



BETHANY

Divinity College and Seminary

**SEMINARY
DIVISION**

BETHANY'S SEMINARY DIVISION

PURPOSE

The purpose of the seminary division is to provide professional graduate and postgraduate ministerial educational programs to help persons whom God has called to Christian service prepare for their respective ministries.

The seminary seeks to accomplish this purpose through a well-designed curriculum of study in the disciplines of Biblical Theology, Educational Theology, and Ministry Theology. These three tracks of study enable students to grow toward full maturity in Christ Jesus, and carry out the Great Commission as stated in Matthew 28:18-20.

COMMITMENT

Bethany Seminary is committed to the inerrancy and infallibility of the word of God and stand for the fundamentals of the faith once delivered to the saints (Jude 3). The seminary is of the "old school of thought" believing that it is more important for the minister to know the Bible than to know books about the Bible. Moreover, all members of Bethany's faculty have submitted in writing their commitment to the essentials embedded in the School's Statement of Faith.

EXPECTATIONS

Bethany is not just an external study school offering courses by extension, but a seminary with a well developed and thought out curriculum. Programs are demanding on students, helping equip them with the knowledge needed to carry out the work of the ministry. There are no short cuts written into the course requirements of Bethany's curriculum. External study students are expected to do as well as those who attend on-site or any other resident college or seminary program.

CHARACTERISTICS

In Old Testament times, especially during the life of Elijah, there was what is known as the school of the prophets. The students were referred to as "the sons of the prophets." These men trained under Elijah and many became prophets in their own rights. Some are found listed among the Minor Prophets. Jesus took twelve men and taught them for three years. It is with this background that Bethany seeks to educate men and women who have been called of God for Christian service, whether it be in the pastorate, in a special field of service, or preaching and teaching the Word of God.

Courses offered by the seminary are in Bible and Bible related subjects. Each module is put into the curriculum to help equip students with the proper knowledge relating to their selected fields of service.

Bethany's main purpose is to educate men and women for the ministry rather than secular occupations. Our Lord taught His twelve disciples to minister to the needs of others in the Name of His Heavenly Father, "*as my Father hath sent me, even so send I you*" (John 20:21). Paul stated in II Timothy 2:4, "*No man that warreth entangleth himself with the affairs of this life; that he may please him who hath chosen him to be a soldier.*" Therefore, let it be known that Bethany has been raised up to educate those who have been called of God to serve as pastors, missionaries, evangelists, Christian teachers and Christian counselors.

OBJECTIVES

The objectives of the seminary division of Bethany is to produce graduates:

- Who will be able to communicate the Word of God to others;
- Who can expound the Holy Scriptures in a systematic manner;
- Who will manifest spiritual maturity, and an ability to defend their faith against the onslaught of false teaching and human secularism;
- Who will be able to acquire knowledge through methodological research and use the available resources and technology for such purposes;
- Who are able to demonstrate how to apply the knowledge that has been acquired through both the written and spoken Word;
- Who are as well equipped as those who attend traditional colleges and seminaries.

PROGRAM DESIGN

Most seminaries are three-year institutions. In recent years traditional seminaries have added a fourth year and some a fifth year. After conducting a survey, Bethany learned that many of the courses and textbooks offered in traditional seminaries are virtually the same as those taught in the college division of the school.

Bethany offers seven years of Bible programs, four years in the college division and three years in the seminary division. Students enrolling in the freshman year at the undergraduate level and continuing on through the senior year of the graduate program, would complete more credits in Bible, Theology, and Bible related subjects than most traditional seminaries provide.

It is suggested that the student select one of the three specific tracks offered by Bethany in the graduate division. Each option charts the path that should be taken in moving from the master's level of study to the doctoral level.

WHY A TRACK?

The curriculum design and educational focus developed by Bethany is expressed by three central ideas. These include Biblical Theology designed to study God's Word at an in-depth level; Educational Theology designed for persons in church education or teaching ministry; and Ministry Theology designed for persons wishing to serve as pastors, missionaries, or Christian counselors.

These tracks of study allow the student to focus on one of the three emphases. This does not mean that a student, having selected one of the tracks of study, cannot choose to study a course subject in another track. What it does mean is the student shall choose a concentration from only one track. Courses selected from a second track are to reinforce the student's degree program, rounding out the appropriate knowledge in a chosen field.

LANGUAGE REQUIREMENTS

The main purpose for the seminary student learning a foreign language is to make possible an intelligent reading of the classical writings such as Hebrew and Greek. These works have been translated into English and through modern technology and advanced Bible study tools, students are able to enjoy the benefit of classical Hebrew and Greek without having an in-depth knowledge of these languages. Bethany does provide an introductory course in Hebrews and Greek.

BIBLICAL THEOLOGY TRACK

Option #1 (Concentration)

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| Master of Arts in Religion (Bible) | 36 credits |
| Doctor of Philosophy in Religion (Bible) | 60 credits |

Option #2

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| Master of Theological Studies | 60 credits |
| Doctor of Theological Studies | 40 credits |
| Master of Divinity | 90 credits |

Option #3

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| Doctor of Applied Theology | 40 credits |
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EDUCATIONAL THEOLOGY TRACK

Only Option (Concentration)

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| Master of Arts in Religion (Christian Ed.) | 36 credits |
| Doctor of Philosophy in Religion (Christian Ed.) | 60 credits |

MINISTRY THEOLOGY TRACK

Option #1 (Concentration)

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| Master of Ministry (Pastoral Ministry) | 36 credits |
| Doctor of Ministry (Pastoral Ministry) | 54 credits |

Option #2

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|--|------------|
| Master of Arts in Religion (Christian Counseling) | 36 credits |
| Doctor of Philosophy in Religion (Christian Counseling) | 60 credits |

Option #3

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|----------------------------------|------------|
| Master of Ministry (Missiology) | 36 credits |
| Doctor of Missiology | 54 credits |

BIBLICAL THEOLOGY TRACK

Option #1

Master of Arts in Religion Doctor of Philosophy in Religion (Concentration – Bible)

PURPOSE

The Master of Arts in Religion and the Doctor of Philosophy in Religion degrees with a concentration in Bible are designed to provide a Biblical foundation for various kinds of Christian service other than pulpit ministry or pastoring. Through these programs graduates are equipped to serve in churches as lay leaders, or vocationally in a variety of church and parachurch ministries.

The nature of seminary studies demands that the curriculum be Bible centered. It is the school's belief that a person is not truly educated without a basic knowledge of the Bible's teachings. Knowledge comes from God and the Bible is the very Word of God, which speaks with Divine Authority.

The Seminary maintains this concentration in order to provide students the Biblical studies required to accomplish their educational goals in the area of Bible.

OBJECTIVES

The objectives of these programs are basic to the Institution's general purpose and philosophy, and are in keeping with the objectives of the seminary division in particular.

Specifically, these programs of study enable students to:

- Demonstrate advance knowledge of the Bible, including a comprehensive understanding of the major books;
- Develop an understanding of the underlying principles of Biblical interpretation;
- Apply correct Biblical principles in decision making and personal Christian growth;
- Make effective use of the Bible in a particular ministry or in general Christian service;
- Develop understanding of the historical application of religion in America and elsewhere;
- Develop a working knowledge of the various manuscripts and translations of the Bible;
- Achieve skills in research methodology and preparation of major research projects.

Master of Arts in Religion (Concentration - Bible)

The Master of Arts in Religion program is designed for those whose goal is to develop a diversified Biblical understanding for general educational purposes. The courses offered allow students to strengthen the scriptural base for life and work, whether in a secular occupation or in the Christian ministry.

PREREQUISITES

Prerequisite for enrollment in this program is an earned Bachelor of Arts degree (Concentration in Bible) or its equivalent from Bethany or an acceptable college.

COURSE REQUIREMENTS

To receive this degree, the student must complete the following 36-semester hour program of specified courses beyond the Bachelor's level:

| | | |
|--------------|-------------------------|-------------|
| Bi-511 | Intro. to Old Testament | 3SH |
| Bi-501 | Genesis | 3SH |
| Bi-502 | Hebrews | 3SH |
| Bi-504 | The Life of Christ | 3SH |
| Bi-505 | Mosaic Writings | 3SH |
| Bi-506 | Romans | 3SH |
| Bi-507 | The Gospel of John | 3SH |
| Bi-509 | Typology | 3SH |
| Ph-503 | Advanced Hermeneutics | 3SH |
| Th-505 | Eschatology | 3SH |
| Ph-601 | Advanced Apologetics I | 3SH |
| Bi-508 | Independent Research | <u>3SH</u> |
| TOTAL | | 36SH |

Successful completion of the required work in this Master of Arts in Religion program prepares the student for enrollment into the Doctor of Philosophy in Religion degree program with a Concentration in Bible.

Doctor of Philosophy in Religion (Concentration Bible)

The Doctor of Philosophy in Religion degree is designed to equip students for creative scholarship and independent research. It is specifically designed for those who desire a broad range of study in Religion and Biblical curriculum and it seeks to develop the student's capacity for critical evaluation and quality research. Producing the kind of creative scholarship, which can enable the student to contribute to the field of theological knowledge and literature, is the goal of this intensive program.

PREREQUISITES

Prerequisite for enrollment in this program is an earned Master of Arts degree (Concentration in Bible) or its equivalent from Bethany or an acceptable college.

COURSE REQUIREMENTS

To receive this degree, the student must complete the following 60-semester hour program of specified courses beyond the Master's level:

| | | |
|--------------|-----------------------------------|-------------|
| Rel-604 | Bible Archaeology | 3SH |
| Rel-701 | History of Christianity | 3SH |
| Bi- 601 | Expositional Methods | 3SH |
| Bi-602 | Bible Exposition (Gen-Deut) | 3SH |
| Bi-701 | Bible Exposition (Matt-Mk) | 3SH |
| Ph-603 | Directed Reading (Philosophy) | 3SH |
| Th-603 | New Testament Theology | 3SH |
| Th-601 | Seminar | 3SH |
| Ls-601 | Computer Skills | 3SH |
| Rel-703 | Life and Times of Christ I | 3SH |
| Rel-704 | Life and Times of Christ II | 3SH |
| Th-602 | Old Testament Theology | 3SH |
| Th-604 | Reformation Theology | 3SH |
| Ph-601 | Advanced Apologetics I | 3SH |
| Ph-602 | Advanced Apologetics II | 3SH |
| Bi-603 | Bible Exposition (Joshua-2 Kings) | 3SH |
| Bi-702 | Bible Exposition (Luke-John) | 3SH |
| Ls- 602 | Research & Methodology | 3SH |
| Ph- 701 | Thesis (20,000 words) | <u>6SH</u> |
| TOTAL | | 60SH |

BIBLICAL THEOLOGY TRACK

Option #2

Master or Doctor of Theological Studies

This option in the Biblical Theology Track enables a student to complete two programs consisting of two steps. The first step is earning the Master of Theological Studies by completing 60 SH credits. The student then enrolls in the second step is the D.T.S. program, requiring 40 SH credits. The Master of Theological Studies degree carries a greater depth of study in the field of Theology and prepares the student for enrolling into the Doctor of Theological Studies program.

PURPOSE

The combined programs in this option are designed to produce competent Bible expositors that are qualified to serve God effectively as Bible teachers, missionaries, or leaders in other areas of vocational Christian ministry.

The nature of seminary studies demand that the curriculum be Bible centered. However, this area of study demands a specialized area of Bible study focusing on an in-depth study of God.

The seminary maintains this concentration in order to provide students the theological studies required for accomplishing their educational goals in the area of theology.

OBJECTIVES

The objectives of these programs are basic to the Institution's general purpose and philosophy, and are in keeping with the objectives of the seminary division in particular.

Specifically, these programs of study enable student to:

- Develop a deeper understanding of God proper, God's Word and a methodology for lifelong Biblical study;
- Develop an understanding of the underlying principles of Biblical interpretation;
- Apply correct Biblical principles in decision making and personal Christian growth;
- Teach Biblical content to others effectively;
- Achieve skills in the area of research methodology and preparation of major research projects.

Master of Theological Studies

This degree is the second of three steps in achieving the Doctor of Theological Studies degree. Students working on the course requirements for this program continue to explore greater depths in Theology.

PREREQUISITES

Prerequisite for enrollment in this program is an earned Bachelor's degree with a Bible or Theology major or its equivalent from Bethany or an acceptable college.

COURSE REQUIREMENTS

To receive this degree, the student must complete the following 60SH program:

First Year Program

| | | |
|--------------|-------------------------------|-------------|
| Bi-511 | Introduction to Old Test. | 3SH |
| Bi-505 | Mosaic Writings | 3SH |
| Bi-504 | Life of Christ | 3SH |
| Bi-507 | Gospel of John | 3SH |
| Bi-506 | Romans | 3SH |
| Bi-502 | Hebrews | 3SH |
| Bi-510 | Isaiah | 3SH |
| Ph-503 | Advanced Hermeneutics | 3SH |
| Hi-501 | Christianity Through the Ages | 3SH |
| Th-503 | Christian Theology | <u>3SH</u> |
| TOTAL | | 30SH |

Second Year Program

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|--------------|-------------------------------------|-------------|
| Th-502 | Dispensationalism | 3SH |
| Th-505 | Eschatology | 3SH |
| Th-501 | Directed Reading (Divine Covenants) | 3SH |
| Ph-501 | Intro. To Philosophy | 3SH |
| Ph-502 | Comparative Religions | 3SH |
| Hi-502 | Ancient Mid East History | 3SH |
| Pm-604 | Pastoral Ministry | 3SH |
| Pm-603 | Advanced Homiletics | 3SH |
| Th-506 | Independent Research | <u>3SH</u> |
| TOTAL | | 30SH |

Successful completion of the M.T.S. program prepares the student for the D.T.S.

Doctor of Theological Studies

The D.T.S. degree is the final step in this option, whereby the student continues to explore greater depths in Theology. It is not required that the student study the original languages of Hebrew and Greek to earn this degree. It is recommended that the student be literate in computer skills, which is a language within itself.

PREREQUISITES

Prerequisite for enrollment in the D.S.T. program is an earned M.T.S. degree (60-credits) or its equivalent from Bethany or an acceptable college.

COURSE REQUIREMENTS

To receive this degree, the student must complete the following 40 SH program:

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|--------------|---|-------------|
| Th-701 | Prolegomena, Bibliology, Theology Proper, and Christology | 3SH |
| Th-702 | Angelology, Anthropology, and Hematology | 3SH |
| Th-703 | Soteriology | 3SH |
| Th-704 | Ecclesiology, Eschatology | 3SH |
| Th-705 | Christology | 3SH |
| Th-706 | Pneumatology | 3SH |
| Bi-601 | Expositional Methods | 3SH |
| Bi- 602 | Biblical Exposition (Gen-Deut) | 3SH |
| Bi-701 | Biblical Exposition (Matt-Mk) | 3SH |
| Ph-601 | Advanced Apologetics I | 3SH |
| Ph-602 | Advanced Apologetics II | 3SH |
| Th-700 | How To Write a Thesis Research | 1SH |
| Th-708 | Thesis (20,000 words) | <u>6SH</u> |
| TOTAL | | 40SH |

Upon successful completion of the above program the student will be awarded the Doctor of Theological Studies degree.

Master Of Divinity

The Master of Divinity degree is a 90 semester hour program designed for preparing the student for ordination.

PREREQUISITES

Prerequisite for enrollment in this program is an earned bachelor's degree or its equivalent from Bethany or an acceptable college.

COURSE REQUIREMENTS

The student must complete the following programs of specified courses:

First Year Program

| | | |
|--------|-------------------------------|------|
| BI-501 | Genesis | 3 SH |
| BI-502 | Hebrews | 3 SH |
| BI-504 | Life Of Christ | 3 SH |
| BI-505 | Mosaic Writings | 3 SH |
| BI-506 | Romans | 3 SH |
| BI-507 | Gospel Of John | 3 SH |
| PH-503 | Advanced Hermeneutics | 3 SH |
| CC-514 | Christian Marriage | 3 SH |
| HI-501 | Christianity Through The Ages | 3 SH |
| BI-508 | Independent Research | 3 SH |

First Year Program 30 Semester Hours **30 SH**

Second Year Program

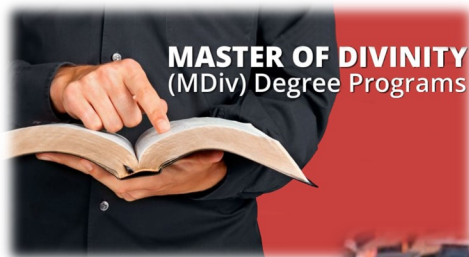
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|--------|----------------------------|------|
| TH-501 | Director Reading | 3 SH |
| Th-502 | Dispensationalism | 3 SH |
| TH-503 | Christian Theology I | 3 SH |
| TH-504 | Christian Theology II | 3 SH |
| TH-505 | Eschatology | 3 SH |
| PH-501 | Introduction to Philosophy | 3 SH |
| PH-502 | Comparative Religions | 3 SH |
| HI-502 | Ancient Mid East History | 3 SH |
| PM-502 | Church Ministry | 3 SH |
| PM-603 | Advanced Homiletics | 3 SH |

Second Year Program 30 Semester Hours **30 SH**

Third Year Program

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| PH-601 | Advanced Apologetics I | 3 SH |
| PH-602 | Advanced Apologetics II | 3 SH |
| PM-506 | Prison Chaplaincy | 3 SH |
| PM-602 | Pastoral Leadership | 3 SH |
| PM-604 | Pastoral Ministry | 3 SH |
| PM-606 | Pastoral Administration | 3 SH |
| PM-607 | Independent Work Project | 3 SH |
| CC-602 | Effective Biblical Counseling | 3 SH |
| CGS-601 | Church Growth Seminary | 3 SH |
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| BI-514 | The Study of Greek Language | 3 SH |
| BI-515 | The Study of Hebrew Language | 3 SH |
| <i>Third Year Program 30 Semester Hours</i> | | 30 SH |

Please Note: The Student Only Has To Complete One Of The Language Courses.



EDUCATIONAL THEOLOGY TRACK

Master of Arts in Religion Doctor of Philosophy in Religion (Concentration – Christian Education)

PURPOSE

The Master of Arts in Religion and the Doctor of Philosophy in Religion degrees with a Concentration in Christian Education are designed to give a Biblical and educational foundation for Christian service in the capacity of Christian school teaching or church education directing.

The nature of seminary studies demands that the curriculum be Bible centered. It is the school's position that a person is not truly educated without a basic knowledge of the Bible's teachings. Knowledge comes from God and the Bible is the very Word of God, which speaks with Divine Authority.

The seminary maintains that concentration in order to provide students the Christian education studies required, accomplishing their educational goals in the area of Christian education.

OBJECTIVES

The objectives of these programs are basic to the Institution's general purpose and philosophy, and are in keeping with the objectives of the seminary division in particular.

Specifically, these programs of study enable students to:

- Demonstrate a general knowledge of the foundation of Christian education;
- Develop an understanding of the underlying theology of Christian education;
- Developing an understanding of the historical application of Christian education;
- Apply correct Biblical principles in decision making and personal Christian growth;
- Make effective use of the Bible in a particular ministry or in general Christian service;
- Develop a working knowledge of the various manuscripts and translations of the Bible;
- Teach the principles of Christian education to others effectively; Achieve skills in research methodology and preparation of major research projects.

Master of Arts in Religion (Concentration – Christian Education)

This Master of Arts in Religion with a Concentration in Christian Education is designed for those whose goal is to minister in the field of Christian Education.

PREREQUISITES

Prerequisite for enrollment in this program is an earned Bachelor of Arts degree (Concentration – Christian Education) or its equivalent from Bethany or an acceptable college. This prerequisite should include a minimum of 18 semester hours of Bible and Bible related subjects, and 18-semester hours of Christian Education.

COURSE REQUIREMENTS

To receive this degree, the student must complete the following 36-semester hour program of specified courses beyond the Bachelor's level:

| | | |
|--------------|-------------------------------|-------------|
| Bi-504 | The Life of Christ | 3SH |
| Ce-502 | Introduction To Christian Ed. | 3SH |
| Ce-504 | A Theology of Christian Ed. | 3SH |
| Ce-503 | A History of Christian Ed. | 3SH |
| Th-503 | Christian Theology | 3SH |
| Hi-502 | Ancient Mid-East History | 3SH |
| Ce-505 | Directed Reading | 3SH |
| Ph-501 | Introduction To Philosophy | 3SH |
| Ph-502 | Comparative Religions | 3SH |
| Hi-501 | Christianity Through the Ages | 3SH |
| Ce-509 | The Art of Teaching | 3SH |
| Ce-508 | Independent Research | <u>3SH</u> |
| TOTAL | | 36SH |

Successful completion of the required work in this Master of Arts in Religion program prepares the student for enrollment into the Doctor of Philosophy in Religion degree with a Concentration in Christian Education.

Doctor of Philosophy in Religion (Concentration – Christian Education)

The Doctor of Philosophy in Religion with a Concentration in Christian Education is the final step in this study track. The program is designed for those whose goal is to achieve a Ph.D. in the field of Christian Education.

PREREQUISITES

Prerequisite for enrollment in this program is an earned Master of Arts degree (Concentration in Christian Education) or its equivalent from Bethany or an acceptable college.

COURSE REQUIREMENTS

To receive this degree, the student must complete the following 60 semester hour program of specified courses:

| | | |
|--------------|------------------------------|-------------|
| Bi-505 | Mosaic Writing | 3SH |
| Ls-602 | Research & Methodology | 3SH |
| Ce-506 | Work Project in CE | 3SH |
| Th-602 | Old Testament Theology | 3SH |
| Th-603 | New Testament Theology | 3SH |
| Th-604 | Reformation Theology | 3SH |
| Rel-703 | Life and Times of Christ I | 3SH |
| Rel-704 | Life and Times of Christ II | 3SH |
| Mi-504 | Survey of World Religions | 3SH |
| Mi-601 | Directed Reading in Missions | 3SH |
| Cc-508 | Competent To Counsel | 3SH |
| Cc-604 | Psychology and Counseling | 3SH |
| Bi-602 | OT Exposition (Gen-Deut) | 3SH |
| Bi-701 | NT Exposition (Matt-Mk) | 3SH |
| Ce-601 | Internship | 6SH |
| Ph-601 | Advanced Apologetics I | 3SH |
| Ph-602 | Advanced Apologetics II | 3SH |
| Ce-702 | Thesis | <u>6SH</u> |
| TOTAL | | 60SH |

PROFESSIONAL DEGREE PROGRAM

Bethany is offering a new professional degree program. These are designed for those who plan to limit their work to the pastorate, home missions, or Bible teaching in the local church. These programs require in-depth study on the part of the student in his or her selected field of study. Each program requires the student to hold a Master's degree or its equivalent before enrolling. To complete one of these programs the student must have 96 cumulative credits above the Bachelor's degree.

Doctor of Biblical Studies

Prerequisite: The student must hold both a Bachelor's and Master's degree in Religious Education or related fields prior to being permitted to enroll into this program.

| | | |
|--------------|------------------------------|-------------|
| Rel-604 | Bible Archaeology | 3SH |
| Rel-701 | History of Christianity | 3SH |
| Bi- 601 | Expositional Methods | 3SH |
| Bi-602 | Bible Exposition (Gen-Deut) | 3SH |
| Bi-701 | Bible Exposition (Matt-Mk) | 3SH |
| Th-603 | New Testament Theology | 3SH |
| Ls-602 | Computer Skills | 3SH |
| Rel-703 | Life and Times of Christ I | 3SH |
| Rel-704 | Life and Times of Christ II | 3SH |
| Th-602 | Old Testament Theology | 3SH |
| Ph-601 | Advanced Apologetics | 3SH |
| Ph-533 | Biblical Hermeneutics | 3SH |
| Ph-601 | Advanced Apologetics I | 3SH |
| Ph-602 | Advanced Apologetics II | 3SH |
| Bi-702 | Bible Exposition (Luke-John) | 3SH |
| Ls-602 | Research & Methodology | 3SH |
| Ph-701 | Thesis (20,000 words) | <u>6SH</u> |
| TOTAL | | 54SH |

MINISTRY THEOLOGY TRACK

Option #1

Master of Ministry / Doctor of Ministry

(Concentration – Pastoral Ministry)

PURPOSE

The Master of Ministry and the Doctor of Ministry degrees with a Concentration in Pastoral Ministry are designed to give the student a Biblical foundation for Christian service in pulpit ministry or pastoring.

The nature of seminary studies demands that the curriculum be Bible centered. It is the school's position that a person is not truly educated without a basic knowledge of the Bible's teachings. Knowledge comes from God and the Bible is the very Word of God, which speaks with Divine Authority.

The seminary maintains this concentration in order to provide students with the pastoral studies required, to achieve their educational goals in the area of pastoral ministry.

OBJECTIVES

The objectives of these programs are basic to the Institution's general purpose and philosophy, and are in keeping with the objectives of the seminary division in particular.

Specifically, these programs of study enable students to:

- Demonstrate a general knowledge of the Bible, including a comprehensive understanding of the major books;
- Develop an understanding of the underlying principles of Biblical Interpretation;
- Apply correct Biblical principles in decision making and personal Christian growth;
- Make effective use of the Bible in a particular ministry or in general Christian service;
- Develop an ability to think independently and constructively in areas vital to the ministry;
- Further develop skills in preaching, teaching, church administration, worship, and other areas of pastoral ministry;
- Develop a working knowledge of the various manuscripts and translations of the Bible.

Master of Ministry (Concentration – Pastoral Ministry)

The Master of Ministry with a Concentration in Pastoral Ministry is the first step in achieving the Doctor of Ministry degree. This program is built around a core of courses in Bible and Pastoral Ministry.

PREREQUISITES

Prerequisite for enrollment in this program is an earned Bachelor of Arts degree (concentration in Pastoral Ministry) or its equivalent from Bethany or an acceptable college.

COURSE REQUIREMENTS

To receive this degree, the student must complete the following 36-semester hour program of specified courses beyond the Bachelor’s level:

| | | |
|--------------|-----------------------------------|-------------|
| Bi-511 | Introduction to the Old Testament | 3SH |
| Bi-505 | Mosaic Writing | 3SH |
| Ph-503 | Advanced Hermeneutics | 3SH |
| Bi-506 | Romans | 3SH |
| Pm-502 | Church Ministry | 3SH |
| Cc-606 | Christian Counseling | 3SH |
| Th-503 | Christian Theology | 3SH |
| Pm-505 | Directed Reading | 3SH |
| Pm-503 | Pastoral Workshop | 3SH |
| Pm-602 | Pastoral Leadership | 3SH |
| Pm-603 | Advanced Homiletics | 3SH |
| Pm-504 | Independent Research | <u>3SH</u> |
| TOTAL | | 36SH |



Successful completion of the required work in this M. Min. program prepares the student for enrollment into the Doctor of Ministry degree with a Concentration in Pastoral Ministry.

Doctor of Ministry (Concentration – Pastoral Ministry)

The Doctor of Ministry with a Concentration in Pastoral Ministry continues to build around a core of courses in Bible and Pastoral Ministry. Through it the student is taken to an advanced level of study in this field.

PREREQUISITES

Prerequisite for enrollment in this program is an earned Master of Ministry degree (Concentration in Pastoral Ministry) or its equivalent from Bethany or an acceptable college.

COURSE REQUIREMENTS

To receive this degree, the student must complete the following 54-semester hour program of specified courses beyond the Master's level:

| | | |
|--------------|-------------------------------|-------------|
| Bi-504 | The Life of Christ | 3SH |
| Pm-605 | Expository Preaching | 3SH |
| Pm-606 | Pastoral Administration | 3SH |
| Bi-507 | Gospel of John | 3SH |
| Rel-605 | Religion in America I | 3SH |
| Rel-603 | World Religions | 3SH |
| Pm-602 | Pastoral Leadership | 3SH |
| Cc-508 | Competent To Counsel | 3SH |
| Cc-602 | Effective Biblical Counseling | 3SH |
| Bi- 601 | Old Test. Exposition | 3SH |
| Bi- 701 | New Test. Exposition | 3SH |
| Pm-603 | Advanced Homiletics | 3SH |
| Pm-609 | Directed Reading | 3SH |
| Hi-501 | Christianity Through the Ages | 3SH |
| Ph-601 | Advanced Apologetics I | 3SH |
| Ph-602 | Advanced Apologetics II | 3SH |
| Pm-711 | Pastoral Thesis | <u>6SH</u> |
| TOTAL | | 54SH |

MINISTRY THEOLOGY TRACK

Option #2

Master of Arts in Religion Doctor of Philosophy in Religion (Concentration – Christian Counseling)

PURPOSE

The Master of Arts in Religion and the Doctor of Philosophy in Religion degrees with a Concentration in Christian Counseling are designed to give the student a Biblical foundation for service in the field of Christian Counseling.

The nature of seminary studies demands that the curriculum be Bible centered. It is the school's position that a person is not truly educated without a basic knowledge of the Bible's teachings. Knowledge comes from God and the Bible is the very Word of God, which speaks with Divine Authority.

The seminary maintains this concentration in order to provide students the counseling studies required to accomplishing their educational goals in the area of Christian counseling.

OBJECTIVES

The objectives of these programs are basic to the Institution's general purpose and philosophy, and are in keeping with the objectives of the seminary division in particular.

Specifically, these programs of study enable students to:

- Demonstrate a general knowledge of the Bible, including a comprehensive understanding of the major books;
- Develop an understanding of the underlying principles of Biblical interpretation;
- Apply correct Biblical principles in decision making and personal Christian growth;
- Make effective use of the Bible in a particular ministry or in general Christian service;
- Develop an ability to think independently and constructively in areas vital to the ministry;
- Further develop skills in preaching, teaching, church administration, worship, and other areas of pastoral ministry;
- Develop a working knowledge of the various manuscripts and translations of the Bible;
- Further develop skills in Christian Counseling.

Master of Arts in Religion

(Concentration – Christian Counseling)

The M.A. in Religion with a concentration in C.C. is the first step in achieving the Ph.D. in Religion with a concentration in C.C. This program is built around a core of courses in Bible and Counseling.

PREREQUISITES

Prerequisite for enrollment in this program is an earned B.A. degree (concentration in Christian Counseling) or its equivalent or an acceptable college.

COURSE REQUIREMENTS

To receive this degree, the student must complete the following 36SH program of specified courses beyond the Bachelor’s level:

| | | |
|--------------|--------------------------------|-------------|
| Cc-501 | Anxiety & Compulsive Disorders | 3SH |
| Cc-507 | Premarital Counseling | 3SH |
| Cc-508 | Competent to Counsel | 3SH |
| Cc-511 | Nouthetic Counseling | 3SH |
| Cc-509 | Comparative Counseling | 3SH |
| Cc-601 | Christian Counselor’s Casework | 3SH |
| Cc-514 | Christian Marriage | 3SH |
| Ph-503 | Advanced Hermeneutics | 3SH |
| Bi-504 | The Life of Christ | 3SH |
| Bi-505 | Mosaic Writings | 3SH |
| Hi-501 | Christianity Through the Ages | 3SH |
| Cc-513 | Independent Research | <u>3SH</u> |
| TOTAL | | 36SH |

Successful completion of the required work in this Master of Arts program prepares the student for enrollment in the Ph.D. in Religion degree with a concentration in Christian Counseling.

Doctor of Philosophy in Religion

(Concentration - Christian Counseling)

The Ph.D. in Religion degree with a concentration in C.C. is built around a core of courses in Bible and Counseling. Through it the student is taken to an advanced level of study in this field.

PREREQUISITES

Prerequisite for enrollment in this program is an earned Master of Arts degree (concentration in Christian Counseling) or its equivalent from Bethany or an acceptable college.

COURSE REQUIREMENTS

To receive this degree, the student must complete the following 60SH program of specified courses beyond the Master level:

| | | |
|--------------|---------------------------------|-------------|
| Cc-605 | Psychology of Counseling | 3SH |
| Cc-701 | Psychological Research | 3SH |
| Cc-602 | Effective Biblical Counseling | 3SH |
| Cc-603 | Listening and Human Personality | 3SH |
| Cc-604 | Counseling and Addiction | 3SH |
| Cc-606 | Christian Counseling | 3SH |
| Cc-702 | Psychology and Counseling | 3SH |
| Cc-801 | Counseling Internship | 3SH |
| Cc-512 | Directed Reading | 3SH |
| Bi-505 | Mosaic Writings | 3SH |
| Rel-701 | History of Christianity | 3SH |
| Rel-704 | Life and Times of Christ | 3SH |
| Bi-601 | Expositional Methods | 3SH |
| B-701 | NT Exposition (Matt-Mk) | 3SH |
| HI-502 | Ancient Mid-East History | 3SH |
| Ph-601 | Advanced Apologetics I | 3SH |
| Ph-602 | Advanced Apologetics II | 3SH |
| Ls-602 | Research and Methodology | 3SH |
| Cc-802 | Thesis | <u>6SH</u> |
| TOTAL | | 60SH |

MINISTRY THEOLOGY TRACK

Option #3

Master of Ministry (Concentration Missiology)

Doctor of Missiology

PURPOSE

The M. Min., with a concentration in Missiology, and the D. Miss. degrees are designed to give the student a Biblical foundation for service in the field of Missiology.

The nature of seminary studies demands a Bible centered curriculum. It is the school's position that a person is not truly educated without a basic knowledge of the Bible's teachings. Knowledge comes from God and the Bible is the very Word of God, which speaks with Divine Authority.

The seminary maintains this concentration in order to provide students the Missiology studies required to accomplish their educational goals in the area of Missiology.

OBJECTIVES

The objectives of these programs are basic to the Institution's general purpose and philosophy, and are in keeping with the objectives of the seminary division in particular. Specifically, these programs of study enable students to:

Demonstrate a general knowledge of the Bible, including a comprehensive understanding of the major books;

- Develop an understanding of the underlying principles of Biblical interpretation;
- Develop a working knowledge of the various manuscripts and translations of the Bible;
- Apply correct Biblical principles in decision making and personal Christian growth;
- Make effective use of the Bible in a particular ministry or in general Christian service;
- Develop an ability to think independently and constructively in areas vital to the ministry;
- Further develop knowledge of cultural diversity and world religions;
- Develop an understanding of the fundamental issues of missions.

Master of Ministry (Concentration – Missiology)

The M. Min. with a concentration in Missiology is the first step in achieving the D. Min. with a concentration in Missions. This program contains a core of courses in missions.

PREREQUISITES

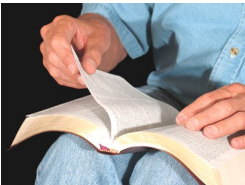
Prerequisite for enrollment in this program is an earned B.A. degree (concentration in Missions) or its equivalent from Bethany or an acceptable college.

COURSE REQUIREMENTS

To receive this degree, the student must complete the following 36 SH program:

| | | |
|--------------|------------------------------|-------------|
| Bi-505 | Mosaic Writings | 3SH |
| Mi-504 | Survey of World Missions | 3SH |
| Mi-505 | Anthropology | 3SH |
| Ph-503 | Advanced Hermeneutics | 3SH |
| Mi-506 | History of Missions | 3SH |
| Bi-504 | The Life of Christ | 3SH |
| Bi-506 | Romans | 3SH |
| Bi-507 | The Gospel of John | 3SH |
| Mi-507 | A Theology of Missions | 3SH |
| Mi-502 | Directed Reading in Missions | 3SH |
| Mi-503 | Missionary Internship | 3SH |
| Mi-508 | Independent Research | <u>3SH</u> |
| TOTAL | | 36SH |

Successful completion of the required work in this M. Min. program prepares the student for enrollment in the Doctor of Missiology degree.



*“All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness.”
II Timothy 3:16*

Doctor of Missiology

The D.Miss. degree with a concentration in Missions is built around a core of courses in Missions. Through it the student is taken to an advanced level of study in this field.

PREREQUISITES

Prerequisite for enrollment in this program is an earned M. Min. degree (concentration in Missions) or its equivalent from Bethany or an acceptable college.

COURSE REQUIREMENTS

To receive this degree, the student must complete the following 54SH program of specified courses beyond the Master’s level:

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|--------------|-------------------------------|-------------|
| Mi-601 | Directed Reading in Missions | 3SH |
| Pm-602 | Advanced Homiletics | 3SH |
| Pm-606 | Pastoral Administration | 3SH |
| Mi-602 | Missions Practicum | 3SH |
| Rel-605 | Religion in America I | 3SH |
| Pm-701 | Pastoral Theology | 3SH |
| Hi-501 | Christianity Through the Ages | 3SH |
| Cc-508 | Competent to Counsel | 3SH |
| Pm-605 | Expository Preaching | 3SH |
| Bi-601 | Expositional Methods | 3SH |
| Ls-601 | Computer Skills | 3SH |
| Ls-602 | Research and Methodology | 3SH |
| Mi-601 | Seminar | 3SH |
| Rel-603 | World Religions | 3SH |
| Ph-601 | Advanced Apologetics I | 3SH |
| Ph-602 | Advanced Apologetics II | 3SH |
| Mi-701 | Thesis | <u>6SH</u> |
| TOTAL | | 54SH |

*“If God has called you to be a missionary,
don’t stoop to be the president of the United
States.”*

Mrs. Laura Barnard, Missionary to India



Doctor of Applied Theology

The D.A.T. degree is the final step in a series of study leading to this doctoral degree. The first step is the Bachelor of Theological Studies, the second step is the Master of Theological Studies, and the third step is the Doctor of Applied Theology. The D.A.T. is a program developed whereby the student continues to explore greater depths in Theology utilizing scientific methodologies.

PREREQUISITES

Prerequisite for enrolment in this program is an earned M.T.S. degree (60-credits) or its equivalent, with a Theology Major, from Bethany or an acceptable college.

COURSE REQUIREMENTS

To receive this degree, the student must complete the following 40SH program of specified courses beyond the Master's level.

| | | |
|--------------|--|-------------|
| Th-700 | How To Write a Thesis Research | 1SH |
| Th-701 | Prolegomena, Bibliology, Theology Proper, and Christology | 3SH |
| Th-702 | Angelology, Anthropology, and Hematology | 3SH |
| Th-703 | Soteriology | 3SH |
| Th-704 | Ecclesiology, Eschatology | 3SH |
| Th-705 | Christology | 3SH |
| Th-706 | Pneumatology | 3SH |
| Th-708 | Thesis (20,000 words) | 6SH |
| Bi-601 | Expositional Methods | 3SH |
| Bi-602 | Biblical Exposition (Gen - Deut) | 3SH |
| Bi-701 | Biblical Exposition (Matt - Mark) | 3SH |
| Ph-601 | Advanced Apologetics I | 3SH |
| Ph-602 | Advanced Apologetics II | <u>3SH</u> |
| Total | | 40SH |

HISTORY OF BETHANY

Humble Beginnings - Founded in North Georgia in 1973, Bethany was first known as North Georgia Baptist Bible College and Seminary. In early 1982, the name was changed and the school was moved to Dothan, Alabama. Resident students began attending classes in March of that year. Bethany was co-founded by Dr. H. D. Shuemake and Dr. Mary Evelyn Shuemake.

Growth - Beginning in a downtown store-front building with eighteen students, the school has since enrolled more than eighty-five hundred students in its on-campus and external study program. The extension ministry has been established in Georgia, Indiana, Canada, and South Korea. In keeping with the growth of the school, the name was changed to Bethany Divinity College and Seminary in the fall of 2002.

Outreach - Bethany operates a Christian radio station in south Alabama and publishes a newsletter for students. In addition to its proven external study program, Bethany uses the Internet for active communication with students, and for provision of certain material and courses online including virtual classes.

Biblical Foundation - Programs of study are taught from a Biblically conservative point of view. Bethany accepts the inerrancy and infallibility of the Word of God.

Affiliation - Bethany Divinity College and Seminary is a Christian school with a Baptist identification but trans-denominational student body, serving a variety of denominations and independent congregations. Care is taken to help prepare students for Christian service in the ministries and vocations to which God has called them. Bethany has trained students from more than twenty denominations

Location - The main campus of Bethany Divinity College is situated below the foothills of Southern Alabama in the beautiful city of Dothan Alabama. This setting provides a remarkable atmosphere with typical southern hospitality. Being in the most southern part of the state, it is not far from the sandy white beaches of Florida's Gulf Coast. In these wonderful surroundings, Bethany provides a center for learning where men and women can prepare themselves for Christian service.

Building - The Administrative Office of the College and Seminary is situated at 1785 East Main Street, Suite 1, Dothan, Alabama, just off the Ross Clark Circle. Here at the same location, a Learning Center for continuing education is provided for on-site studies. The administration office also houses the college owned radio station WVOB.