

MASTER OF THEOLOGICAL STUDIES DEGREE

The Master of Theological Studies (MTS) is a graduate degree designed for men and women pursuing a vibrant and effective lay ministry in the church. Candidates could include those who teach and lead in ministries of spiritual care, worship, youth, or adults. This degree may also serve those who desire to continue toward more education. A bachelor's degree is required for entrance into the MTS program. The Master of Theological Studies Degree is granted to seminary students upon the completion of the following academic requirements and upon the approval of the Dean of the Seminary and the Office of the Registrar.

Program Outcomes

- A. Interpret the Bible in its parts and in its whole through use of appropriate exegetical and hermeneutical methods.
- B. Articulate and apply the doctrinal teachings as set forth in the Scriptures and confessed in the CLB Statement of Faith.
- C. Demonstrate and apply knowledge and skills for leadership.
- D. Demonstrate capacity for faithful involvement in God's mission through His Church.
- E. Demonstrate personal integrity and love for God, His Church, and the world.



Two-year plan for students starting during the 2026-2027 Academic Year

Seminary Year 1

PT 400*	Intro to Seminary Education	1			
	Total Credit	1			
Fall			Spring		
EB 435*	New Testament Introduction I	2	EB 436*	New Testament Introduction II	2
HT 515	Church History	3	EB 611	Torah and Covenant History	3
ST 521	Systematic Theology I	3	HT 522	Survey of American Christianity	3
WM 457*	World Religions		ST 522	Systematic Theology II	3
	& New Religious Movements	3	PT Course	Choose from Biennial Courses	2
ELEC***	Elective Course	3			
	Total Credits	14		Total Credits	13

Seminary Year 2

Fall			Spring		
EB 612	OT Prophets	3	EB 613	OT Poetry & Wisdom	3
ST 523	Systematic Theology III	3	PT 632	Theology & Practice of Evangelism and Church Planting	3
WM 651	The Church in Mission	3	ST 636	Ethics	3
ELEC***	Elective Course	3	WM 555	Cross Cultural Communication in Mission	3
	Total Credits	12		Total Credits	12

Biennial Courses** (Choose 1)

Offered every other year

PT 511	Teaching Ministry of the Congregation	2
PT 520	Worship	2

Offered:

Spring	2027
Fall	2027

Total Bachelor's Level Credits	8
Total Master's Level Credits	44
Total Program Credits	52

* Designates bachelor's level courses.

** Biennial Courses - offered every other year.

*** Elective Courses - may be chosen from any master's level course for which the student has met the prerequisite(s).
The student may choose to substitute elective credits with directed study credits.