

Master of Divinity Degree

(See the TBS 2006-2007 Catalog, Pp. 74-75)

Purpose

The Master of Divinity (M.Div.) program is designed to prepare competent Bible expositors who are qualified to serve effectively as pastors or leaders in other Christian ministries, including the chaplaincy. The curriculum gives both a basic foundation for the work of the ministry and a balanced, well-rounded Biblical and theological perspective.

Objectives

To enable the student to demonstrate:

- a. A thorough knowledge and understanding of the Bible as the verbally inspired Word of God and the infallible rule of faith
- b. Competence to do Biblical research, including exegesis in the Hebrew and Greek texts of the Bible
- c. An understanding of conservative Christian theology and skill in applying its tenets in ministry
- d. Competence in preaching and teaching the Bible effectively
- e. Knowledge of the Biblical foundations for the local church and ability to lead the various ministries of the local church
- f. A desire to be Christlike and a burden for evangelism and missions

Admission

The applicant must have a Bachelor of Arts degree, Bachelor of Science degree, or the equivalent from a recognized college.

Curriculum

Areas Sem. Hours	75
Biblical Studies/Old Testa. /New Testa. (+) 15 Bi 503 Biblical Hermeneutics (3) OT 500 Old Testament Survey* (3) OT 600 Old Testament Introduction (3) NT 500 New Testament Survey* (3) NT 600 New Testament Introduction (3) Biblical Languages [Hebrew/Greek Track] 18 OT 511 Elementary Hebrew (3) OT 512 Intermediate Hebrew (3) OT 611 Intro. to Hebrew Syntax/Exegesis (3) NT 611 Elementary Greek (3) NT 612 Intermediate Greek (3) NT 711 Intro. to Greek Syntax/Exegesis (3) Biblical Languages [English Track] 18 OT 509/510 Hebrew Study Tools (3) OT ENG/HEB Electives (6) NT 509/510 Hebrew Study Tools (3) NT ENG/GRK Electives (6)	Theology (+) 12 TH 501 Sys. Theo. I* or Sub: ____ (3) TH 502 Sys. Theo. II* or Sub: ____ (3) <i>Choose two:</i> Apol./Theo. Elective (6) Church History 9 CH 601 Ancient – Reformation (3) CH 602 Great Awakening – Present (3) CH 603 Baptist History and Distinctives (3) Missions/Evangelism (+)..... 6 ME 501 Personal Evangelism* (3) ME 502 Global Focus of the Local Church (3) Discipleship/Christ. Educa./Church Ministry 9 CE 502 Intro. to Dis./ C.E. in the Lo.Ch. (3) CM 706 Church Administration (3) CE/CM Elective _____ (3) Pastoral Theology (+) 6 PT 603 Leadership (3) PT 604 Spiritual Life (3)

N.B.: The student takes only the Hebrew/Greek Track or the English Track in Biblical Languages.

Specialization/Focus Electives (+) **15**
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TOTAL **90**

* Required for students without undergraduate equivalence

+ Core Courses—minimum passing grade is C

** Students preparing for the chaplaincy are advised to complete six of the eight semester hours of Field Education through Clinical Pastoral Education or the equivalent.

Specific Graduation Requirements

The completion of 90 hours of classes with a GPA of 2.00.