

"They read from the Book of the Law of God, making it clear and giving the meaning so that the people could understand what was being read." - Nehemiah 8:8

Graduate Programs



Licensed Professional

The **Licensed Professional (LP)** program is designed to offer core, graduate-level education for ministry leadership. This program is not a substitute for a degree program, denominational path toward ordination, or state licensure, but does provide foundational educational experiences and studies beneficial for anyone serving or who wants to serve in Bible-based, Christ-centered ministry leadership.



Dual Degree Completion

The **Dual Degree Completion (DDC)** program allows students with an Associate's degree, coursework toward an unfinished undergraduate degree, and life experiences that may count toward college credit to enroll in The Bible Seminary on a degree track resulting in both a bachelor's and master's degree. Students who successfully complete this program will have earned a Bachelor of Arts in Christian Studies (BACS), and either a companion Master of Arts (MA) or a Master of

Divinity (M Div) degree. The Bachelor of Arts in Christian Studies is customized for each student to incorporate previous college coursework (such as a 60-credit hour Associate degree), prior learning assessments, additional college studies, and TBS core graduate courses that can serve as dual bachelor/master credits.



Master of Arts

The **Master of Arts (MA)** curriculum integrates an in-depth study of the Bible with basic historical, theological and practical disciplines critical to developing professional skills for ministry in the 21st century. All MA programs include a sequence of CORE and ELECTIVE 3-credit hour courses designed to summarily cover all 66 books of the Bible over a 2-year course of study offered during two standard semesters per year, with additional in-depth studies of numerous

biblical books. Available MA majors include the following:

- Master of Arts in Church History and Theology (MACHT) 48-credit hours
- Master of Arts in Biblical Languages and Culture (MABLC) 54-credit hours
- Master of Arts in Biblical Studies (MABS) 60-credit hours
- Master of Arts in Biblical History and Archaeology (MABHA) 60-credit hours



Master of Divinity

The **Master of Divinity (MDiv)** curriculum integrates an in-depth study of the Bible with the standard historical, theological and practical disciplines critical to developing professional skills for ministry in the 21st century. The program includes 28 courses (84-credit hours) designed to teach all 66 books of the Bible over a 3-year course of study. Upon successful completion of the program, graduates will receive a Master of Divinity degree. The program is

available for FULL-TIME students (registered for 9 or more credit hours per semester) and PART-TIME students. Auditing may be available for some courses on a limited basis.

Graduate Programs Comparison

● = CORE
○ = ELECTIVE

LP = Licensed Professional

MA = Master of Arts in Church History and Theology (CHT), Biblical Languages and Culture (BLC), Biblical Studies (BS), and Biblical History and Archaeology (BHA)

MDiv = Master of Divinity

Courses*	LP	CHT	BLC	BS	BHA	MDiv
Hermeneutics						
BSM 501: Bible Study Methods – Esther, Obadiah, Mark	●	●	●	●	●	●
Languages and Culture						
ANE 501: Ancient Near Eastern Cultures – Ezra 4-6, Daniel 2-7			●	○	●	○
GRK 501: Greek Language I – Jude, 2 & 3 John			●	○	●	●
GRK 502: Greek Language II – 1 Peter			●	○	●	●
GRK 503: Greek Exegesis – Gospel of Luke			○	○		●
HEB 501: Hebrew Language and Culture I – Jonah, Nahum			●	○	●	●
HEB 502: Hebrew Language and Culture II – Haggai, Zechariah, Malachi			●	○	●	●
HEB 503: Hebrew Exegesis – Habakkuk			○	○		●
History and Theology						
THE 501: Theology I – Genesis	●	●	●	●	●	●
THE 502: Theology II – Romans, Hebrews		●	○	●		●
THE 503: Theology III – 1 & 2 Corinthians; 1 & 2 Timothy, Titus		●	○	●		●
THE 504: Theology IV – Joel, Daniel, II Peter, Revelation		●	○	●		●
THE 510: Church History I – Acts	●	●	●	●	●	●
THE 511: Church History II – (Holy Land Study Tour option)		●	●	●		○
THE 520: Biblical Archaeology – Judges		○	○	○	●	●
THE 525: Ancient Near East History and Archaeology					●	
Missions and Evangelism						
APO 501: Apologetics – Proverbs, James, 1 John		○	○	●		●
MIS 501: Missions I – <i>Perspectives on the World Christian Movement</i>	○	○	○	○	○	○
MIS 502: Missions II (Anthropology) – Hosea, Amos, Micah, Zephaniah	○	○	○	○	○	●
MIS 503: Discipleship, Evangelism, & Church Planting – Deuteronomy, Galatians	○	○	○	○	○	●
Pastoral Leadership						
PAS 501: Pastor-Shepherd I – Job, Jeremiah, Lamentations	●	●	●	●	●	●
PAS 502: Pastor-Shepherd II – Ephesians, Philippians, Colossians, Philemon				○		●
PAS 511: Pastor-Leader I – Ruth, 1 & 2 Samuel, 1 & 2 Kings	●	●	●	●	●	●
PAS 512: Pastor-Leader II – Joshua, Ezra, Nehemiah				○		●
Preaching and Teaching						
PRE 501: Expository Preaching/Teaching I – Isaiah	●	●	●	●	●	●
PRE 502: Expository Preaching/Teaching II – 1 & 2 Thessalonians				○		●
PRA 501: Prayer & Worship I – Leviticus, 1 & 2 Chronicles, Psalms		●	○	●		●
Spiritual Formation and Ministry						
SFM 500: Spiritual Formation & Ministry – <i>Bible Panorama</i>	●	●	●	●	●	●
SFM 501: Spiritual Formation & Ministry I – Exodus, Numbers, Matthew	○	●	●	●	○	●
SFM 505: Spiritual Formation & Ministry V – Song of Songs, Ecclesiastes	○	○	○	○		●
SFM 506: Spiritual Formation & Ministry VI – Ezekiel, Gospel of John	○	○	○	○		●
Archaeology						
ARC 501: Archaeology Theory and Methodology					●	
ARC 510: Ceramic Analysis					●	
ARC 520: Excavation Practicum & Field School I					●	
ARC 521: Excavation Practicum & Field School II					●	
Capstone						
CAP 590: Capstone		●	●	●	●	●
CORE (●) required =	7	14	15	15	19	28
ELECTIVES (○) required =	2	2	3	5	1	0
Total Classes required =	9	16	18	20	20	28
Total Credit-hours* =	18	48	54	60	60	84

* LP = 2-credit-hours per course, and MA & MDiv = 3-credit hours per course