

# Master of Christian Business Administration in Financial Stewardship and Sustainability

A 60-credit taught Master of Christian Business Administration in Financial Stewardship and Sustainability, combining 24 credits of common graduate Christian formation with 36 credits of mission-focused study for faithful workplace and marketplace service.

## Programme Overview

The Master of Christian Business Administration in Financial Stewardship and Sustainability is a 60-credit taught graduate programme designed to form Christians for faithful service in workplaces, businesses, ministries, nonprofits, and institutions. All learners complete four common graduate formation modules before entering a six-module mission focus. This mission focus develops Christian stewardship in finance, accounting ethics, budgeting, internal controls, audit readiness, fundraising, anti-manipulation safeguards, sustainability, debt, institutional faithfulness, digital finance, privacy, and economic discernment.

## Programme Purpose

This programme is not presented merely as a route to employment or status. Its purpose is to form Christians for faithful and effective service in the workplace, business, nonprofit and ministry administration, entrepreneurship, governance, stewardship, technology, and other marketplace settings. Professional competence is treated as stewardship before Christ, joined to integrity, service, wise judgment, and faithful witness.

## Programme at a Glance

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| <b>Award</b>          | Master of Christian Business Administration in Financial Stewardship and Sustainability                           |
| <b>Academic level</b> | Master                                                                                                            |
| <b>Credits</b>        | 60 graduate credits                                                                                               |
| <b>Delivery</b>       | Online through the institutional LMS; correspondence mode for learners with limited or unreliable internet access |
| <b>Orientation</b>    | Christian formation for faithful workplace and marketplace service                                                |

## Who This Programme Is For

This programme is intended for Christian professionals, entrepreneurs, ministry administrators, nonprofit leaders, workplace servants, and others with appropriate bachelor-level preparation who want advanced formation in financial stewardship and sustainability under Scripture.

## Available MCBA Mission Focus Areas

- Master of Christian Business Administration
- Master of Christian Business Administration in Leadership and Governance
- Master of Christian Business Administration in Entrepreneurship and Marketplace Mission
- Master of Christian Business Administration in Church and Nonprofit Administration
- Master of Christian Business Administration in Financial Stewardship and Sustainability
- Master of Christian Business Administration in Strategic Leadership and Organizational Resilience
- Master of Christian Business Administration in Technology and Marketplace Discernment
- Master of Christian Business Administration in Marketplace Chaplaincy and Employee Care

## Curriculum and Programme Structure

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| <p><b>Common Graduate Formation</b></p> <p>Four compulsory modules, 6 credits each, for 24 credits.</p> <p><b>MGF501   Advanced Sola Scriptura, Biblical Worldview, and Theological Discernment (6 credits)</b></p> <p>Grounds all master study in Scripture as final authority, advanced biblical worldview, doctrinal clarity, theological method, and discernment.</p> <p><b>MGF502   Mission, Calling, Spiritual Formation, and End-Time Faithfulness (6 credits)</b></p> <p>Forms students for mature service, calling, holiness, spiritual resilience, watchfulness, and faithful ministry in complex times.</p> <p><b>MGF503   Christian Ethics, Leadership, Stewardship, and Public Witness (6 credits)</b></p> <p>Develops advanced ethical reasoning, servant leadership, stewardship, integrity, public communication, and witness under Christ.</p> <p><b>MGF504   Christian Scholarship, Communication, OER, and Responsible Digital Practice (6 credits)</b></p> <p>Strengthens serious reading, scholarly communication, OER development, citation integrity, responsible AI use, and media discernment without requiring a dissertation or major project.</p> | <p><b>Mission Focus - Financial Stewardship and Sustainability</b></p> <p>Six advanced taught modules, 6 credits each, for 36 credits.</p> <p><b>MCBA-FS601   Biblical Finance and Accounting Ethics (6 credits)</b></p> <p>Financial integrity, accounting ethics, stewardship, fraud prevention, truthful reporting, and conscience.</p> <p><b>MCBA-FS602   Budgeting, Controls, and Audit Readiness (6 credits)</b></p> <p>Budgets, internal controls, audit readiness, cash flow, documentation, and accountability systems.</p> <p><b>MCBA-FS603   Fundraising, Giving, and Anti-Manipulation Safeguards (6 credits)</b></p> <p>Giving, fundraising ethics, donor care, mercy, church finance, and spiritual abuse prevention.</p> <p><b>MCBA-FS604   Sustainability and Resource Stewardship (6 credits)</b></p> <p>Sustainability, reserves, risk, creation care, organizational endurance, and mission continuity.</p> <p><b>MCBA-FS605   Economic Pressure, Debt, and Institutional Faithfulness (6 credits)</b></p> <p>Debt, inflation, funding pressure, donor dependency, mission drift, and faithful stewardship.</p> <p><b>MCBA-FS606   Digital Finance, Payments, and Economic Discernment (6 credits)</b></p> <p>Digital payments, financial platforms, surveillance concerns, access, privacy, and conscience.</p> |
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## Study and Delivery

OCU offers two study modes for taught programmes. Both follow the same approved curriculum, learning outcomes, assessment standards, and progression requirements.

- Online through the institutional LMS: learners access course books, learning resources, instructions, assessments, feedback, and academic communication through OCU's learning platform.
- Correspondence mode for learners with limited or unreliable internet access: learners download course books and assignments when connectivity is available, study offline, and submit completed work by email or through the LMS as access permits.

Both modes require disciplined independent study, timely completion of assessed work, and regular communication with OCU.

## Learning and Assessment

The master's degree is a taught advanced-formation programme. Assessment is course-based and may include advanced integrative essays, case analyses, teaching outlines, policy or ministry briefs, theological reflections, evidence-aware written work, recorded presentations, and objective knowledge checks where used. The current 60-credit master's model does not require a dissertation, thesis, capstone, portfolio, or major project.

## Admission Requirements

Admission to a master's programme normally requires relevant bachelor-level preparation, adequate academic writing ability, a clear ministry or professional purpose, and readiness for advanced taught study. OCU may consider documented prior learning where it is comparable in level, relevant, and consistent with current standards; transfer is not automatic.

## Progression and Graduation

The award requires successful completion of all ten taught modules for a total of 60 graduate credits. No dissertation, thesis, capstone, portfolio, or major project is required in the current master's structure. Graduates may pursue further professional or research doctoral study if they separately meet the applicable doctoral admission requirements.

## Workplace, Ministry, and Marketplace Service Applications

- Financial stewardship and accounting ethics
- Budgeting and internal controls
- Audit readiness
- Fundraising ethics and donor care
- Sustainability and mission continuity
- Digital finance and economic discernment

## Recognition and External Requirements

OCU awards should be considered in relation to the learner's intended purpose. Employment, professional licensure, ordination, immigration outcomes, transfer-credit acceptance, credential evaluation, admission to another institution, and recognition by third parties are determined by the relevant external body and are not guaranteed by OCU. Prospective learners with a specific external requirement should confirm it directly with the responsible authority, employer, institution, professional body, or credential evaluator before enrolling.

## Fees and Charges

OCU maintains a separate current [Fees and Charges](#) page. Prospective learners should consult that page for applicable administrative or other charges rather than relying on fee figures copied into individual programme pages.

## Admissions and Next Steps

Prospective learners should review OCU's current [Admissions](#) information before applying. Select the programme that best matches your academic preparation, Christian calling, and intended area of workplace, marketplace, ministry, or Christian service. For programme or application questions, please contact [Open Christian University](#).