



# 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)*
<b>TOTAL DEGREE HOURS</b>		<b>66</b>

\* 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 – Two-Language + Thesis Version

NOTE: The MABTS has options to pursue one or both of the biblical languages. This chart shows only the two-language plus thesis version. For course sequences for the one-language version or the two-language without thesis option, talk to your Admissions Representative.

FIRST YEAR		SUMMER	FALL	JAN-TERM	SPRING
NT302	Greek I	4			
NT304	Greek I I	2			
NT305	New Testament Exegesis		3		
OT302	Hebrew I		4		
ST300	Covenant Theology		3		
	Electives‡		3		
OT304	Hebrew II			2	
NT320	Gospels				3
OT305	OT Exegesis				3
ST310	God & Humanity: Foundations of Counseling				3
	Church History§				3
<b>TOTAL HOURS: 33</b>		<b>6</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>12</b>
SECOND YEAR		SUMMER	FALL	JAN-TERM	SPRING
	Electives‡	2			
OT320	Pentateuch	2			
MA397	Thesis Supervision I		(2)		
NT330	Acts & Pauline Epistles		3		
OT330	OT Historical Books		3		
OT340	Psalms & Wisdom Literature		3		
ST330	Sin, Christ & Salvation		3		
AT299	MA Capstone				1
MA398	Thesis Supervision II				(2)
NT350	Pastoral & General Epistles and Revelation				3
OT350	Prophetic Books				3
ST350	Spirit, Church & Last Things				3
ST360	Christian Ethics				3
<b>TOTAL HOURS: 33</b>		<b>4</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>15</b>

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**SUMMARY OF DEGREE REQUIREMENTS** – BIBLE EXAM / CURRICULUM HOURS: 66 (57 core hours; 5 elective hours; 4 thesis hours)

THESIS HOURS: 4 (awarded upon successful thesis completion)

‡ 3 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. 2 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.

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**MABTS SEQUENCE OF REQUIRED COURSES – Online Two-Language + Thesis Version**

FIRST YEAR		SUMMER	FALL	JAN-TERM	SPRING
MA200	Online Student Orientation-	0			
NT301	Greek I	3			
ST300	Covenant Theology		3		
NT303	Greek II		3		
	Electives‡		3		
NT305	NT Exegesis				3
ST330	Sin, Christ & Salvation				3
	Church History§				3
<b>TOTAL HOURS: 21</b>		<b>3</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>9</b>
SECOND YEAR		SUMMER	FALL	JAN-TERM	SPRING
NT320	Gospels		3		
OT301	Hebrew I		3		
ST310	God & Humanity: Foundations of Counseling		3		
NT330	Acts & Pauline Epistles				3
OT303	Hebrew II				3
ST350	Spirit, Church & Last Things				3
<b>TOTAL HOURS: 18</b>		<b>0</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>9</b>
THIRD YEAR		SUMMER	FALL	JAN-TERM	SPRING
OT305	OT Exegesis	3			
OT320	Pentateuch	2			
NT350	Pastoral & General Epistles & Revelation		3		
OT330	OT Historical Books		3		
ST360	Christian Ethics		3		
AT499	MA Capstone				1
MA397	Thesis Supervision I				(2)
OT340	Psalms & Wisdom Literature				3
	Electives‡				2
<b>TOTAL HOURS: 22</b>		<b>5</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>8</b>
FOURTH YEAR		SUMMER	FALL	JAN-TERM	SPRING
MA398	Thesis Supervision II		(2)		
OT350	Prophetic Books		3		
<b>TOTAL HOURS: 5</b>		<b>0</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>TOTAL DEGREE HOURS</b>					<b>66</b>

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## **SUMMARY OF DEGREE REQUIREMENTS**

### BIBLE EXAM

CURRICULUM HOURS: 66 (57 core hours; 5 elective hours; 4 thesis 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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