

MASTER'S DEGREE PROGRAM

MASTER OF BIBLICAL STUDIES

ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS:

Prerequisite to enroll: A recognized Bachelor's degree.

Degree is granted upon successful completion of 36 credit hours including thesis

1	BITH502 – The Gospels/The Life of Christ A chronological and synthetic study of the Gospels' accounts of Christ's birth, life, death, resurrection, and ascension.	3
2	BITH504 – Old Testament Theology I The Old Testament books of Genesis-Kings are analyzed. The theological themes of these books are identified and traced throughout the Bible.	3
3	BITH505 – Old Testament Theology II Latter Prophets & Writings The Old Testament books of Job-Malachi are analyzed. The theological themes of these books are identified and traced throughout the Bible.	3
4	BITH506 – Basic Hebrew Essentials of biblical Hebrew grammar: orthography, morphophonemics, vocabulary; historical developments; readings and exercises.	3
5	BITH536 – Introduction to Missions	3

	"Missio Dei" is the idea that God is actively working to reconcile His creation to Himself through Jesus Christ. This course presents an overview of the theology of missions, as well as current trends in missions.	
6	BITH551 – Biblical Interpretation The aim of this course is to develop a working knowledge of the basic skills of biblical interpretation. Students will be introduced to the various skills needed to work with the different types of literature, or genre, found in the Bible as well as matters of context and content. The goal of this course is to help students to become skilled, life-long exegetes of God's Word.	3
7	BITH575 – Comparative Religions Comparative religion is the branch of the study of religions concerned with the systematic comparison of the doctrines and practices, themes, and impacts (including migration) of the world's religions.	3
8	BITH576 – Christian Ethics and Excellence	3

	This course will approach ethics on a scriptural basis. It will not be too concerned with secular ethics, either traditional or contemporary, except as they relate to Biblical ethics.	
9	BITH599 – Thesis (6 Credits)	6
10	BITH600 – Apologetics In this course, students compare biblical, historical, and recent approaches to defending faith in God, Christ, and Scripture.	3
11	BITH630 – Church History I – From Pentecost to Reformation In this course, students discover how the Church's doctrine, faith, and practice developed from Pentecost to the time of the Protestant Reformation.	3
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2	BITH536 – Introduction to Missions "Missio Dei" is the idea that God is actively working to reconcile His creation to Himself through Jesus Christ. This course presents an overview of the theology of missions, as well as current trends in missions.	3
3	BITH537 -Church Planting Biblical and historical perspectives on church planting; starting new churches in the age of the Internet; steps and procedures for establishing a mission and developing it into an organized church; practical methods and techniques used in church planting	3
4	BITH571 – Systematic Theology 1 A systematic study of Christian theology with special attention given to	3

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7	BITH590 – Introduction to Biblical Counseling The nature and principles of biblical counseling, techniques and theories of counseling; patterns of problem solving, the counselor and counselee relationship; the sufficiency of Scripture; and biblical conflict resolution.	3
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5	BITH572 – Systematic Theology II This course is an overview of the theological areas of	3

	prolegomena, revelation, theology proper, anthropology, and Christology.	
6	CH631 – The History of the Church Since the Reformation In this course, students survey the development of the Christian church's doctrine, faith, and practice from the Protestant Reformation to the present.	3
7	BITH575 – Comparative Religions Comparative religion is the branch of the study of religions concerned with the systematic comparison of the doctrines and practices, themes, and impacts (including migration) of the world's religions.	3
8	BITH 599 – Thesis (6 Credits)	6
9	BITH601 – Contemporary Theology I This course introduces students to the major movements and thinkers, theologians and philosophers in the Christian tradition since the eighteenth-century Enlightenment, together with an examination of	3

	their philosophical backgrounds. Part I: Barth through Tillich. Part II: Vatican II to postmoderm theologies.	
10	BITH602 – Contemporary Theology II This course introduces students to the major movements and thinkers, theologians and philosophers in the Christian tradition since the eighteenth-century Enlightenment, together with an examination of their philosophical backgrounds. Part I: Barth through Tillich. Part II: Vatican II to postmoderm theologies.	3
11	BITH551 – Biblical Interpretation The aim of this course is to develop a working knowledge of the basic skills of biblical interpretation. Students will be introduced to the various skills needed to work with the different types of literature, or genre, found in the Bible as well as matters of context and content. The goal of this course is to help students to become skilled, life-long exegetes of God's Word.	3

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