



Master of Arts (Biblical and Theological Studies) (MABTS)

Program Overview

MABTS COURSE LIST

CATEGORY	COURSE NAME AND NUMBER	CREDIT HOURS
Biblical Languages (9 credits)	Greek I and/or Hebrew I	4
	Greek II and/or Hebrew II	2
	Greek in Exegesis and/or Hebrew in Exegesis NT/OT305	3
Church History (3 credits)	Ancient & Medieval Church History CH310 OR Reformation & Modern Church History CH320	3
New Testament (9 credits)	Gospels NT220/320	3
	Acts & Pauline Epistles NT230/330	3
	Pastoral & General Epistles & Revelation NT250/350	3
Old Testament (11 credits)	Pentateuch OT220/320	2
	OT Historical Books OT230/330	3
	Psalms & Wisdom Literature OT240/340	3
	Prophetic Books OT250/350	3
Biblical & Systematic Theology (15 credits)	Covenant Theology ST300	3
	Christian Ethics ST360	3
	God & Humanity: Foundations of Counseling ST310	3
	Sin, Christ & Salvation ST330	3
	Spirit, Church & Last Things ST350	3
MA Capstone (1 credit)	Capstone MA298	1
(Thesis) (4 credits)	(Optional: 4-hour MA Thesis** MA397, MA398. These credits come from the total elective hours.)	(4)
Electives (18 credits/ 14 credits)	Electives	18 (14)*
TOTAL DEGREE HOURS		66

* For students choosing to do **only one language**, *four* of the electives must come from the following classes. For students choosing to do **both languages**, *two* of the electives must come from the following classes. For students choosing to do **both languages and a thesis**, *one* of the electives must come from the following classes.

- AT310 Christian Formation & Calling – 3 credits
- AT340 Theology of Ministry & Worship – 3 credits
- CC310 Foundations of Apologetics & Outreach – 3 credits
- CO320 Counseling in the Church I – 3 credits
- EM301 Educational Foundations – 3 credits
- WM310 God's World Mission – 3 credits

** Students wishing to do a **thesis** must complete *both* language sequences: NT301, NT302, NT303 and OT301, OT302, OT303.

BIBLE CONTENT EXAM

Students must attempt the Bible Content Exam their first semester of coursework and pass it prior to graduation.

MABTS SEQUENCE OF REQUIRED COURSES – On-Campus One-Language Version

NOTE: The MABTS has options to pursue one or both of the biblical languages. This chart shows only the one-language version. For course sequences for the two-language version or the two-language plus thesis option, talk to your Admissions Representative.

FIRST YEAR		SUMMER	FALL	JAN-TERM	SPRING
NT/OT302	Greek or Hebrew I	4			
NT/OT304	Greek or Hebrew II	2			
NT/OT305	NT or OT Exegesis		3		
OT220/320	Pentateuch		2		
ST300	Covenant Theology		3		
	Electives‡		6		
NT220/320	Gospels				3
OT230/330	OT Historical Books				3
ST310	God & Humanity: Foundations of Counseling				3
	Church History§				3
TOTAL HOURS: 32		6	14	0	12
SECOND YEAR		SUMMER	FALL	JAN-TERM	SPRING
	Electives‡	6			
NT230/330	Acts & Pauline Epistles		3		
OT240/340	Psalms & Wisdom Literature		3		
ST330	Sin, Christ & Salvation		3		
	Electives‡		6		
AT499	MA Capstone				1
NT250/350	Pastoral & General Epistles & Revelation				3
OT250/350	Prophetical Books				3
ST350	Spirit, Church & Last Things				3
ST360	Christian Ethics				3
TOTAL HOURS: 34		6	15	0	13
TOTAL DEGREE HOURS					66

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SUMMARY OF DEGREE REQUIREMENTS

BIBLE EXAM / CURRICULUM HOURS: 66 (48 core hours; 18 elective hours)

‡ 12 elective hours must come from the following courses: AT310 Christian Formation & Calling, AT340 Theology of Ministry & Worship, CC310 Foundations for Apologetics & Outreach, CM310 Communicating the Scriptures + CM321 Communicating the New Testament, CO320 Counseling in the Church I, EM301 Educational Foundations, WM310 God's World Mission. 6 remaining elective hours are unrestricted. Electives may be taken in any term.

§ Can be either CH310 Ancient & Medieval Church History or CH320 Reformation & Modern Church History.

Note: English-based bible courses at the 200 level will only be available online and may be offered in terms different than indicated above.

MABTS SEQUENCE OF REQUIRED COURSES – Online One-Language Version

FIRST YEAR		SUMMER	FALL	JAN-TERM	SPRING
MA200	Online Student Orientation~		0		
NT/OT301	Greek I or Hebrew I		3		
ST300	Covenant Theology		3		
	Electives‡				3
NT/OT303	Greek II or Hebrew II		3		
	Church History§				3
	Electives‡				3
TOTAL HOURS: 18		0	9	0	9
SECOND YEAR		SUMMER	FALL	JAN-TERM	SPRING
NT/OT305	NT Exegesis or OT Exegesis	3			
OT220/OT320	Pentateuch	2			
NT220/NT320	Gospels		3		
OT320/OT330	OT Historical Books		3		
ST310	God & Humanity: Foundations of Counseling		3		
NT230/NT330	Acts & Pauline Epistles				3
OT240/OT340	Psalms & Wisdom Literature				3
ST330	Sin, Christ & Salvations				3
TOTAL HOURS: 23		5	9	0	9
THIRD YEAR		SUMMER	FALL	JAN-TERM	SPRING
	Electives‡	6			
NT250/NT350	Pastoral & General Epistles & Revelation		3		
OT250/OT350	Prophetical Books		3		
ST360	Christian Ethics		3		
AT499	MA Capstone				1
ST350	Spirit, Church & Last Things				3
	Electives‡				6
TOTAL HOURS: 25		6	9	0	10
TOTAL DEGREE HOURS					66

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SUMMARY OF DEGREE REQUIREMENTS – BIBLE EXAM / CURRICULUM HOURS: 66 (48 core hours; 18 elective hours)

~ This is a required course. Students in it will also be assigned to a personal formation Cohort Group which will meet during the term.

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