

WHERE ACADEMIA AND ACTIVISM MEET

The M.A. in Development Studies provides students with an understanding of social, cultural, and religious factors that have affected global development throughout history. Students are prepared to conduct research and design programs that address development challenges in the modern world. There is a general program path or the opportunity to pursue a focus in China Studies or Global Women's Empowerment..

Core Courses

- DS 510: FOUNDATIONS OF BIBLICAL FAITH
- DS 515: INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE CONTEMPORARY WORLD
- DS 520: GLOBAL TRANSFORMATION
- DS 680: APPLIED LEARNING
- DS 690: CAPSTONE

Areas of Focus

- GLOBAL CIVILIZATIONS
- GLOBAL WOMEN'S EMPOWERMENT
- CHINA STUDIES
- URBAN POOR



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Master of Arts in Development Studies

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Be changed. Bring change.

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Become A Catalyst for
Change in Your
Community

Development Work is Complex

Working in development means you face a multitude of complexities. At WCIU, we want to walk with you and equip you to address issues such as:



JUSTICE ISSUES

Women's concerns, land rights, and legal battles.

SUSTAINABILITY CHALLENGES

Structural issues, scalability of aid issues, and narrow approaches to development



ECONOMIC CHALLENGES

Poverty, structural economic constraints, and income inequality.

ENVIRONMENTAL PROBLEMS

Global warming, global health, and the water crisis.



CULTURAL UNDERSTANDING

Religious, social, and racial discrimination/biases.

GLOBALIZATION CHALLENGES

Political issues, technological issues, and global inequalities.



Learn how to creatively tackle the problems in the communities you serve with an M.A. in Development Studies.

Become a Catalyst for Change

Gain insight and knowledge into the problems communities are facing and learn how to foster change even in dire circumstances.

Develop as a Scholar and Leader

Foster practical skills, expand your field of applicable knowledge, and develop as a leader.

Help the People You Serve Flourish

See your studies translate into growth and change in the communities you are serving.

FROM OUR DIRECTOR,

Come learn with us at WCIU!

The M.A. in Development Studies (D.S) gives you the tools, informed by biblical-cultural-historical perspectives, to develop transformational solutions in your work and ministry context. You will study with faculty members who are committed to your holistic development – guiding you in your academic and spiritual development. We encourage you to explore our program to see how our university can equip you with the tools that you need!"

Dr. Diana Kimani
Program Director



Is MA-DS right for you?

This program is a great fit if you:

- Have been in the field for years but find yourself hitting a wall.
- Have development experience but want to grow further.
- Want a development studies degree informed by biblical, historical, and cultural perspectives.
- Are looking for a degree you can earn from anywhere.
- Are a long-term development worker who doesn't want to stop working while studying.
- Want to help the world more practically by turning your philosophy into action.

CAREER PATH

Paths You Can Take With An M.A. in Development Studies

- Activist
- Movement Leader
- Micro-Business Developer
- Community Developer
- Church Leader
- Long-Term Development Worker
- Social Entrepreneur
- NGO Manager
- Crisis Response Worker
- Development Consultant
- Aid Worker