

FROM THE DESK OF DIRECTOR DAN WILT, M.MIN.

The Certificate In Worship Leadership Studies

THE WORSHIP AND ARTS INSTITUTE AND ST. STEPHEN'S UNIVERSITY

Dear Pastor and/or Board,

Your worship leader has expressed an interest in studying, on a university level, worship theology, history, values, worship leadership skills, creativity and spiritual formation - online with us over the next year. We would like to ask you to prayerfully, and/or financially support them in this important step forward.

The Certificate In Worship Leadership Studies is a university-level online Certificate program, done part-time over a year, that creates an online learning conversation with worship leaders on vital theological, historical, and leadership skills relevant to the development of the 21st century worship leader/worship pastor.

The Program has been designed by myself, Dan Wilt, M.Min., and incorporates a wide range of online and media technologies. The voices of N.T. Wright, Robert Webber, Richard Foster and many of today's influential voices in worship and spiritual formation are involved via media. The Worship And Arts Institute (the university training arm of WorshipTraining.com) partners with St. Stephen's University (SSU) in New Brunswick in presenting the *Certificate In Worship Leadership Studies*. It all takes place on our Online Campus at www.WorshipTraining.com.

The Certificate is offered in six, 4 week "Essentials" modules (24 weeks total), and each module requires 40 hours of academic work (approximately 10 hrs. per week). Each Essentials module is worth one 1 credit hour, and all modules together are worth 6 credit hours - the complete Certificate. In other words, your worship leader will be learning, reading, writing, responding, interacting in live, online calls with myself and developing with others globally through *240 hours of worship study* in the course of the year. Devotional broadcasts and live quarterly calls round out their growth. We are confident you will be very happy with the core development of your worship leader during this time.

The program utilizes books (*Simply Christian, Surprised By Hope, Ancient-Future Time, Devotional Classics* and others), visual media, audio media, an online classroom, blogs, and written and creative projects to fulfill its mandate. Academics (Ph.D., D.Min.) and practitioners, via media, contribute significantly to this coursework. Via media, Tim Hughes (*Here I Am To Worship*), Matt Redman (*Heart Of Worship*), Kathryn Scott (*Hungry*) and many others speak into our program.

If desired, The Certificate In Worship Leadership Studies may then be applied to further study at St. Stephen's University, or applied to another school.

Should you require more information on the nature of our curriculum, please visit www.WorshipTraining.com (Certificate tab) or contact us directly by emailing will@worshiptraining.com.

Respectfully,



Dan Wilt, M.Min.

Director, The Worship And Arts Institute
Certificate Instructor

The Online Certificate In Worship Leadership Studies

About The Instructor



Dan Wilt, M.Min. is the designer and Instructor of *The Certificate In Worship Leadership Studies*. He is the Learning Director of *WorshipTraining.com* (an online worship education resource serving local churches), and the Director of The Worship And Arts Institute (our university training arm). After 20+ years as a worship leader, recording artist (Vineyard Music, *All You Are*), author (*Perspectives On Worship: Five Views* with Dan Kimball and others), media developer (DVD Host of *What Is Worship?*), and international conference keynote speaker, Dan received his Master Of Ministry Degree (M.Min.) in Classic Christian Spirituality and Formation.

After developing a Worship Studies One Year Diploma Program and a Master of Ministry Degree program with St. Stephen University in New Brunswick, Canada, Dan created The Essentials Courses – 100% online, university-level studies in worship. To reach into the heart of the local church's resourcing needs around the globe, Dan then created *WorshipTraining.com* - an online education site that runs 365 days a year.

Dan draws on his extensive experience serving as the Worship Resource Developer for Vineyard Music Global, Worship Development Coordinator for the Association Of Vineyard Churches Canada, writer for *Vertical Music*, Creative Editor of *InsideWorship* Magazine, and as a conference speaker/worship leader at worship leader conferences and other interdenominational events for over 20 years. His ancient-future, post-modern aware, character-based approach is unique in today's worship leader development world.

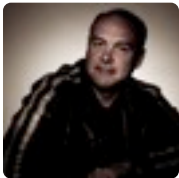
Dan has also served for over two decades as a local church worship pastor, senior pastor and training pastor, and has recorded eight CDs as a songwriter with Vineyard Music and others. The creation of The Institute in partnership with St. Stephen's University was a finalist for the Bridgeway Foundation Innovation Awards, recognizing powerful educational programs equipping creative leaders in a postmodern world.

To date, Dan has trained literally thousands of worship leaders, musicians, and worshipers in live and online events internationally throughout the past decades. With a Learning Community of over 9000 worldwide (and growing), and hundreds of churches from 50 + countries involved at *WorshipTraining.com*, Dan and his team are developing worship leaders to effectively serve in their local church and community with creative vision and a 21st century skill set.

References From Other Worship Influencers



"I love Dan's passion for worship and enthusiasm to train and equip others. He is a gifted communicator and has inspired many worship leaders over the years. Here is a man who is living to make God's praise glorious." **Tim Hughes** (*Worship Central, Here I Am To Worship*)



"Dan Wilt has a clear vision of what the church needs to recapture and deepen in worship. He is a gifted communicator and leader. I have known Dan for over ten years and I heartily recommend Dan and his Essentials Courses to you!" **Brian Doerksen** (*Come, Now Is The Time*)



"This is an imaginative and thoughtful enterprise led by Dan Wilt, one of our most committed and wide-thinking worship trainers. Definitely worth participating." **Jeremy Begbie, Ph.D.** (Duke Divinity School, Thomas A. Langford Research Professor Of Theology; Cambridge University Theology And The Arts)



"Imagine a place where you are invited to ask big questions relating to how you think about God and worship. Imagine being part of a diverse, creative learning community who were all on a similar pursuit. The Institute provided a beautiful, solid foundation of thought, adding in building blocks which God is using to reconstruct some of my Biblical worldview. The whole process has personally been a surprising discovery, adding layer upon layer of fresh insight. **Di Hocking** (Worship Leader, Australia)



“Welcome to the world’s most powerful online university courses for worship leaders and creative ministries.”

Dan Wilt, M.Min.
Essentials Course Instructor

The Essentials Courses ONLINE STUDIES IN WORSHIP WITH DAN WILT, M.MIN. AND CONTRIBUTING FRIENDS

Imagine online university courses that introduce students to foundational worship theology, history, values, skills and leadership - while drawing on some of the most influential practitioners, academics and influencers in worship leadership in our generation.

The Essentials Courses are those courses, and together make up *The Certificate In Worship Leadership Studies* offered by The Worship And Arts Institute in partnership with St. Stephen’s University.

Led by internationally respected worship leader Dan Wilt, M.Min., these 4 week online media courses utilize social, media and learning technologies to engage students in vital themes in worship leadership.

You will participate with other students around the world as we learn from New Testament scholar N.T. Wright, Worship Historian Robert Webber, Worship Leader Dan Wilt, M.Min. and a host of other scholars, artists, songwriters and communicators.

STUDENTS...

- Develop theologically in understanding worship worldview, Trinity, resurrection, the Kingdom of God, the cross, justice and more.
- Learn the meanings of Church Year seasons - Advent, Christmas, Lent, Epiphany, Easter, Pentecost - and historic worship practices.
- Study values such as Intimacy, Integrity, Accessibility, Cultural Connection and Kingdom Expectation and how we disciple worshippers.
- Glean the skills of great worship leaders in set planning, flow, musicality, band arranging, organization, pastoral care and discipleship.
- Cultivate creativity through the intensive study of the craft of worship songwriting, and learn keys to a blossoming devotional life.

The Certificate In Worship Leadership Studies Includes:



Essentials In Worship Theology

Essentials In Worship Theology will take you deep into the mystery of worship, transforming our worldview with N.T. Wright's *Simply Christian*. This offers a fresh vision of worship. 4 wks., 10 hrs./wk.



Essentials In Worship Leading

Essentials In Worship Leading zero's in on the skillset of every worship leader. Set planning, arranging and leadership are the focus with the help of Andy Park's *To Know You More*. 4 wks., 10 hrs./wk.



Essentials In Worship History

Essentials In Worship History unpacks the treasures of worship history - holidays, symbols, art, music, with Webber's *Ancient Future Time*. This offers ancient ideas for our worship life today. 4 wks., 10 hrs./wk.



Essentials In Worship Songwriting

Essentials In Songwriting leads songwriters through a focused writing and rewriting of a corporate worship song. With the help of *Baloché* and *Doerksen*, we all grow as writers. 4 wks., 10 hrs./wk.



Essentials In Worship Values

Essentials In Worship Values energizes you with vital discipleship values such as intimacy, integrity, accessibility, cultural connection. Address why we do what we do in this course. 4 wks., 10 hrs./wk.



Essentials In Spiritual Formation

Essentials In Spiritual Formation roots the creative leader in a devotional life that lasts a lifetime. Earth, wind, fire and water imagery, along with Foster's *Devotional Classics*, lead us on. 4 wks., 10 hrs./wk.