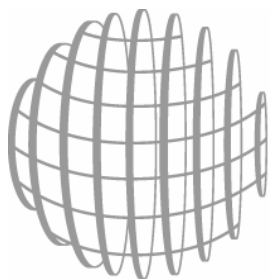


Application Packet

Master of Arts in Biblical Studies
Master of Arts in Ministerial Studies
Master of Divinity



G L O B A L

U N I V E R S I T Y

School of Graduate Studies

To the Applicant:

It is with pleasure that we send you this application packet. The packet is designed to tell us about you: your conversion experience, your aspirations in pursuing a Global University Master of Arts or Master of Divinity degree, your previous degree-level studies, what other people think about you, and your ability to do scholarly writing.

Before we process your application for admission to the School of Graduate Studies, we must have all components of this application packet. This includes a completed reference form from each of the persons you list as references *and* official transcripts of all your degree-level studies. Your application will be considered incomplete until *all* the requested information is received in our office. Please read with care all the material in this packet. Thank you for your interest in the master's degree program.

This packet contains:

The Purpose of the Global University Master's Degree Programs (1 page)

Application for Admission to Graduate Studies (1 page)

Preliminary Study Plan (1 page)*

Loose Leaf Inserted in Center Section (10 sheets):

Reference Form—distribute (2 sheets; 2 copies of 1 sheet)

Transcript Request—copy as needed (1 sheet)

Assignment Cover—complete and return with English Proficiency Essay (1 sheet)

Pages on Which to Write Your Assigned English Proficiency Essay—(6 sheets)*

Biographical Sketch of Christian Life and Service (3 pages)*

English Proficiency Essay Assignment (1 page)

***You may use a computer to complete this section of your application packet.**

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THE PURPOSE OF GLOBAL UNIVERSITY GRADUATE DEGREE PROGRAMS

Historically, the master's degree "is built on knowledge gained in undergraduate study, but it may also provide advanced work in a field new to a student."¹ It is with the thought of building upon an undergraduate foundation in Bible and theology that Global University offers Master of Arts degree programs in (1) Biblical Studies with degree plan options of Broad Field, New Testament, or Old Testament; and (2) Ministerial Studies with options of Broad Field, Education, Leadership, or Missions. Global University's Master of Divinity degree allows a student to either build on knowledge gained in undergraduate study or a field new to the student. All the degree programs and plans offered by Global University are designed to engage the student spiritually, intellectually, and emotionally, as well as to equip him or her to be more effective in the ministry God has given.

The nearly one-thousand-year history of the master's degree has given it a prestige to which Global University desires to add its 40-plus year history of global experience. In the thirteenth century, the titles *master* and *teacher* were synonymous—an indication that the *master* had mastered the subject he taught. Thus, he was a specialist and not an apprentice. Global University wants to continue this "specialist" tradition by offering to its students a course of study that will make them able communicators of God's Word in the cultural context where they will minister.

Globalization challenges us. Global University Master of Arts and Master of Divinity degree programs respond to this global challenge to provide in-depth, advanced biblical and ministerial training. Global University is prepared to play a major role in training students who will, in turn, train others. If the training is mediocre, those who train others will probably train them in a mediocre manner. Global University's master's degree programs rise above mediocrity to a quality that meets historical standards as well as standards of a resident master's program. The international quest for highly trained and well-equipped leaders presents us with yet another challenge, that of globalization with multiple educational systems—a challenge to which Global University's master's degree programs rise. In his article, "International Education and Institutional Accreditation," Steven D. Crow correctly assessed the importance of a global, as opposed to a parochial, approach to educational systems by affirming, "It is educational parochialism to believe that educational progress crafted for students from American Midwest can be duplicated exactly and still meet needs of students, say, from Nigeria or Singapore."² George C. Christensen cogently remarked, "Students deserve programs that grow out of their unique situations and that are relevant to those situations."³ Global University graduate (post-baccalaureate) programs accept the global challenge to provide quality distance-education programs.

In summary, Global University master's degree programs are designed to train men and women in God's Word within their cultural context for global ministry. Designed for those studying either by themselves or in a group, each master's program is integrative and intensive in the sense of specialization and demands of the product it will produce.

¹ *Communicator Council of Graduate Schools*, Vol. XXX, Nos. 3, 4, 5 (1992), p. 1.

² *NCA Quarterly*. Steven D. Crow, "International Education and Institutional Accreditation", Vol. 63, No. 2, (Fall, 1988), p. 385.

³ *NCA Quarterly*. George C. Christensen, "Issues on International Education", Vol. 63, No. 2, (Fall, 1988), p. 390.

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APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION TO GRADUATE STUDIES

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT IN INK. Answer all questions carefully. Submit this completed form with the \$50.00 (or other amount if directed by the Graduate Studies Center through which you will study) nonrefundable application fee. (Do not include payment for tuition, textbooks, or any other fees with this application.) Mail completed packet to your Graduate Studies Center Director.

PERSONAL INFORMATION: Previous studies with Global University? Yes No

Social Security No. (U.S.A. Students Only) _____

Student No. (Former Global University Students Only) _____

Family/Last Name _____

Maiden Name (if applicable) _____

First Name _____ **Date of Birth** (da/MON/yr)

Middle Name _____ As (10JAN65) / /

Title: Mr. Ms. Mrs. Rev. Dr. **Gender:** Male Female

Marital Status: Single Married Widowed Divorced

Home Address _____

**PASSPORT
STYLE
PHOTO
(Applicant Only)**

Country of Residence _____ **Country of Citizenship** _____

Email _____

Primary Language Spoken _____

Present Occupation _____

Are you using: USA VA military benefits? Yes No **USA DANTES/TA military benefits?** Yes No

Primary Religious Affiliation? Assemblies of God Other Pentecostal Other Protestant Roman Catholic Other (specify) _____

Ministerial credentials? Yes No
 Specify Organization _____
 Country _____
 District _____
 Credential Level _____
 Date Obtained _____

How you did you hear of Global University?

- Church/Pastor
 Friend
 Internet
 Magazine (specify) _____
 Other (specify) _____

REFERENCES. List the name and address of two people (pastor and educator/employer) of at least one year's acquaintance who are *not* family members and who can verify your ability to pursue a graduate (post-baccalaureate) degree. Give a reference form to each.

Name _____ Relationship _____ Address _____

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ACADEMIC INFORMATION. An official transcript is required from each school where degree work was done after Grade 12.

Name of School	City/State/Country	Dates Attended	Major	Degree(s)
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

Graduate program you wish to pursue (Check one)

Master of Divinity (90 credits)

**M.A. in Biblical Studies
(36 credits)**

**M.A. in Ministerial Studies
(36 credits)**

- Broad Field
 New Testament
 Old Testament

- Broad Field
 Education
 Leadership
 Missions

Please consider the following:

- Credit Reduction for bachelor's degree in Bible and Theology field
 Transfer of Graduate Credit from (list name of school below) _____

If accepted as a student, I promise to respect the standards of Global University and to allow Global University to use my signature as affixed below on my Student Identification Card. I understand that the application fee is nonrefundable after five days from submission of this form. I further understand that my completion of a degree program with Global University does not guarantee my acceptance for any position and that it is my responsibility to verify applicability of Global University credit toward my goals.

THIS SIDE FOR OFFICE USE ONLY:

GSC Office Code _____

 GSC Director Signature (if applicable) (da/MON/yr)

Full Admission to School of Graduate Studies

Comment _____

Provisional Admission to School of Graduate Studies

Reason _____

Probationary Admission to School of Graduate Studies

Reason _____

Special Student Admission to Graduate Studies

Comment _____

Admission Denied (Reason) _____

 Applicant Signature

 (da/MON/yr)

 Dean, School of Graduate Studies

 (da/MON/yr)

Name of applicant
Address of applicant

NOTICE TO THE APPLICANT: *In the United States, PUBLIC LAW 93-380, the Family Education Rights and Privacy Act of 1974, grants all students the right to inspect and review all of their official records. This right extends to letters of recommendation, except that a student may waive his/her right to inspect and review letters of recommendation by signing a waiver.*

<input type="checkbox"/>	I have waived my right to see this and other recommendations.
<input type="checkbox"/>	I do not waive my right to see this and other recommendations.
Signature of Applicant	
Applicant's failure to sign indicates right to see this recommendation is not waived.	

I, _____
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 How long have you known applicant? _____ In what relationship(s) (circle) Pastor, Teacher, Employer, Advisor (Other) _____

Please rate applicant by checking *all items that apply* for each heading below. Do not check items in areas about which you feel uncertain or that you have had no opportunity to observe.

Please check any traits in the list below that you have noted in applicant.

Intelligence	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Thinks logically
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<input type="checkbox"/>	Average mental ability
<input type="checkbox"/>	Alert or inquisitive
<input type="checkbox"/>	Learns and thinks rapidly
Teachability	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Rigid, argumentative
<input type="checkbox"/>	Very opinionated
<input type="checkbox"/>	Open minded
<input type="checkbox"/>	Willing to receive instruction
Perseverance in completing tasks	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Gives up easily or easily discouraged
<input type="checkbox"/>	Needs encouragement to persevere
<input type="checkbox"/>	Persists in most circumstances
Achievement (formulate, execute, and carry plans to conclusion)	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Does only what is assigned
<input type="checkbox"/>	Starts but does not finish
<input type="checkbox"/>	Innovative
<input type="checkbox"/>	Resourceful and effective
<input type="checkbox"/>	Superior creative ability
Self-discipline	
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<input type="checkbox"/>	Not very disciplined, but responds to deadlines well
<input type="checkbox"/>	Self-disciplined, plans and works ahead of schedule

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<input type="checkbox"/>	Arrogant
<input type="checkbox"/>	Critical of others
<input type="checkbox"/>	Depressed
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<input type="checkbox"/>	Easily embarrassed
<input type="checkbox"/>	Easily offended
<input type="checkbox"/>	Frequently worried
<input type="checkbox"/>	Impatient
<input type="checkbox"/>	Inability to take a joke
<input type="checkbox"/>	Intolerant
<input type="checkbox"/>	Irritable
<input type="checkbox"/>	Lacking tact
<input type="checkbox"/>	Nervous
<input type="checkbox"/>	Prejudiced toward groups, races, or nationalities
<input type="checkbox"/>	Quick-tempered
<input type="checkbox"/>	Rigid, not adaptable
<input type="checkbox"/>	Rude
<input type="checkbox"/>	Self-centered
<input type="checkbox"/>	Sullen
<input type="checkbox"/>	Unteachable

Based on your knowledge of the applicant, how would you rate his or her potential success in a Master of Arts or Master of Divinity program?

<input type="checkbox"/>	Exceptional	<input type="checkbox"/>	Very good	<input type="checkbox"/>	Good	<input type="checkbox"/>	Fair	<input type="checkbox"/>	Poor
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Comment:

What do you believe is applicant's motive in applying to Global University's Graduate School?

Name (please print)

Position or title

Address

Do you have reason to doubt or questions applicant's personal integrity?

If so, explain:

Do you have any reservations about recommending this person? If so, please explain.

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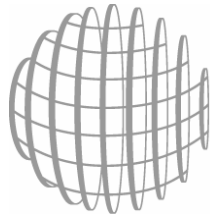
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Signature

Date



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TRANSCRIPT REQUEST (Prospective Student)

Dear Registrar:

I am requesting that you send an official transcript of my academic record to:

**Office of the Registrar
Graduate Studies Representative
Global University
1211 South Glenstone Avenue
Springfield, MO 65804
USA**

Personal Information (please print):

Name (first, middle, family/last)	
Maiden Name (if applicable)	
Student Number	
Current Address	
Phone	Fax:
Email	
Degree(s)	Major(s)
Dates Attended	Year of Last Graduation

Thank you for your assistance.

Signature
Date

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH OF CHRISTIAN LIFE AND SERVICE

In a 500- to 1,000-word statement, relate the following phases of your Christian life:

1. Your conversion to Christ
2. Your call to Christian service
3. Particulars of your Christian service as it relates to leading others to Christ, preaching, or teaching the Word of God

Please use the space on this sheet and the following two pages to write your essay.

Name (please print)	Date

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

Name (please print)

Date

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Name (please print)

Date

ENGLISH PROFICIENCY ESSAY

Your acceptance into the School of Graduate Studies of Global University to pursue a Master of Arts or Master of Divinity degree program is contingent on the following criteria:

1. A Bachelor of Arts or equivalent degree from an accredited institution with a minimum cumulative grade average of 80% (B, or 3.0 grade point average on a 4.0 scale).
2. A demonstration of your ability to study and communicate in English at a graduate level of studies.

To fulfill the latter requirement, you are asked to write an essay that is 5 to 10 pages (1,250 to 2,500 words) in length, on a specific topic. This essay will be judged on your ability to organize your material, reason, analyze, synthesize, and communicate in clear, concise, and comprehensible English, *not* on whether we agree or disagree with what you have written. The following topic has been selected for you:

Prepare a response for someone who might ask: “Why do you need another degree? Can’t you just seek God and allow the Holy Spirit to direct your understanding of the Bible?” Consider the roles of both the Holy Spirit and personal study in your response.

Your response should include references to relevant Scripture as appropriate to explain, contrast, critique, and/or defend the topic and your position with regard to the topic.

NOTE: This page *must be returned* with your English proficiency essay.

ASSIGNMENT COVER FOR ENGLISH PROFICIENCY ESSAY

(Return with Application Packet for Admission to the School of Graduate Studies of Global University)

Applicant Name (Please print.)
Address

Student Identification Number _____. If you have **not** previously enrolled in Global University (formerly Berean/ICI University) courses, this number will be assigned on receipt of your application.

Note to Applicant: If your essay is done on a computer, you should double-space lines and leave a two-inch left margin for grader comments on each page. You should make sure your name and the page number appear at the top of each page. *You must return this page and the page from your application packet that includes the English Proficiency Essay topic to which you are responding.* Your essay will be evaluated according to the following criteria.

APPLICANT, DO NOT WRITE BELOW THIS POINT.

Note to Grader. Applicant's paper should be graded on how well the material is organized and how well applicant displayed abilities to reason, analyze, synthesize, and communicate his or her response to the assigned English proficiency topic in clear, concise, and comprehensible English. Agreement or disagreement with what the applicant wrote should *not* affect the grade for this paper.

Evaluator should place a circle around the point value that best reflects the competency for evaluation criteria based on the following levels of competency.

- | | |
|---|--|
| 10 points (100%) = excellent | 5 points (50%) = below average |
| 9 points (90%) = above average | 4 points (40%) = poor |
| 8 points (80%) = slightly above average | 3 points (30%) = very poor |
| 7 points (70%) = average | 2 points (20%) = slight competency displayed |
| 6 points (60%) = slightly below average | 1 point (10%) = no competency displayed |

Evaluation Criteria	Point Value (circle; bold if using computer)									
1. Sentence structure and punctuation	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
2. English grammar	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
3. Spelling.....	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
4. Graduate level of communication.....	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
5. Organization of material.....	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
6. Clarity of position on topic.....	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
7. Analysis and/or synthesis	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
8. Thoroughness of position	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
9. Logical conclusion for material presented.....	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
10. Indication of understanding of topic.....	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
Frequency for each point value	<u> x </u>	<u> x </u>	<u> x </u>	<u> x </u>	<u> x </u>	<u> x </u>	<u> x </u>	<u> x </u>	<u> x </u>	<u> x </u>
Total for each point value (frequency x value)	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Proficiency grade (add totals for all categories)										

Grader Comments:	
Graded by	Date Graded
School of Graduate Studies Comments:	
By	Date

Applicant Name	
Grader's Comments	Neatly and legibly write or type English proficiency essay.

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