

MASTER OF THEOLOGY IN BIBLICAL STUDIES

(Two Year Program, 64 Quarter Units)

Graduation Requirements: 64 units (2 years)

Courses	Quarter Units	Number of Classes (4 credit)
Major Course-Biblical Studies	28	7
Electives	36	9
Exit Examination	0	0
Total	64	16

Residence requirement: 18 units to be taken at Living Water University

Program Description

The Master of Theology in Biblical Studies is designed to prepare students for further study, in preparation for a Ph.D., or employment that requires a master's degree. This program concentrates especially on the upper division biblical courses including biblical languages, methods of exegesis, theology and hermeneutics. The program also emphasizes post-colonial methods and critical study of the Hebrew Bible and Greek New Testament.

Students planning to apply for Ph.D. programs should check the requirements for doctoral programs in their anticipated field of specialization, and consult with faculty in the field, for specific guidance in planning their course of study.

Program Objectives

- To provide students with a practical Biblical foundation for Christian living.
- To prepare students to effectively serve in a chosen field of ministry
- To enable students to be basically conversant in the fields of theology and history of Christianity.
- To engender a grasp of academic study of the Bible, from a number of critical perspectives and hermeneutical methodologies.
- To be able to integrate the historical-critical study of the Bible into a faith environment, such as parish and community contexts of living Christian traditions.
- To prepare the student for further academic study, if desired, in the field of Biblical Studies.

Admission Requirement

Applicants must meet the following minimum requirements to be considered for admission to the Master of Theology in Biblical Studies program:

Applicants for admission must hold a Bachelor of Arts or equivalent degree from university or college with at least a cumulative grade point average of 2.75 (4.00 scale). The following documents must be submitted to the office of admission by the appropriate deadline:

1. A completed Application for Admission form

- 2. Application fee of \$100 (non-refundable)
- 3. Official transcripts from every college, university or seminary attended beyond high school to be sent directly to Living Water University
- 4. Two recommendations sent directly to LWU (One from applicant's minister and one from an academic advisor or professor)

Program Requirements

As stated above, a minimum of 28 units must be completed in the concentration of Biblical Studies. The remaining 28 units are to be taken as electives and may be derived from Biblical Studies as well as the other areas of Church History and Systematic Theology. Students are also required to take one semester of a Biblical language: Greek or Hebrew. Courses offered may vary from one semester to another.

Category	Course Title	Course	Quarter
		Number	Units
Biblical Studies	Bible Exposition	BS401	4
Old	History of the Old Testament	OT400	4
Testament	Pentateuch	OT410	4
	Wisdom Literature	OT445	4
	Selected Psalms	OT447	4
	Apocrypha and Pseudepigrapha	OT460	4
	Technology and the Dead Sea Scrolls	OT485	4
New	New Testament Introduction	NT400	4
Testament	The Four Gospels	NT410	4
	A Study of Mark	NT412	4
	Pauline Epistles	NT420	4
	Deutero-Pauline and Pastoral Epistles	NT425	4
	General Epistles	NT427	4
	Acts	NT430	4
	Luke-Acts	NT431	4
	Late Second Temple Judaism/ Judaism of Jesus	NT471	4
	Day		
	Religions of the Greco-Roman World: The New	NT472	4
	Testament in Context		
Biblical	Hebrew I	BL401	4
Languages	Hebrew II	BL402	4
	Greek I	BL403	4
	Greek II	BL404	4
Theology	Doctrine of God	ST504	4
	Doctrine of Jesus Christ	ST605	4
	Doctrine of Man and Sin	ST 608	4
	Doctrine of Church	ST609	4
Church	History of Early Church	HT401	4
History	Reformation History	HT403	4
	History of Modern Church	HT404	4

Master of Theology Class Sequence

	Fall Quarter	Winter Quarter	Spring Quarter	Summer Quarter
Year One	BL403 Greek I <u>or</u> BL401 Hebrew I NT400 New Testament Intro	OT400 History of OT NT410 Four Gospels	OT401 Pentateuch B&T Elective	B&T Elective B&T Elective
Year Two	B&T Elective B&T Elective B&T Elective	B&T Elective NT420 Pauline Epistles B&T Elective	B&T Elective B&T Elective	B&T Elective B&T Elective Exit Examination

B&T Elective: Choose from Biblical Studies (NT or OT), Theology or Church History Classes

Master of Divinity

(Three Year Program, 96 Units)

Graduation Requirements: 96 units (3 years)

Course	Quarter Units	Number of Classes (4 credits)
Bible and Theology Requirement	28	7
Professional Ministry Requirement	44	11
Electives	24	6
Exit Examination	0	0
Total	96	24

Residence Requirement: 45 units to be taken at Living Water University.

Program Description

The Master of Divinity program is designed to equip dedicated Christians for various ministries in the church setting, including the ordained ministries of instruction and leadership in the church. This program emphasizes developing the capacity to study and communicate the Christian Scriptures and the theological traditions and the capacity to model and facilitate Christian spiritual formation and communal practices.

Program Objectives

- To attain basic biblical and theological understanding of the Bible.
- To be more competent in their service to others.
- To create a concern for the spiritual and psychological needs of others and an appreciation for the differences between people.
- To acquire counseling methods which are relevant and applicable to the helping and healing ministry.
- To enhance counseling skills and interpersonal relationships.