



Master of Theology (Th.M.) Degree

Upon completion of the Master of Theology in New Testament Studies program, the Th.M. graduate should be able to:

1. Demonstrate advanced theological and hermeneutical competence as it relates to theological thinking and biblical studies
2. Exhibit an awareness how socio-cultural contexts shape interpretations of tradition, thought, and practice
3. Demonstrate an in-depth knowledge of the field New Testament studies, including exegetical methods, and apply them to Th.M. research project.
4. Demonstrate academic rigor and competence to pursue post-graduate studies at D.Min. and Ph.D. level.
5. Demonstrate growth in Christian maturity as it relates to one's call in teaching or other ministerial pursuits

The Master of Theology (Th.M.) in New Testament Studies is an advanced academic degree program, integrating the fields of Biblical literature, theological, and historical studies, and scholarly enhancement of ministerial practices. It provides an understanding of post-graduate theological disciplines for further study and prepares students for a broad variety of effective ministries. The Th.M. graduate will demonstrate an in-depth understanding of the field of Biblical studies appropriate for advanced academic study of Scripture in the service of the Church. Students are expected to be involved in a ministry of a local church on a regular basis.

Pre-requisites:

1. MA, MDiv, MATS, or equivalent
2. REL 5300 World Religions
3. Student should have completed a minimum of 6 credit hours of Koine Greek with the ability to pursue Greek exegesis

This is the breakdown of core curriculum for the Master of Theology:

HIS 5502	Church History II	3 Credits
NTS 5560	New Testament Background	3 Credits
THE 5512	Old Testament Theology	3 Credits
THE 6612	Christian Ethics	3 Credits
THE 6300	Global Hermeneutics	3 Credits
THE 6670	Research Methods	3 Credits
THE 6690	Thesis/Practical Project	6 Credits
	Specialty Courses*	<u>24 Credits</u>
	Total	48 Credits

*Specialization Track: New Testament Studies

GRE 5220	Biblical Greek Exegesis I	3 Credits
GRE 5221	Biblical Greek Exegesis II	3 Credits
HBR 5220	Hebrew I	3 Credits
HBR 5221	Hebrew II	3 Credits
NTS 5565	Jesus and the Gospels	3 Credits
NTS 5566	Theology of Paul	3 Credits
	New Testament Electives	<u>6 Credits</u>
	Total	24 Credits