

MASTER OF ARTS (RELIGION)

Leadership Studies; Urban and Intercultural Studies

Standard Format: 54 credit hours

Advanced Standing Format: 36 credit hours: *Students with extensive undergraduate education in Biblical and theological studies which meet certain criteria may complete this degree in 36 credit hours. Students who meet those criteria are exempt from courses marked by the asterisk.*

Prerequisite	Baccalaureate degree
Biblical Studies and Biblical Languages (15 hours)	*BOT 500 Old Testament Foundations (3) *BNT 500 New Testament Foundations (3) *BEX 500 Foundations of Biblical Exegesis (3) * Biblical Language (6) BLA 510 Beg. NT Greek AND BLA 511 Interm. NT Greek, <i>or</i> BLA 520 Beg. OT Hebrew AND BLA 521 Interm. OT Hebrew, <i>or</i> BLA 500 Intro. to Language Tools AND a Bible elective BOT or BNT 630 or above Bible class (excluding BCS/BOT/BNT History of Israel class)
Church History (3 hours)	+GHI 530 History of the Restoration Movement (3)
Theological Studies (6 hours)	*TTH 500 Basic Theology (3) TTH 560 Doctrine of Grace (3)
Leadership Studies (30 hours)	PMN 502 Spiritual Formation (3) #PMN 520 Fundamentals in Biblical Communication (3) PMN 540 Leadership and Management for Ministry (3) Choose one (3) PIC 500 Introduction to Cross Cultural Ministry PIC 516 Urban Ministry PIC/TAP 570 World Religions Seminar (3) PIC 792 Supervised Leadership Experience (3) Electives in Urban and Intercultural Studies (6) Research Component (6)

Research requirements may be met in one of three ways:

- a. Complete six credit hours of course work in the field of concentration. Designate one course as a Non-Thesis Option course and write an extensive research paper. The student must follow the deadlines and procedures outlined in the “Non-Thesis Option” form, which is available from the Seminary receptionist (6 hours of credit).
- b. The student may petition the department chair for permission to write a thesis (6 hours of credit).
- c. The student may petition the department chair for permission to complete a field research project (6 hours of credit).

The student must follow the deadlines and procedures for each option outlined in the respective guideline forms, which are available from the Seminary receptionist.

+ If this course has been taken as an undergraduate, the student may substitute GHI 560 Early Church History or GHI 570 The Protestant Reformation.

Upon review of the transcript, if the student has completed an equivalent course, another course in this field may be substituted.