions@LutherRice.edu or 770-484-1204 x 5758.*