

## Mount Vernon Nazarene University

### A reputation as a top school

- Nationally ranked by *U.S. News & World Report* in the Top 50 Best in the Midwest (Bachelor's - Comprehensive) and designated by *The Princeton Review* as a Best Midwestern College.
- Graduates are effectively ministering in their churches and their communities.

### Highly professional programs

- Provides relevant and immediate application to ministry.
- Defined by pastors for pastors.
- Faculty members provide insight from extensive experience in full-time ministry.
- Students support each other academically and personally, and often form strong networking relationships lasting beyond graduation.

### A commitment to help students reach higher

- Designed to take ministry skills to a higher level.
- MVNU's foundation rests on biblical ethics and values with courses guided by a Christian worldview.

### MVNU Mission Statement

Mount Vernon Nazarene University exists to shape lives through educating the whole person and cultivating Christ-likeness for lifelong learning and service.

Established in 1968, MVNU is an intentionally Christian teaching university for traditional age students, graduate students, and working adults who seek opportunities to learn and grow in an academic community of faith. Building upon the strong foundation of its main campus in Mount Vernon, Ohio, the University provides innovative graduate and undergraduate programs for working adults at convenient locations throughout Ohio: Cincinnati, Columbus, Gahanna, Grove City, Lima, Mansfield, Marion, Mount Vernon, and Newark.

CALL 1-800-839-2355

OR VISIT US ONLINE AT [WWW.MVNU.EDU/AGS](http://WWW.MVNU.EDU/AGS)

#### *Cincinnati*

11260 Chester Road,  
Suite 800  
Cincinnati, OH 45246  
1-800-839-2355 ext. 6400  
[www.mvnu.edu/cincinnati](http://www.mvnu.edu/cincinnati)

#### *Grove City*

Grove City Christian School  
4770 Hoover Road  
Grove City, OH 43123  
1-800-839-2355 ext. 6300  
[www.mvnu.edu/grovecity](http://www.mvnu.edu/grovecity)

#### *Lima*

205 West Market Street,  
Suite 300  
Lima, OH 45801  
1-800-839-2355 ext. 6250  
[www.mvnu.edu/lima](http://www.mvnu.edu/lima)

#### *Mount Vernon Campus*

800 Martinsburg Road  
Mount Vernon, OH 43050  
1-800-839-2355 ext. 4700  
[www.mvnu.edu/mountvernon](http://www.mvnu.edu/mountvernon)



1-800-839-2355  
[www.mvnu.edu/ags](http://www.mvnu.edu/ags)

School of Theology and Philosophy

JOIN THE THOUSANDS OF MVNU  
ADULT AND GRADUATE STUDENTS  
WHO ASPIRE FOR SOMETHING MORE.

**MOUNT VERNON**  
NAZARENE UNIVERSITY  
*Life Changing*

ADULT AND GRADUATE STUDIES

A call to serve is a call to prepare for ministry in a variety of ways. The mission of the School of Theology and Philosophy is to:

- Guide students in defining and understanding the reality and the implications of God's call upon their lives,
- Challenge students toward a global mission and servant's heart, and
- Enable students to serve by providing practical experiences.

Become empowered by the Holy Spirit and grow spiritually as you fulfill this calling.

#### *Master of Ministry - Module-based*

Through the module-based Master of Ministry program, offered at the main campus in Mount Vernon, you'll strengthen your ministerial abilities and be challenged to effectively relate to people in today's complex society. Combine this with a convenient program structure that allows you to earn your degree at your own pace, and you can achieve something more for your life, your ministry, and your church. Most importantly, you can **more effectively serve the Lord**.

Designed for working adults:

- Completed in 2-6 years.
- Earn 30 credits.
- Courses are offered 5-6 times a year.
- Students attend one-week intensive classes.

Coursework includes:

- Theology
- Biblical Studies
- Preaching and Worship
- Personal Growth
- Leadership
- Ministry

#### *Master of Ministry - Church-based*

MVNU has developed this unique church-based Master of Ministry program for young graduates and those with a flexible schedule. It combines the academic experience with a practical experience, pairing students with one of 5 large teaching churches where they can learn how the church functions by participating in the process.

Students are immersed in an Ohio teaching church 15-20 hours per week. This is combined with an accelerated academic program including biblical theology, biblical studies, supervised ministry, and practics. The 30-credit program with the same coursework as the module-based program, is completed in 11 months.

#### *Master of Divinity (NTS Cooperative Program)*

The Master of Divinity prepares individuals for ordained ministry and spiritual leadership. Through a unique partnership between MVNU and the Nazarene Theological Seminary (NTS), you can now earn your Master of Divinity, conferred by NTS, without moving to Kansas City. The program offers a combination of 3 convenient ways to take classes to earn the 90 credit hours required for this degree.

1. Take classes in the Master of Ministry program at MVNU
2. Earn a portion of your credits through online instruction
3. Attend modular classes at NTS

#### *Certificate of Ministry Preparation*

The Certificate of Ministry Preparation (CMP) program is designed to provide academic experiences for adults who want to increase their Christian ministry effectiveness, but are unable to enter into the regular college program. The opportunity for service to God's Kingdom requires that individuals serve effectively and knowledgeably – and that requires academic preparation.

The CMP program has received validation from the office of the Clergy Development and the International Course of Study Committee of the Church of the Nazarene as a program that fulfills the educational requirements for ordination as elder in the Church of the Nazarene.

Sunday school teachers, youth workers, and church board members who are not seeking the certificate may be granted permission to audit these courses for the appropriate fee.

#### *Certificate of Ministry Development*

The Certificate of Ministry Development (CMD) is designed to **increase your ministry ability** through the curriculum offered in the Master of Ministry program by allowing you to take classes without pursuing a degree. Those who have a bachelor's or master's degree may also take courses in this program for Continuing Educational Units (CEU).

CMD students take 10 master's-level courses in 6 core areas for an increased understanding of the functions of ministry and how they impact the personal call to serve: theology, biblical studies, preaching, personal growth, leadership, and ministry.

*MVNU offers the best blend of educational philosophy and teaching/learning approach for a Master of Ministry program. The professors have a great track record of excellence and motivation. The program challenges you through well-rounded training to maximize your ministry. My experience at MVNU has truly been life-changing and a blessing.*

REV. TERRY WEYMAN, JR.  
Master of Ministry student

