



ADULT EDUCATION YOU CAN HAVE FAITH IN.

MASTER OF ARTS IN THEOLOGICAL STUDIES – BIBLICAL STUDIES

The Master of Arts in Theological Studies (MATS) –Biblical Studies is designed for individuals who desire to study the Word of God and ground their faith in the rich theological truths found within its pages. This degree will prepare students in any profession who would like to increase their biblical knowledge and to bring to bear a Christian worldview on their profession. The Biblical Studies concentration was designed for students who plan to use the biblical languages (i.e., Hebrew and Greek) in their ministries. Students can also use this concentration to prepare for a doctoral program in Old Testament Studies or New Testament Studies. The Master of Arts in Theological Studies is also designed to prepare students for additional graduate studies.

Program Cost

Academic year 2012–13

- Tuition: \$465 per credit
- Books: \$1,000 (est.)

Program Delivery

- On site, one night a week
- Online

MATS – Biblical Studies Coursework (36 credits)

BIA5011	Spiritual Formation	2
MIN5110	Self-awareness in Leadership	2
BIA5015	Biblical Hermeneutics	4
BIA5017	Bible in Its World	4
BIA5019	History of Christianity	4
BIA6111	New Testament Exegetical Methods	2
BIB6112	New Testament Exposition: Ephesians	4
ACL6113	Beginning Hebrew 1	4
ACL6114	Beginning Hebrew 2	4
BIA6115	Old Testament Exegetical Methods	2
BIB6116	Old Testament Exposition: Jeremiah	4

Timeframe

Master of Arts in Theological Studies – Biblical Studies coursework can be completed in approximately two years.

BIA5011 Spiritual Formation 2 cr

A study of biblical principles for the spiritual growth of self and others. This course includes the study of worldviews, Christianity and culture, and the life of the mind.

MIN5110 Self-awareness in Leadership 2 cr

This course is designed to help students become more aware of their calling, strengths, and growth areas. Personality, spiritual gifts, and general biblical knowledge, spiritual growth and family of origin issues will be assessed.

BIA5015 Biblical Hermeneutics 4 cr

This is an advanced course in hermeneutics in which students will learn about the formation of the Bible, the history of biblical interpretation, modern critical methods, and current challenges to biblical interpretation.

BIA5017 Bible in Its World 4 cr

An introduction to the history and thought-world of the Old and New Testaments. Emphasis is on the study of primary sources, principally the literature of the surrounding world, and the intersection of the ideas of those writings with those of the Bible.

BIA5019 History of Christianity 3 cr

In this course, students will survey the history of the church from its birth in the first century A.D. to its current manifestations in the 21st century. Attention will be given to the people and events that contributed to the growth and development of Christianity.

BIA6111 New Testament Exegetical Methods 2 cr

(PQ: Greek Qualifying Exam score of 140 or above or equivalent transfer course). A study of the methods of New Testament exegesis, including textual criticism, grammatical analysis, and word studies.

BIB6112 New Testament Exposition: Ephesians 4 cr

(PQ: BIA6111) In this course, students will apply the skills learned in New Testament Exegetical Methods to Ephesians. This will include a study of the socio-historical context of Ephesians and the logical flow of thought in this Pauline epistle.

ACL6113 Beginning Hebrew I 4 cr

This course is part one in a two-part sequence that introduces students to elements of Classical (Biblical) Hebrew including morphology, syntax, and vocabulary.

ACL6114 Beginning Hebrew II 4 cr

(PQ: ACL6113) This is the second course in the sequence that introduces students to elements of Classical (Biblical) Hebrew including morphology, syntax, and vocabulary.

BIA6115 Old Testament Exegetical Methods 2 cr

A study of the methods of Old Testament exegesis, including textual criticism, grammatical analysis, and word studies.

BIB6116 Old Testament Exposition: Jeremiah 2 cr

(PQ: BIA6115) In this course, students will apply the skills learned in Old Testament Exegetical Methods to Jeremiah. This will include a study of the socio-historical context of Jeremiah and the logical flow of thought in this important book.