

EVANGELISM AND LEADERSHIP, M.A.

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Our mission for this degree track is to develop people for effective work in evangelism that is informed by critical engagement with the nature of the gospel, Christian life and thought, and the cultures of the contemporary world. The Great Commission is a call for all followers of Christ to be engaged in the process of leading people to a relationship with Christ and nurturing them in discipleship and Christian growth. This can only be done through the power of the Holy Spirit and sensitive engagement with contemporary cultural, philosophical, historical, contextual, and lifestyle realities.

The Master of Arts in Evangelism and Leadership at Wheaton College will equip students to think critically and act creatively to communicate the gospel and lead the change that's needed in our contemporary, multi-ethnic world.

Admissions

Admission to the Evangelism & Leadership graduate program is open both to those serving or preparing to work in both marketplace and ministry roles. Admission does not require a specific undergraduate major or a prescribed set of courses, but students are expected to have demonstrated leadership experience and possess proficiency in written and spoken English.

Requirements

The program leading to a Master of Arts in Evangelism and Leadership degree requires 40 hours of course work.

Standard Track

Code	Title	Credits
Biblical and Theological Studies Requirements		
EVAN 526	Gospel: Theological Perspectives on Evangelism and Renewal	4
BITH 565	Christian Theology	4
Additional Requirements		
BITH 533	Exploring the Old Testament	4
BITH 555	Exploring the New Testament	4
EVAN 534	Apologetics in Global Contexts	2
EVAN 542	Church: Movements & Models	4
EVAN 545	Culture: Emerging & Global	4
EVAN 559	Organizational and Change Leadership	4
MML 512	Leadership and Spiritual Formation	4
EVAN 573	Evangelism Research Methods	2
EVAN 692	Comprehensive Exam	0
Electives		
Select 4 credits		4
Total Credits		40

Fitting the professional nature of the degree, learning in many of the courses will be done through directed field work and other experiential methodologies. The degree must be completed within five years.

Residential Track

Students who wish to complete the Evangelism and Leadership degree in a residential format will complete 40 hours of coursework with accompanying weekly labs.

Code	Title	Credits
Biblical and Theological Studies Requirements		
BITH 565	Christian Theology	4
EVAN 526	Gospel: Theological Perspectives on Evangelism and Renewal	4
EVAN 526L	Gospel Lab	0
Additional Requirements		
BITH 533	Exploring the Old Testament	4
BITH 555	Exploring the New Testament	4
EVAN 534	Apologetics in Global Contexts	2
EVAN 534L	Apologetics in Global Contexts Lab	0
EVAN 542	Church: Movements & Models	4
EVAN 542L	Church: Models & Movements Lab	0
EVAN 545	Culture: Emerging & Global	4
EVAN 545L	Culture: Emerging & Global Lab	0
EVAN 559	Organizational and Change Leadership	4
MML 512	Leadership and Spiritual Formation	4
MML 512L	Leadership and Spiritual Formation Lab	0
EVAN 559L	Organizational and Change Leadership Lab	0
EVAN 573	Evangelism Research Methods	2
EVAN 573L	Evangelism Research Methods Lab	0
EVAN 692	Comprehensive Exam	0
Electives		
Select 4 credits		4
Total Credits		40

Arrow Leadership Partner Program

Students who have graduated from the Arrow Leadership Program prior to admission may choose to enter the Arrow Leadership Partner Program. Through an arrangement between Wheaton College and the Arrow Leadership Program, upon:

1. Successful completion of EVAN 542 Church: Movements & Models
2. Recommendation of the Program Coordinator based on a paper summarizing the relevance of their Arrow work to evangelism and leadership.

Qualified students are granted a total of 14 credits (10 credits for their Arrow Partnership work and 4 credits for EVAN 542) towards the completion of the M.A. in Evangelism and Leadership degree.

In order to receive the Masters in Evangelism and Leadership, students take 26 semester hours of additional courses, including:

Code	Title	Credits
Program Requirements		
EVAN 526	Gospel: Theological Perspectives on Evangelism and Renewal	4
EVAN 545	Culture: Emerging & Global	4
EVAN 559	Organizational and Change Leadership	4
EVAN 573	Evangelism Research Methods	2
EVAN 692	Comprehensive Exam	0

BITH 565	Christian Theology	4
BITH 533	Exploring the Old Testament	4
BITH 555	Exploring the New Testament	4
Total Credits		26

Students meet the graduate six-hour Biblical and Theological Studies requirement by taking BITH 565 and EVAN 526 .

Arrow Executive Stream Partner Program

Students who have graduated from the Arrow Executive Stream Program prior to admission may choose to enter the Arrow Executive Stream Partner Program. Through an arrangement between Wheaton College and the Arrow, upon:

1. Successful completion of EVAN 542 Church: Movements & Models and
2. The report of the Arrow President confirming successful completion of the Arrow Executive Stream work.

Qualified students are granted a total of 12 credits (8 credits for their Arrow Executive Stream work and 4 credits for EVAN 542) towards the completion of the M.A. in Evangelism and Leadership degree. The 8 semester hours awarded for their Arrow Executive Stream work will be MML 512 , EVAN 691 and EVAN 694 .

In order to receive the Masters in Evangelism and Leadership, students take 28 semester hours of additional courses, including:

Code	Title	Credits
Program Requirements		
EVAN 526	Gospel: Theological Perspectives on Evangelism and Renewal	4
EVAN 534	Apologetics in Global Contexts	2
EVAN 545	Culture: Emerging & Global	4
EVAN 559	Organizational and Change Leadership	4
EVAN 573	Evangelism Research Methods	2
EVAN 692	Comprehensive Exam	0
BITH 565	Christian Theology	4
BITH 533	Exploring the Old Testament	4
BITH 555	Exploring the New Testament	4
Total Credits		28

Students meet the graduate six-hour Biblical and Theological Studies requirement by taking BITH 565 and EVAN 526 .

NewThing Partner Program

Students who have completed the NewThing Residency program may choose to enter the NewThing Partner Program at Wheaton Graduate School. Through an arrangement between Wheaton College and NewThing, upon:

1. Successful completion of the NewThing Residency, as documented by report from the NewThing Director, and
2. Successful completion of EVAN 542 .

Qualified students are granted a total of 12 credits (8 credits for their NewThing work and 4 credits for EVAN 542) towards the completion of the M.A. in Evangelism and Leadership degree. The 8 credits awarded

for their NewThing work will be MISS 564 , MISS 565 , and 4 credits of electives.

In order to receive the Masters in Evangelism and Leadership, students take 28 semester hours of additional courses, including:

Code	Title	Credits
Program Requirements		
EVAN 526	Gospel: Theological Perspectives on Evangelism and Renewal	4
EVAN 534	Apologetics in Global Contexts	2
EVAN 545	Culture: Emerging & Global	4
EVAN 559	Organizational and Change Leadership	4
EVAN 573	Evangelism Research Methods	2
MML 512	Leadership and Spiritual Formation	4
EVAN 692	Comprehensive Exam	0
BITH 565	Christian Theology	4
Choose one:		
BITH 533	Exploring the Old Testament	4
or BITH 555	Exploring the New Testament	
Total Credits		28

Students meet the graduate six-hour Biblical and Theological Studies requirement by taking BITH 565 and EVAN 526 .

If students are part of a cohort of ten NewThing partner program students or more, they may be able to take some of their approved courses at a NewThing training site with Wheaton College approved faculty.

Orchard Network Partner Program

Students who have completed the Orchard Network training program may choose to enter the Orchard Network Partner Program at Wheaton Graduate School. Through an arrangement between Wheaton College and Orchard Network, upon:

1. Successful completion of the Orchard Network training program, as documented by report from the Orchard Network Director, and
2. Successful completion as a paying student of EVAN 542 Church: Movements & Models

Qualified students are granted a total of 16 credits (12 credits for their Orchard Network work and 4 credits for EVAN 542) towards the completion of the M.A. in Evangelism and Leadership degree. The 12 credits awarded for their Orchard Network work will be 4 credits of MML 512 , 4 credits of electives, and 4 credits of internship.

In order to receive the Masters in Evangelism and Leadership, students take 24 semester hours of additional courses, including:

Code	Title	Credits
Program Requirements		
EVAN 526	Gospel: Theological Perspectives on Evangelism and Renewal	4
EVAN 545	Culture: Emerging & Global	4
EVAN 559	Organizational and Change Leadership	4
EVAN 534	Apologetics in Global Contexts	2
EVAN 573	Evangelism Research Methods	2
EVAN 692	Comprehensive Exam	0

BITH 565	Christian Theology	4
Choose one:		
BITH 533	Exploring the Old Testament	4
or BITH 555	Exploring the New Testament	

Total Credits 24

Students meet the graduate six-hour Biblical and Theological Studies requirement by taking BITH 565 and EVAN 526 .

ReTrain Partner Program

Students who have completed the ReTrain training program may choose to enter the ReTrain Partner Program at Wheaton Graduate School. Through an arrangement between Wheaton College and the Episcopal Diocese of Florida, upon:

1. Receipt of a report from the Canon of Vocations confirming successful completion of their ReTrain course of study,
2. Attendance at a five-day capstone seminar, and
3. Successful completion as a paying student of EVAN 542 Church: Movements & Models

Qualified students are granted a total of 16 credits (12 credits for ReTrain work and 4 credits for EVAN 542) towards the completion of the M.A. in Evangelism and Leadership degree. The 12 credits awarded for their ReTrain work will be 4 credits of MML 512 , and 8 credits of internship.

In order to receive the Masters in Evangelism and Leadership, students take 24 semester hours of additional courses, including:

Code	Title	Credits
Program Requirements		
EVAN 526	Gospel: Theological Perspectives on Evangelism and Renewal	4
EVAN 545	Culture: Emerging & Global	4
EVAN 559	Organizational and Change Leadership	4
EVAN 534	Apologetics in Global Contexts	2
EVAN 573	Evangelism Research Methods	2
EVAN 692	Comprehensive Exam	0
BITH 565	Christian Theology	4
Choose one:		
BITH 533	Exploring the Old Testament	4
or BITH 555	Exploring the New Testament	

Total Credits 24

Students meet the graduate six-hour Biblical and Theological Studies requirement by taking BITH 565 and EVAN 526 .

African American Church Evangelism Institute Partner Program

Students who have completed or are currently enrolled in the African American Church Evangelism Institute (AACEI) cohort program may choose to enter the AACEI Partner Program at Wheaton Graduate School.

Through an arrangement between Wheaton College and the AACEI, qualified AACEI cohort participants (senior pastors and outreach leaders) who:

1. Successfully complete the AACEI cohort program and the additional AACEI partnership course work (including the zero-credit one week

EVAN 501 Advanced CEI seminar) as documented by a report from the AACEI Executive Director, and

2. Successfully complete the remaining degree requirements for the M.A. in Evangelism and Leadership,

will be granted a total of 10 credits of advanced standing (for their AACEI work) toward the completion of the M.A. in Evangelism and Leadership degree. The 10 credit hours awarded for their AACEI work will fulfill EVAN 542 Church: Movements & Models (4), EVAN 559 Organizational and Change Leadership (4), and two hours of electives through MIN 547 Preaching (2). This credit will be awarded upon the successful completion of EVAN 692 Comprehensive Exam (0).

In order to receive the Master's in Evangelism and Leadership, students take 30 credits of additional courses, including:

Code	Title	Credits
Biblical and Theological Studies Requirements		
EVAN 526	Gospel: Theological Perspectives on Evangelism and Renewal	4
BITH 565	Christian Theology	4
Additional Requirements		
BITH 533	Exploring the Old Testament	4
BITH 555	Exploring the New Testament	4
EVAN 534	Apologetics in Global Contexts	2
EVAN 545	Culture: Emerging & Global	4
EVAN 573	Evangelism Research Methods	2
MML 512	Leadership and Spiritual Formation	4
EVAN 692	Comprehensive Exam	0
Electives		
Select 2 credits		2
Total Credits		30

Students meet the graduate six-hour Biblical and Theological Studies requirement by taking BITH 565 and EVAN 526 .

Church Evangelism Institute Partner Program

Students who have completed the Church Evangelism Institute (CEI) cohort program may choose to enter the CEI Partner Program at Wheaton Graduate School.

Through an arrangement between Wheaton College and the CEI, qualified CEI cohort participants (senior pastors and outreach leaders) who:

1. Successfully complete the CEI cohort program and the additional CEI partnership course work (including the zero-credit one week EVAN 501 Advanced CEI seminar) as documented by a report from the CEI Executive Director, and
2. Successfully complete the remaining degree requirements for the M.A. in Evangelism and Leadership,

will be granted a total of 10 credits of advanced standing (for their CEI work) toward the completion of the M.A. in Evangelism and Leadership degree. The 10 credit hours awarded for their CEI work will fulfill EVAN 542 Church: Movements & Models (4), EVAN 559 Organizational and Change Leadership (4), and two hours of electives through MIN 547 Preaching (2). This credit will be awarded upon the successful completion of EVAN 692 Comprehensive Exam (0).

In order to receive the Master's in Evangelism and Leadership, students take 30 credits of additional courses, including:

Code	Title	Credits
Biblical and Theological Studies Requirements		
EVAN 526	Gospel: Theological Perspectives on Evangelism and Renewal	4
BITH 565	Christian Theology	4
Additional Requirements		
BITH 533	Exploring the Old Testament	4
BITH 555	Exploring the New Testament	4
EVAN 534	Apologetics in Global Contexts	2
EVAN 545	Culture: Emerging & Global	4
EVAN 573	Evangelism Research Methods	2
MML 512	Leadership and Spiritual Formation	4
EVAN 692	Comprehensive Exam	0
Electives		
Select 2 credits		2
Total Credits		30

Students meet the graduate six-hour Biblical and Theological Studies requirement by taking BITH 565 and EVAN 526 .