

## **Which Ministry/Missions vocation is God leading you toward?**

### **Recommendations for choosing a Christian Studies major at Ouachita Baptist University**

If you are interested in **Pastoral Ministry**, we suggest that you major in Christian Studies, with a double emphasis in Christian Ministry and either Biblical Studies or Theology. Be sure to take the Homiletics class. A helpful minor would be Business Administration, Speech Communication, or Mass Communications. Another strong option is to double major in Christian Studies (emphasis in Christian Ministry, Biblical Studies, or Theology) and Biblical Languages.

If you are interested in **Missions**, we suggest that you major in Christian Studies, with a double emphasis in Missions and either Biblical Studies, Theology, or Christian Ministries. A helpful minor would be Sociology, History, Business Administration, Speech Communication, or Mass Communications.

If you are interested in **Youth Ministry**, we recommend that you major in Christian Studies, with a double emphasis in Christian Ministry and either Biblical Studies or Theology. A helpful minor would be Recreation Ministry, Business Administration, Speech Communications, or Mass Communications. Consider taking Intro to Video Production as an elective. We encourage you to take the Homiletics class.

If you are interested in **Camp Recreation Ministry** or Church Recreation Ministry, we suggest that you major in Christian Studies, with an emphasis in Christian Ministry, and double minor in Recreation Ministry and Business Administration. Another good option is to double major in Christian Studies (Christian Ministry emphasis) and Kinesiology/Leisure Studies.

If you are interested in **Christian Counseling**, we suggest that you double major in Christian Studies (emphasis in Christian Ministry) and Psychology. Be sure to take the following classes: Christian Counseling, Issues in Christian Counseling, and Crisis Counseling.

If you feel that God is leading you into **Ministry of some kind, but you are uncertain** as to what, then major in Christian Studies and choose two emphases of your interest from Christian Ministry, Biblical Studies, Theology, Missions, or Philosophy.

If you are interested in being a **Worship Leader**, we suggest that you major in Worship Ministry here in the School of Christian Studies. Another option with a heavier music emphasis is the Bachelor of Music in Worship Arts in the School of Fine Arts.

If you are interested in being a **Church Media Director**, we suggest that you major in Church Media/Production Arts.

If you are interested in **communications or media for Christian organizations other than church**, we recommend that you double major in Christian Media/Communications and in Mass Communications (in the School of Humanities).

If you are interested in **Women's Ministry**, we recommend that you major in Christian Studies with a double emphasis in Christian Ministry and either Biblical Studies or Theology. Be sure to take the Women's Ministry class as well as the Discipleship in the Church class.

A new and rising vocation is **Ministry to Girls**. If the Lord is leading you into this field, we suggest you major in Christian Studies with an emphasis in Christian Ministry. Be sure to take Intro to Youth Student Ministry and Advanced Student Ministry. We also recommend taking Human Development from the Psychology Department. Helpful minors to choose from include Psychology, Sociology, and Education in the Christian School.

If you are interested in **Christian writing** or editing, we suggest that you double major in Christian Studies (emphasis in Biblical Studies, Theology, or Philosophy) and English. Be sure to take Christian Journalism (in Mass Comm) as an elective.

If you are interested in going to **Law School**, we recommend that you major in Philosophy. You can also double major in Philosophy and either Political Science, Psychology, History, English, or Speech Communication. Another good option is to major in Philosophy and minor in Business Administration.

If you are interested in **Christian Missions Aviation**, we recommend that you major in Christian Studies with an emphasis in Missions, while getting your pilot's license through the Aviation department at Henderson State University (adjacent to OBU).

If you are interested in **Christian Medical Missions (nursing)**, we recommend that you major in Christian Studies with an emphasis in Missions, and also complete the Pre-Nursing Program in the School of Natural Sciences. Another good option is to double major in Christian Studies (emphasis in Missions) and Biology (BA) while also completing the Pre-Nursing Program.

If you are interested in **Christian Medical Missions (MD)**, we recommend that you double major in the Natural Sciences, following the recommendations of the School of Natural Sciences. Try to take as many electives in Christian Studies (Missions especially) as you can.

If you are interested in **Christian Higher Education**, we suggest that you major in Christian Studies with a double emphasis in two of the following: Biblical Studies, Theology, Philosophy. Another good option is to double major in Christian Studies (emphasis in either Biblical Studies, Theology, or Philosophy) and Biblical Languages.

If you are interested in **Hospital Chaplaincy**, we recommend that you major in Christian Studies with a double emphasis in Christian Ministry and either Biblical Studies, Theology, or Philosophy. Be sure to take the 6 hour Hospital Chaplain Internship class. Another good option is to double major in Christian Studies (Christian Ministry emphasis) and either Sociology, Psychology, or Speech Communications.

If you are interested in **Christian Education**, we suggest that you major in Christian Studies, with a double emphasis in Christian Ministry and either Biblical Studies or Theology, and with a minor in Education in the Christian School. Note that if you are interested in teaching in a private Christian K-12 school, then it is best to major in the School of Education.