

M.Div. Suggested Three-Year Plan

The courses required to complete the Master of Divinity program are offered at least once every academic year. Thus, there is a great deal of flexibility in the order that you take your courses. Detailed below is a suggested sequence which you might follow in order to complete your degree in three years.

FIRST YEAR	SECOND YEAR	THIRD YEAR
CH501, The Church to the Reformation EM502, Educational Ministry of the Church -or- EM603, EM/WM657, EM687, or CH/EM/TH635 GL501, Basic Greek I GL502, Basic Greek II MC/SF501, Spiritual Formation for Ministry NT501, New Testament Survey NT502, Interpreting the New Testament OT500, Old Testament Survey TH504, Systematic Theology I TH605, Systematic Theology II MM501, Mentored Ministry - Unit 1 (<i>orientation</i>) MM502, Mentored Ministry - Unit 2	CH502, The Church since the Reformation NT Narrative Exegesis (NT611-619) NT Epistle Exegesis (NT620-649) OL501, Hebrew I OL502, Hebrew II OT511, Interpreting the Old Testament TH607, Systematic Theology III PC511, Introduction to Pastoral Counseling -or- PC521, Pastoral Counseling in Urban Ministry PR601, Preaching: Principles and Practice PR602, Preaching for Modern Listeners MM601, Mentored Ministry - Unit 3 MM602, Mentored Ministry - Unit 4	ET501, Christian Ethics -or- SE571, SE632, ET642, MC/SE/TH651, ET681 or SE735 EV701, Evangelism & Discipleship MC701, Pastoral Ministry -or- MC702 or MC610 600-Level OT Exegesis (OT625-670) OT750, Old Testament Prophetic Books -or- OT765, Exegesis in Prophetic & Poetic Texts -or- OT770, Old Testament Poetical Books WM601, World Mission of the Church -or- TH/WM602, Theology of Mission Elective Elective Elective Elective MM701, Mentored Ministry - Unit 5 MM702, Mentored Ministry - Unit 6

NOTE: Since some elective courses are offered infrequently, you may want to take them as soon as you see them on the schedule rather than waiting until your third year

While you will certainly deviate from this suggested sequence in many ways, there are a few critical points to keep in mind in order to ensure that you are able to complete your degree in three years.

- Take either Basic Greek I and II (GL501 and GL502) or Hebrew I and II (OL501 and OL502) during your first year
- Take NT502, Interpreting the New Testament or OT511, Interpreting the Old Testament concurrent with your second language course (GL502, Basic Greek II or OL502, Hebrew II) or as soon as possible afterwards
- Take your other language courses (Hebrew I and II or Basic Greek I and II) during your second year
- Take your other interpretation course (OT511, Interpreting the Old Testament or NT502 Interpreting the New Testament) concurrent with your second language course (GL502, Basic Greek II or OL502, Hebrew II) or as soon as possible afterwards
- Take your 600-level OT exegesis course as soon as possible after OT511, Interpreting the Old Testament since it is a prerequisite for your OT 700-level course
- Take MC/SF501, Spiritual Formation for Ministry during your first year since it is a co-requisite for your first field unit of Mentored Ministry
- Take the Mentored Ministry orientation (MM501) during your first semester so that you are prepared to begin your field units soon after
- If you do not test out of OT and/or NT Survey, it is recommended that you take these foundational courses early in your studies
- Consider taking Semlinks or January and Summer session courses to lighten your load in the Fall and Spring semesters
- Always register as soon as you are permitted in order to ensure that you get maximum priority on limited courses