The Center for Advanced Ministry (CAMT) training offers an accelerated program within the College of Bible and Religion that provides ministry training for non-traditional students (age 24 and older), leading to a Bachelor of Ministry degree.

The CAMT baccalaureate program is a two to three year experience depending on the student’s prior university-level preparation. Students participate in a daily chapel program together and are paired with mentors in local congregations for a practical ministry apprentice program.

Provisional admission is granted to all students until they satisfy requirements for full acceptance. Full acceptance is granted after students have completed a minimum of 30 credit hours (either in-residence hours earned at Harding and/or transfer hours), 22 credit hours of which must be general education courses from the Liberal Arts College, including six hours of English Composition.

Bachelor of Ministry (B.Min.) Degree with Major in Bible and Ministry:
This is an academic degree commensurate to other baccalaureate degrees awarded by Harding University. Students must meet all admission requirements to Harding and CAMT. They must complete all courses in the 94-hour B.Min. curriculum with a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.5 and an overall grade point average of 2.0, and all required Liberal Arts requirements with a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.0. The student must also meet all of Harding’s graduation requirements.

Enrollment in the B.Min. Program:
All students seeking enrollment in the B.Min. program must apply to the director for admission. Criteria for enrollment in the program emphasize personal and moral fitness for ministry, including one’s overall emotional, social and spiritual stability. Students must also be able to communicate effectively through speaking and writing, show general ability and aptitude for work in an accelerated academic program (as reflected on ACT and/or SAT scores, or GPA on transfer hours), and be actively involved in congregational life.

To be provisionally admitted to the B.Min. degree program, a student shall:
1. Be accepted for enrollment at Harding University.
2. File a formal application for admission into the CAMT B.Min. program, with your photo attached.
3. Be at least 24 years of age.
4. Be an active member of the church of Christ
5. Provide four references—two religious and two general.
6. Provide a plan of financial support for the coming year.
7. Complete and submit the Taylor-Johnson Temperament Analysis.
8. Complete and submit grammar and composition screening.
9. Submit to a criminal background check, and pay the appropriate fee.

To achieve full acceptance into the B.Min. degree program, a student shall:
1. Complete 30 hours of college credit with the required cumulative GPA, a minimum of 22 hours of which must be general education courses from the Liberal Arts College, including 6 hours of English composition with a minimum grade of “C.”
2. Participate in a progress assessment interview during the first 15-30 hours completed at Harding with a committee composed of representatives from the B.Min. program to evaluate academic performance and ministry aptitude.

To remain in the program, a student shall:
1. Maintain the standards of personal and moral fitness required for admission to the program.
2. Maintain a 2.5 average in all courses required for the B.Min. degree and an overall cumulative GPA of 2.0.

BMIN Scholarship:
A full tuition scholarship to pursue the B.Min. degree is available for students who meet and maintain academic and ministry aptitude qualifications. Specific criteria of the scholarship are available through the CAMT.