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WELCOME

Maranatha Baptist Seminary is designed to train *head, heart, and hands*, with the goal that each student will be theologically articulate, spiritually passionate, and professionally competent.

In 2018, Evangelist Mark Herbster began his duties as Dean of Maranatha Baptist Seminary, replacing Dr. Larry Oats, who continues in a faculty role. Mark comes to Maranatha with well-known Baptist, separatist credentials. He holds a Master of Divinity degree and is in the final project stage of a Doctor of Ministry degree. His wealth of practical ministry experience uniquely qualifies him for his new role in guiding Maranatha Baptist Seminary.

Maranatha's faculty members are well-educated, current on trending theological issues, excellent communicators, and personally approachable. Bible professors, Dr. Preston Mayes in Old Testament and Dr. Andrew Hudson in New Testament, provide training in the biblical languages and in careful Bible interpretation. The anchors of our theology department, Dr. Larry Oats and Dr. Fred Moritz, represent academic and practical expertise.

Dr. Oats has three earned masters degrees and a Ph.D. in Systematic Theology. As one of Maranatha's most distinguished alumni and frequent conference speaker, he has been involved in educating students here for over 45 years. Dr. Oats has authored numerous theological papers and is a premier authority on Baptist fundamentalism.

Dr. Moritz has authored three books and served as a pastor, an evangelist, and executive director of Baptist World Mission in Decatur, Alabama. Dr. Moritz has nearly forty years of field experience, including traveling for missions to nearly seventy countries and preaching in thousands of churches.

Each student who comes to campus has opportunities for meaningful local church ministry through our "partnering agreement" with nearly one hundred churches within a ninety-minute radius.

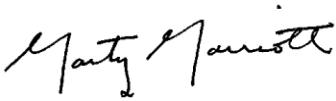
Watertown is a quiet, family-friendly, and affordable environment, with employment opportunities available. Single students may live in a resident hall and enjoy Maranatha's well-loved food service. Both single and married students may take advantage of affordable rental units scattered throughout the city.

In addition, the ability to obtain a Master of Arts or Master of Divinity without coming to Watertown offers the opportunity for seminary students to remain in ministry or present local church while obtaining a regionally accredited seminary degree.

Maranatha now has a doctoral program for pastors and ministry leaders to receive professional preparation at the highest level. The Doctor of Ministry in Preaching and Leading is taught by the seminary's resident faculty as well as highly qualified adjunct faculty. Enrollment is open to experienced men currently serving in ministry. Additional information and catalog are available at www.mbu.edu/seminary/doctor-of-ministry/.

Since 1968, Maranatha has had a reputation for training laborers for local church ministry; her graduates are known for being Baptists by conviction and balanced fundamentalists. The work of the Lord is urgent and eternal. Let us prepare you for that work "To the Praise of His Glory."

His for service,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Marty Marriott". The signature is written in a cursive style with a prominent initial "M" and a long, sweeping underline.

Marty Marriott
President

RECOGNITION

Bible-believing churches, schools, and colleges from across the country and many foreign countries have acknowledged the spiritual, academic, and professional contribution Maranatha has made to their ministries. Many of their pastors, teachers, youth leaders, and other members of their staff received a heart for ministry and a head for service while studying at Maranatha.

Maranatha Baptist University is listed in the Higher Education Directory printed for the United States Department of Education.

Accreditation:

Maranatha Baptist University is accredited by The Higher Learning Commission and is a member of the North Central Association
(Website: www.ncahigherlearningcommission.org. Phone: 312-263-0456)

Membership:

American Association of Christian Colleges and Seminaries
American Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers
Association of Business Administrators of Christian Colleges
National Association of College and University Business Officers

Approval:

Immigration and Naturalization Service for Enrollment of Foreign Students
State and Federal Approving Agency for Veterans Benefits
United States Department of Education for Stafford, Student Loans

Chartered:

State of Wisconsin in 1968

Maranatha does not engage in unlawful discrimination on the basis of gender, race, color, age, physical disability, ancestry, or national origin. The commitment not to discriminate in the University's services or education programs extends to all applicants for admissions and employment, as required by Title IX and applicable law. Some programs maintain additional requirements for program acceptance. Where applicable, those standards are clearly stated and published.

All concerns relating to discrimination can be directed to: Title IX Coordinator, 745 West Main Street, Watertown, WI 53094 (920-206-2305).

MISSION AND OBJECTIVES

The mission of Maranatha Baptist University is to develop leaders for ministry in the local church and the world “To the Praise of His Glory.” **The mission of Maranatha Baptist Seminary is to glorify God by further preparing His servants for gospel ministry.**

The goal of Maranatha Baptist Seminary is to provide balanced theological and practical training in a biblical way. The graduate level programs are intentionally dispensational, fundamental, and Baptist. The Seminary provides education and development for those who are called by God into ministry settings as pastors, evangelists, missionaries, counselors, chaplains, teachers and other leaders in biblically-based ministries.

The desire of MBS is to prepare students to be faithful to the preaching and teaching of God’s Word in ministry contexts throughout the world. MBS hopes to produce graduates who are:

**Theologically Fundamental
Philosophically Separated
Culturally Conservative
Evangelistically Passionate
Distinctively Baptist**

The focus of the seminary is to offer a proper balance between academic instruction and practical application, which is crucial for lasting, meaningful ministry.

Discipleship is the process for this kind of ministerial development. MBS is committed to the overall spiritual development of the students, desiring that they cultivate a love and commitment to God and His truth, which motivates an unwavering passion to serve others. The administration and faculty of MBS are all involved in this discipleship process. Academic demands, personal mentoring, practical experiences, and behavioral disciplines are all components which maximize the spiritual growth of the student.

The primary purpose of the seminary is to glorify God by preparing His servants to be accurate and articulate in their position while being holy and humble in their disposition. These are the ministers that please God, reach people, and help the church, and by God’s grace, these are the kind of ministers MBS will prepare.

CORE VALUES

To fulfill its mission, Maranatha Baptist Seminary focuses its attention on the following Core Values:

- **BIBLICAL AUTHORITY**—Maranatha believes in verbal, plenary inspiration. The Bible is the sole authority for faith and practice and is inerrant in all matters it addresses. The literal, historical-grammatical approach to the interpretation of God’s Word is emphasized through the entire curriculum.
- **BAPTIST HERITAGE**—Maranatha stands without apology for the Baptist distinctives. Baptist principles and polity are taught in the classroom and practiced in the personal ministries of each faculty member.
- **DISPENSATIONAL HERMENEUTICS**—Maranatha emphasizes the pretribulational rapture of all believers and the premillennial return and reign of Jesus Christ, focusing on a hermeneutic that sees a distinct difference between Israel and the church.
- **EVANGELISTIC EMPHASIS**—Maranatha challenges and prepares students to have warm, soul-winners’ hearts and to build strong evangelistic churches. The faculty includes teachers who have many years of experience in building and developing soul-winning churches.
- **LOCAL CHURCH FOCUS**—Maranatha teaches that the local church is God’s ordained institution to carry out His work in this age. The primacy of the local church in scriptural teaching is emphasized both in doctrine and practice. Separatist in understanding, Maranatha also seeks to develop avenues of biblical fellowship within the confines of Biblical truth, but rejects the unholy alliances of part of the current ecclesiological scene.
- **THEOLOGICAL COMPREHENSION**—Maranatha assists students in their understanding of current trends and theological issues in Christianity today, with biblical answers to those trends and issues. Maranatha also assists students in the development of a willingness to separate from doctrinal error and unbiblical positions.
- **SEPARATIST POSITION**—Maranatha emphasizes the biblical teaching concerning personal and ecclesiastical fellowship and separation.
- **BIBLICAL LEADERSHIP AND DISCERNMENT**—Maranatha seeks to equip its students with the skills of Biblical discernment so that they will be able to develop a scripturally accurate and God-blessed response to ecclesiastical and moral issues which can be accurately assessed and appropriately addressed.

THE MARANATHA ADVANTAGE

We believe Maranatha is able to offer the following advantages to its students.

First, the opportunities at Maranatha are significant. The campus has state-of-the-art technology in its classrooms and is increasing its use of video and internet communications and learning. The library has 220,000 books and more than 20,000 journals, in both print and digital format. The faculty is well educated and experienced.

Second, because Maranatha Baptist Seminary is a part of Maranatha Baptist University, we can offer Graduate Assistant work opportunities that allow students to obtain graduate degrees while working for the University. This mutually beneficial relationship allows graduate students to finish their studies in a timely fashion without going into debt. The GA program will allow diligent students to complete their seminary education in no more than two to four years, depending on their degree.

Third, Maranatha believes that the University connection can enhance the preparation of the seminary student. Seminary students will have the opportunity to minister to and disciple undergraduate students on a regular basis. Seminary students, preparing for ministry, will be able to impact University students, some of whom will themselves enter the seminary.

Fourth, Seminary students will be intentionally mentored both on and off campus. The faculty will purposefully mentor the students in class, chapel and one-on-one discipleship times. Area pastors will work with the seminary faculty to continue intentional mentoring in the local churches. Students learn much in the classroom; they also need to learn in the field, putting into practice the lessons of the classroom. Those seminary students who attended Maranatha Baptist University will also benefit as they continue to build the relationships they began during their undergraduate education.

Fifth, Maranatha seeks to place its graduates into ministry as soon as possible. The Master of Divinity degree was designed originally to educate a secular college graduate. With the growth of the Bible College movement, 96 hours of seminary training is no longer the standard. Many seminaries, and Maranatha is among them, recognize that there is duplication of material between the typical Bible university/college student's education and his Seminary training. Therefore, Maranatha allows Advanced Placement for students with a Bible university/college background.

Sixth, Maranatha's Church Site program allows students to receive a Master of Arts or Master of Divinity while remaining in a local church under the discipleship of the pastor(s) and church staff.

STATEMENT OF FAITH

The following is the *Statement of Faith* of Maranatha Baptist University.

We believe in the verbal, plenary inspiration of the Old and New Testaments; God in three persons—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit; the new birth in Christ alone; baptism by immersion for believers only; the eternal security of the believer; the Lord’s Supper as a memorial; six creation days of twenty-four hours each; the bodily resurrection of Christ and His bodily ascension into heaven where He now intercedes for believers; the pretribulation rapture of all believers; the premillennial return and millennial reign of the Lord Jesus Christ; the judgment; the reality of heaven and hell; the local church as God’s institution to carry out the Great Commission; and the obligation of every believer to live a holy life and witness to the lost of the saving power of Christ.

Maranatha Baptist Seminary has enlarged this doctrinal statement for Seminary purposes. Students are not required to be in complete agreement with this statement but should understand that this is the basis on which all teaching in the Seminary is grounded.

The Scriptures

We believe that the Holy Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments are the verbally, plenary inspired Word of God and are inerrant in the original writings (1 Cor. 2:13; 2 Tim. 3:16; 2 Pet. 1:21; Rev. 22:18-19; Matt. 5:18; 24:35; John 10:35; 17:17). The Bible is the final authority on all matters of faith and practice (Isa. 8:20; Matt. 5:18; 24:35; John 10:35; 2 Tim. 3:16-17). We practice a dispensational hermeneutic, based on a progressive unfolding of revelation from God which results in various dispensations or distinguishable economies of God’s revealed truth (Rom. 16:25; 1 Cor. 4:1; Eph. 1:10; 3:2-4; Col. 1:25-27; Heb. 1:1). This hermeneutic recognizes a fundamental distinction between Israel and the Church in origin, purposes, and destiny (1 Cor. 10:32).

The Godhead

We believe in the one Triune God (Deut. 6:4; Isa. 45:21-22), eternally existing in three Persons, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit (Gen. 1:2; Matt. 1:18; 3:17; 12:32; 28:19; John 4:21, 23; 5:44; Rom. 1:3-4; 15:6; 2 Cor. 13:14; Jude 20-21), of one essence but distinct in persons, and equal in perfection and attributes (2 Sam. 23:2-3; John 5:23; 6:27; 16:15; Acts 5:3-4; Eph. 2:18; Heb. 1:8; 9:14). We believe that the Trinity created the physical universe, including all life forms, in six successive solar days, and the spiritual universe of angels (Gen. 1-2; Exod. 20:11;

Ps. 19:1-6; 33:6, 9; 90:2; Isa. 40:28; 1 Cor. 8:6; Heb. 11:3; Rev. 4:9-11). We oppose the evolutionary hypothesis of origins, whether theistic or atheistic.

God the Father

We believe in God the Father, the First Person of the eternal Trinity (John 17:5; Rom. 16:26). The Father is the ultimate source of all things, the sustainer of all things, and the controller of all things (Neh. 9:6; Ps. 103:19; 104:19-22; 148:8; Prov. 19:21; 1 Cor. 8:6; 10:13; John 5:17; Eph. 3:9).

God the Son

We believe that Jesus Christ is the eternal Son of God (Isa. 9:6; Matt. 16:16; John 10:36; 17:5), who in His incarnation became man while remaining God (Matt. 20:28; John 1:1; 8:40; Rom. 9:5; 1 Tim. 2:5; Titus 2:13; Heb. 1:8; 1 John 5:20). We believe in His virgin conception and birth (Matt. 1:18-25), His death on the cross as a representative, vicarious, substitutionary sacrifice (Isa. 53:1-12; John 1:29; 1 John 2:2), His bodily resurrection from the tomb (Matt. 28:5-7; Luke 24:1-7; 1 Cor. 15:3-4; Rev. 1:18), and His ascension into heaven (Luke 24:51; Acts 1:2, 9-11) as the believer's High Priest and Advocate before the throne of God (1 Tim. 2:5; Heb. 1:3; 4:14-16; 1 John 2:1; Rev. 3:21).

God the Holy Spirit

We believe the Holy Spirit is the third Person of the Godhead (John 16:7-8; 1 Cor. 3:16; Heb. 9:14). He convicts of sin, of righteousness, and of judgment (John 16:8-11), imparts spiritual life in regeneration (John 3:3, 5; Titus 3:5), permanently indwells believers (John 7:37-39; 14:16; Rom. 8:9; 1 Cor. 3:16), becomes the seal of divine ownership and earnest that guarantees the final salvation of the believer (2 Cor. 1:22; 5:5; Eph. 1:13-14; 4:30), and fills and empowers believers as they yield to the Word (Acts 2:4; Rom. 6:13; 12:1-2; Gal. 5:16; Eph. 4:30).

Sin

We believe that man was created in the image of God (Gen. 1:26-31; 2:7-25; 1 Cor. 11:7; Jas. 3:9) in righteousness and holiness (Eph. 4:24; Col 3:9-10). Man freely transgressed God's commandment (Gen. 3:1-7; 1 Tim. 2:14), and because of the sin of Adam all humans are now condemned and are sinners by nature and by choice (Gen. 8:21; 1 Kings 8:46; Isa. 53:6; Jer. 17:9; Rom. 3:10, 12, 23; 1 John 1:8, 10).

Salvation

We believe that salvation has been provided by the substitutionary death of Christ for all sinners, is given to man by grace, and is received by repentance and faith in Jesus Christ (Isa. 53:4-12; John 1:12; 2 Cor. 5:21; Gal. 3:13; Eph. 1:7; 2:8-10; 1 Pet. 1:18-19; 2:24). All the redeemed are kept by God's power and are thus secure in Christ forever (John 6:37-40; 10:27-30; Rom. 8:1, 38-39; 1 Cor. 1:4-8; 1 Pet. 1:4-5). Salvation results in justification (Rom. 4:1-5, 25; 5:1, 18-19), forgiveness of sin (Acts 10:43; Eph. 1:7; 4:32; Col. 1:14; 2:13; 1 John 2:12), adoption (Rom. 8:15; Gal. 4:5; Eph. 1:5), sanctification (1 Cor. 1:2, 30; 6:11; Heb. 10:10, 14), and glorification (Rom. 8:30). We believe that sanctification has three aspects. First, in positional sanctification the believer is given a perfect standing before God (Acts 26:18; 1 Cor. 1:2; 6:11; Heb. 10:10, 14). Second, in present sanctification the believer is cleansed of the daily defilement of sin and is in the process of being brought into conformity to the image of Christ (John 13:10; 2 Cor. 3:18; 1 Thess. 5:23). Third, in final sanctification the believer will be fully conformed to the image of Christ, and sin will be eliminated forever from his experience (Phil. 3:21; 1 Thess. 3:12-13; Heb. 9:28; 1 John 3:2; Jude 24).

Church

We believe that the church is God's institution for spiritual ministry and activity in this age. The Head of the church is Christ, and the members are believers in Jesus Christ, who have been immersed upon their confession of faith and who share a common body of truth (Acts 2:42; Eph. 1:22-23; 2:11-22; 5:23; Col. 1:18, 24; 2 Thess. 3:6; Jude 3). The church is the center of a Christian's worship, work, and fellowship. The church assembles for the preaching of the Word, the observance of the ordinances of baptism and the Lord's Supper, and the discipleship and discipline of the members (Matt. 18:15-17; 1 Cor. 5:4-5, 12; 6:1-5; 2 Cor. 2:6; 2 Thess. 3:6; 1 Tim. 3:15; Jude 3; Rev. 2-3). The ordinances for the church are water baptism by immersion (Matt. 28:19-20; Acts 2:38; 10:47-48; Rom. 6:3-5) and the Lord's Supper (Acts 2:41-42; 1 Cor. 11:23-32). The church has two offices: pastor and deacon (Phil. 1:1; 1 Tim. 2:12; 3:1-13; Heb. 10:25). The church is independent and autonomous, free of any external authority or control (Acts 13:1-4; 15:19-31; 20:28; Rom. 16:1, 4; 1 Cor. 3:9, 16; 5:4-7, 13; 1 Pet. 5:1-4). The church is responsible for the spread of the Gospel to the world (Matt. 28:18-20; Acts 1:8; 2:41-42; 10:47-48). The Great Commission and the practice of the early church require churches and believers to proclaim the Gospel to all nations (Matt. 28:19-20; Mark 16:15; Luke 24:46-48; John 20:21; Acts 1:8; 2 Cor. 5:20).

Fellowship and Separation

We believe that true spiritual fellowship is the result of a common faith. While unity is preferable and sought after (John 17:20-23), personal separation is required from a brother who refuses to live a lifestyle in accord with the teaching of Scripture, and ecclesiastical separation is necessary from a church which holds to divisive doctrinal error (Rom. 16:17; 1 Cor. 5:11; 2 Thess. 3:6, 14-15). The worldview of the believer is dictated by Scripture, rather than by the world, and is motivated by love for God, fellow believers, and the lost (Rom. 12:1-2; 14; 2 Cor. 6:14-7:1; Eph. 5:15-18; Titus 3:10; 1 John 2:15-17; 4:1; 2 John 10-11).

Future Events

We believe in the personal, bodily, pretribulational, premillennial, and imminent return of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, first to take His saints home to be with him at the rapture of the living and resurrection of the dead (Matt. 24:44; John 14:1-3; 1 Thess. 4:4-18; Titus 2:11-13), and second to establish His earthly kingdom (Dan. 7:9-14; Zech. 14:1-4; Mal. 3:1-2; Matt. 24:29-30; Acts 1:11; 2 Thess. 2:8; Rev. 1:7). We believe in the bodily resurrection of all men, the saved to eternal life, and the unsaved to judgment and everlasting punishment (Matt. 25:46; John 5:28-29; 11:25-26; Rev. 20:5-6, 12-13).

CAMPUS

LOCATION

Maranatha Baptist Seminary is located on the campus of Maranatha Baptist University. The beautiful seventy-three acre campus is located in Watertown, Wisconsin, in the heart of America's dairyland. We are midway between the state's largest city, Milwaukee (45 miles to the east), and Madison, the state capital (38 miles to the west). On the banks of the scenic Rock River, the city is conveniently located only a few miles north of Interstate 94 at the junction of Routes 19 and 26. Watertown was founded in 1836, and in the mid-1850s, it became the home of the first kindergarten in America.

BUILDINGS AND FACILITIES

Old Main provides classrooms, an auditorium, a reception room, a student center (with coffee shop, bookstore, and post office), and faculty and administrative offices. Other buildings located on the campus include a library, dining hall/classroom building, science buildings, student health center, welcome center, chapel/gymnasium, men's residence halls, women's residence halls, and other support buildings.

LIBRARY

The Cedarholm Library exists to support the educational and spiritual objectives of Maranatha Baptist Seminary. Students, faculty, and staff are served by a professional librarian, dedicated paraprofessionals, and student assistants. From the acquisition of its first physical book – the Bible – to the most recently published eBooks, the library currently provides access to over 100,000 physical items, 140,000 eBooks, 97 physical periodical subscriptions, and 22,000 digital periodical subscriptions. The library search system HOLMES, provided by EBSCO, is accessible to anyone with internet access.

GOVERNANCE

Dean of the Seminary: The Dean of the Seminary chairs all Seminary committees unless otherwise indicated.

Seminary Council: The Seminary Council consists of the University President, Dean of the Seminary, University Vice President for Academic Affairs, Dean of the College of Bible and Church Ministries, Director of Alumni Services, Vice President for Institutional Advancement and a rotating Seminary Faculty member. The Seminary Council is responsible for Seminary policies and oversight of the Seminary, including the Seminary Catalog, and advertisement. All Seminary appeals will be made to the Seminary Council. Decisions of the Seminary Admissions Committee and Academic Senate will be submitted to the Seminary Council for their information. The Admissions Committee and Academic Senate may request decisions that would normally be made by these respective committees to be made by the Seminary Council.

Academic Senate: The Academic Senate consists of the Dean of the Seminary, University Vice President for Academic Affairs, and the Faculty of the Seminary. The Academic Senate is responsible for academic and discipleship issues, including discipline of the students, campus-based discipleship, and oversight of off-campus discipleship. The Academic Senate will also serve as the Academic Committee of the Seminary. They will make curricular decisions and serve individually as academic advisors of the Seminary students.

Admissions Committee: The Seminary Admissions Committee consists of the Dean of the Seminary, University Vice President for Institutional Advancement, Dean of the College of Bible and Church Ministries, and a rotating Seminary faculty member. Admissions processes will be handled by the University Admissions Office. Acceptance into the Seminary will be decided by the Admissions Committee.

The University Registrar is responsible for transcripts, grades, certification of graduates, and classroom assignments. The Dean of the Seminary is responsible for course sequencing and faculty loads. The Business Office is responsible for billing students and processing payments. Collection of unpaid bills is the responsibility of the Academic Senate.

GENERAL ADMISSIONS INFORMATION

Since the express purpose of Maranatha Baptist Seminary is to train Christian men and women for Christian service, the completion of minimum academic requirements in graduate classes does not automatically qualify the student for a degree. A student is expected to demonstrate maturity of Christian character, competence in the Christian ministry, and commitment to the purpose and position of Maranatha. All qualified applicants will be accepted without regard to race, color, and national or ethnic origin.

ACADEMIC PREPARATION FOR SEMINARY STUDIES

Masters level Seminary studies are for those students who have earned a bachelor's degree from an approved college or university. A limited number of older students who do not have a bachelor's degree may be admitted to the programs; contact the Dean of the Seminary for specific information.

Doctoral level Seminary studies are for those students who have completed the Master of Divinity or an equivalent of graduate level studies (a minimum of 60 hours) and who have ministerial experience.

The Admissions Committee looks for signs of academic competency in a student's previous program(s), not merely the completion of course work. There must be indicators pointing to potential success in the academically challenging environment of graduate studies.

HOW TO FILE AN APPLICATION

1. Apply online at www.mbu.edu/seminary/apply.
2. Request that all the colleges and universities you have attended send an official transcript directly to the Seminary Office.
3. Include an autobiography of at least 200 words. This should include an expression of educational objectives, purpose in life, and your purpose in coming to the Seminary. This essay should also include something about home, work, school, and church experience, as well as your testimony concerning salvation and dedication to the Lord. If you are a transfer student, include the reason for transfer. This essay will be analyzed for evidence of ability in effective, written communication.
4. Medical records for every student living on campus must be kept on file. This information is secured by means of a questionnaire which can be found at www.mbu.edu/seminary/apply.

5. Character references must be completed by three individuals who are well acquainted with you; one of them must be a pastoral reference. If you are the pastor of the church, the pastoral reference should be completed by a deacon or other church leader.

After the Admissions Office has received all required information, the Admissions Committee will act on your application. Notification will be sent after a decision has been made.

RE-ADMISSION OF FORMER STUDENTS

If you wish to return to study at Maranatha after an absence of two or more years, you may be required to re-apply. Please contact the Seminary Office.

ADMISSION AS A GUEST STUDENT

A Guest Student is someone who is not working towards a specific degree and has not formally enrolled in a program, or someone whose application is not completed but desires to take classes while the application is being processed. Guest students do not apply for a program, but instead enroll in one class at a time at www.mbu.edu/seminary/guest-students.

ADMISSION AS A PART-TIME STUDENT

The part-time student follows the regular procedure in filing an application for admission.

ADMISSION AS A TRANSFER STUDENT

Transfer students follow the regular procedure in filing an application for admission. Transfer credits applicable to the program at Maranatha are fully accepted if the grade earned is C- or above. Since the academic year at Maranatha is two semesters, 16 weeks each in length, quarter unit hours are evaluated at the ratio of three to two; that is, three quarter hours are the equivalent of two semester hours.

Certain adjustments may be necessary in the courses arranged for the transfer student. It is necessary that the transfer student see the Dean of the Seminary concerning applicability of transfer credit before registering for classes. A maximum of 12 semester hours may be transferred into the 33-hour M.A. programs. A maximum of 48 semester hours may be transferred into the M.Div. program. A maximum of 8 hours may be transferred into the Doctor of Ministry program. Transcripts for all course work done elsewhere must reach the

Registrar's Office by the second Monday in April in the year of anticipated graduation to apply toward a degree. A late fee of \$200.00 will be assessed for any transcripts received after that date.

ADMISSION OF INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

Many international students have received their education at Maranatha. The purpose of the Seminary is to train these students for full-time service in the country of their origin. An international student makes application for admission following the standard procedure. The United States government has certain stipulations for foreign students who study in the United States. All prospective students should secure such information from the Office of Admissions before making application.

ACADEMIC PROGRAMS

DOCTOR OF MINISTRY in PREACHING AND LEADING

This degree program is designed for the student who seeks a seminary-level doctoral education to prepare for pastoral ministry. This program is the ultimate preparation for men who desire to serve the Lord in some area of local church responsibility which is focused on communication of the Word of God. Two key areas of pastoral ministry are the proclamation of God's Word and leading the congregation in their path toward greater Christlikeness. The Doctor of Ministry program will help students develop their skills in these two important areas.

Maranatha Baptist Seminary seeks students who desire to be faithful to the Holy Spirit's work through God's Word in personal life and ministry and provides for this kind of student an environment of learning and spiritual challenge.

Maranatha Baptist Seminary models, encourages and promotes the following learning objectives, which the typical student who graduates with a Doctor of Ministry should accomplish.

- Articulate and apply Biblical and secular models of leadership to a ministry context. Graduates will be able to formulate and describe a personal philosophy/style of Church Leadership and be able to defend it as appropriate to New Testament congregational polity.
- Effectively communicate God's Word in both an interactive teaching venue and a public preaching setting so that Biblical content is doctrinally accurate, informative, and sustains listener engagement/attention.
- Demonstrate the ability to effectively plan, organize and deploy Gospel outreach and discipleship ministry programs for a typical small, medium or large congregation.
- Display essential skills and knowledge of Pastoral Leadership and Preaching through the production of an integrated project that includes a motivational sermon(s), a formal article and a practical outline of a proposed program that would seek to address an issue, problem, or opportunity for improvement common to a typical Baptist church.

A minimum of 32 semester hours of approved credit must be completed for the Doctor of Ministry degree. A Master of Divinity degree (or equivalent) from an approved institution must be held by the applicant. A student without a Master of Divinity degree must have at least 60 credits of graduate level work to meet the equivalency requirement. If a student does not have at least 60 hours of

graduate credit, he may be accepted into the Doctor of Ministry degree on a provisional basis and take Doctor of Ministry courses while completing sufficient masters level work at Maranatha Baptist Seminary. He will not be granted his degree until all masters and doctoral level work has been completed. A grade point average of 3.0 or better must be earned.

Students are required to take DMI 800, seven additional DMin courses, and complete the DMin Ministry Project.

Classes – Take DMI 800, a minimum of 7 additional courses, and DMI 820

DMI 800 – Research and Writing	0
DPA 801 – Great Preachers and Great Preaching	4
DPA 802 – Preaching Old Testament Narratives	4
DPA 803 – Preaching the Gospels	4
DPA 804 – Evangelism and Church Planting	4
DPA 805 – Small Group Communication and Evangelization in the Local Church	4
DLE 806 – Theology of Leadership	4
DLE 807 – Organizational Leadership	4
DLE 808 – Developing Leaders in the Local Church	4
DLE 810—Baptist Polity	4
DMI 820 – Ministry Project	4
Required Hours:	32

Doctor of Ministry Courses

2019

January 7-11 – DPA 801 – Great Preachers and Great Preaching – Dr. Larry Oats

June 3-7 – DLE 808 – Developing Leaders in the Local Church – Dr. Jeff Brown

August 5-9 – DLE 806 – Theology of Leadership – Dr. Fred Moritz

2020

January 13-17 – DPA 804 – Evangelism and Church Planting – Mark Herbster

June 1-5 – DPA 803 – Preaching the Gospels – Dr. Andrew Hudson

July 27-31 – DPA 805 – Small Group Communication and Evangelization in the
Local Church – Dr. Michael Sproul

2021

January 11-15 DPA 802 – Preaching Old Testament Narratives – Dr. Preston
Mayes

June 7-11 DLE 807 – Organizational Leadership – Dr. Jeff Drost

Aug 2-6 DLE 810 Baptist Polity – Dr. Fred Moritz and Dr. Larry Oats

MASTER OF DIVINITY

This degree program is designed for the student who seeks a seminary-level education to prepare for a pastoral ministry. This program is the standard preparation for men who desire to serve the Lord as a pastor, missionary, youth or assistant pastor, or for those who desire a camp ministry, campus ministry, Bible teaching, Bible literature work, or any other area of local church responsibility which is focused on communication of the Word of God. Maranatha Baptist Seminary has been approved for chaplain training by the Department of Defense.

Maranatha Baptist Seminary seeks students who desire to be faithful to the Holy Spirit's work through God's Word in his or her personal life and ministry and provides for this kind of student an environment of learning and spiritual challenge. Maranatha Baptist Seminary models, encourages and promotes the following learning objectives, which the typical student who graduates with a Master of Divinity should accomplish.

- To articulate biblical and systematic theology with scriptural support using a dispensational hermeneutic framework.
- To demonstrate exegetical skills in translating and interpreting the biblical languages
- To exercise biblical discernment in evaluating current trends in theology, biblical interpretation and culture.
- To communicate God's Word accurately and effectively in a preaching and teaching setting
- To evaluate past and current events in the context of Baptist History
- To demonstrate faithfulness in ministry at a baptistic, separatist church

A minimum of 96 semester hours of approved credit must be completed for the Master of Divinity degree. The Bachelor of Arts or Bachelor of Science degree from an approved institution must be held by the applicant. No more than 48 semester hours of graduate credit from another institution may be applied toward this degree. A grade point average of 2.5 or better must be earned. Applicants may be required to make up deficiencies without credit in any of the departments at the discretion of the Academic Senate.

Biblical Languages

<i>Required Classes:</i>	
GOT511 Hebrew Grammar 1	3
GOT512 Hebrew Grammar 2	3
GOT615 Hebrew Syntax	2
GOT616 Hebrew Exegesis	2
GNT503 Greek Grammar 1 ¹	2
GNT504 Greek Grammar 2 ¹	2
GNT517 Greek Reading	2
GNT518 Greek Exegetical Grammar	2
GNT519 Greek Exegetical Method	2
<i>Elective Class:</i>	
GOT513 Hebrew Reading	2
Required Hours: 16	
Biblical Studies	
<i>Required Class:</i>	
GBS510 Introduction to the Old and New Testaments	3
<i>Elective Classes:</i>	
GBS503 Biblical Studies Seminar	2
GBS701 Thesis 1	1
GBS702 Thesis 2	2
Required Hours: 3	
Old Testament	
<i>Required Class:</i>	
GOT514 Biblical Theology of the Old Testament	3
<i>Elective Classes:</i>	
GOT521 Old Testament Backgrounds	3
GOT525 Holy Land Tour	3
GOT528 Exposition of Pentateuch	3
GOT532 Exposition of Daniel	3
GOT534 Exposition of Major Prophets	3
GOT535 Exposition of the Minor Prophets	3

¹ This course does not count toward the 16-hour language requirement, but does count toward the total hours required for the Master of Divinity degree.

GOT539 Exposition of Ezra, Nehemiah, and Esther	3
GOT540 Exposition of Job	3
GOT541 Exposition of Psalms	3
GOT543 Exposition of Proverbs	2
GOT711 Exegesis and Exposition of 1 & 2 Samuel	3
GOT712 Exegesis and Exposition of Poetry	3
GOT720 Messianic Prophecy	3
GOT780 Old Testament Seminar	3
GOT790 Old Testament Introduction	3
Required Hours:	12
New Testament	
<i>Required Class:</i>	
GNT515 Biblical Theology of the New Testament	3
<i>Elective Classes:</i>	
GNT520 New Testament Backgrounds	3
GNT529 Exposition of the Gospels	3
GNT530 Exposition of Pastoral Epistles	3
GNT532 Exposition of First Corinthians	3
GNT533 Exposition of Galatians	3
GNT534 Exposition of Hebrews	3
GNT540 Exposition of Acts	3
GNT556 Exposition of Revelation	3
GNT632 Exegesis and Exposition of the General Epistles	3
GNT642 Exegesis and Exposition of Paul's Epistles	3
GNT737 Exegesis and Exposition of Romans	3
GNT742 Exegesis and Exposition of the Prison Epistles	3
GNT780 New Testament Seminar	3
Required Hours:	12
Systematic Theology	
<i>Required Classes:</i>	
GST510 Prolegomena	1
GST520 Dispensationalism and Dispensational Hermeneutics	3
GST611 Systematic Theology 1 – Bibliology and Theology Proper	2
GST612 Systematic Theology 2 – Christology and Pneumatology	3

GST613 Systematic Theology 3 – Anthropology, Hamartiology and Soteriology	3
GST614 Systematic Theology 4 – Eschatology, Angelology and Ecclesiology	3
<i>Elective Classes:</i>	
GST530 Apologetics and Worldviews	3
GST600 Theological Systems	3
GST605 Logic for Theology	3
GST620 Contemporary Theology	3
GST630 Theology of Holiness	3
GST710 Theology of the Kingdom	3
GST720 Reformation Theology	3
GST721 History of Baptist Theology	3
GST780 Graduate Seminar in Theology	3
Required Hours:	15
Historical Theology	
<i>Elective Classes:</i>	
GHI515 American Fundamentalism and Evangelicalism	3
GHI548 History of Baptist Missions	3
GHI608 Baptist History	3
GHI628 History of Christianity	3
GHI721 History of Baptist Theology	3
GHI780 Graduate Seminar in History	3
Required Hours:	9
Pastoral Theology	
<i>Required Classes:</i>	
GPA511 Church Administration ¹	2
GPA521 Introduction to Preaching ¹	2
GPA522 Expository Preaching of the Old Testament	2
GPA523 Expository Preaching of the New Testament	2
<i>Elective Classes:</i>	
GPA530 Philosophy of Ministry	2
GPA531 Church Planting	2

¹ Course may be waived if the student has taken a similar undergraduate course.

GPA535 Advanced Small Groups	2
GPA610 Building a Disciple-Making Ministry	2
GPA612 Pastoral Ethics	2
GPA614 Baptist Polity	2
GPA615 Theology of Prayer and Worship	2
GPA618 Building a Church Missions Program	2
GPA650 Advanced Bio-Ethics	2
GPA715 Theology of Church Leadership	2
GPA 717 Discipleship and Mentoring	2
GPA720 The Local Church and the Law	2
GPA721 The Pastor and the Law	2
GPA780 Graduate Seminar in Preaching	2
Required Hours:	12
Biblical Counseling	
<i>Elective Classes:</i>	
GBC501 Theology and Practice of Pastoral Counseling	2
GBC503 Methods of Biblical Change	2
GBC513 Counseling Problems and Procedures	2
GBC535 Crisis Counseling	2
GBC537 Marriage and Family Counseling	2
GBC540 Counseling Addictive Behavior	2
GBC550 Proverbs and Counseling	2
GBC 560 Counseling Survivors of Abuse	2
GBC580 Biblical Counseling Seminar	2
GBC582 Biblical Counseling Practicum	2
Required Hours:	2
Inter-Cultural Studies	
<i>Elective Classes:</i>	
GCC502 Theological Issues in Missions	3
GCC540 Readings in International Studies	3
GCC541 Field Methods and Cultural Engagement	3
Required Hours:	3
General Elective Hours:	12
Total Hours Required:	96

MASTER OF ARTS IN BIBLICAL STUDIES

This degree program is designed for a student who seeks a graduate-level biblical and theological education to prepare for further seminary training or for pastoral ministry, missionary service, youth work, campus work, Bible teaching, literature work, or other local church responsibilities. Maranatha Baptist Seminary models, encourages and promotes the following learning objectives, which the typical student who graduates with a Master of Arts in Biblical Studies should accomplish.

- To articulate biblical and systematic theology with scriptural support using a dispensational hermeneutical framework.
- To exercise biblical discernment in evaluating current trends in theology, biblical interpretation and culture.
- To communicate God's Word accurately and effectively in a preaching or teaching setting.
- To apply a basic understanding of biblical languages to the preparation and delivery of sermons and lessons.
- To evaluate past and current events in the context of church and Baptist history.
- To demonstrate faithfulness in a preaching or teaching ministry at a baptistic, separatist church.

A minimum of 33 semester hours of approved credit must be completed for the Master of Arts in Biblical Studies. The Bachelor of Arts or Bachelor of Science degree from an approved institution must be held by the applicant. No more than 12 semester hours of graduate credit from another institution may be applied toward this degree. A grade point average of 3.0 or better must be earned. A maximum of two C grades will be credited toward graduation. Applicants may be required to make up deficiencies without credit in any of the departments at the discretion of the Academic Senate.

Biblical Languages

<i>Elective Classes:</i>	
GOT511 Hebrew Grammar 1	3
GOT512 Hebrew Grammar 2	3
GOT615 Hebrew Syntax	2
GOT616 Hebrew Exegesis	2
GNT517 Greek Reading	2
GNT518 Greek Exegetical Grammar	2
GNT519 Greek Exegetical Method	2
NT Exegesis Course	3
OT Exegesis Course	3
Required Hours:	4

Biblical Studies

<i>Required Classes:</i>	
GOT514 Biblical Theology of the Old Testament	3
GNT515 Biblical Theology of the New Testament	3
<i>Elective Classes:</i>	
GBS510 Introduction to the Old and New Testaments	3
GOT521 Old Testament Backgrounds	3
GOT525 Holy Land Tour	3
GOT528 Exposition of Pentateuch	3
GOT532 Exposition of Daniel	3
GOT534 Exposition of Major Prophets	3
GOT535 Exposition of the Minor Prophets	3
GOT539 Exposition of Ezra, Nehemiah, and Esther	3
GOT540 Exposition of Job	3
GOT541 Exposition of Psalms	3
GOT543 Exposition of Proverbs	2
GNT520 New Testament Backgrounds	3
GNT529 Exposition of the Gospels	3
GNT530 Exposition of Pastoral Epistles	3
GNT532 Exposition of First Corinthians	3
GNT533 Exposition of Galatians	3
GNT534 Exposition of Hebrews	3
GNT540 Exposition of Acts	3
GNT556 Exposition of Revelation	3

GNT632 Exegesis and Exposition of the General Epistles	3
GNT642 Exegesis and Exposition of Paul's Epistles	3
GNT737 Exegesis and Exposition of Romans	3
GNT742 Exegesis and Exposition of the Prison Epistles	3
Required Hours:	12
Systematic Theology	
<i>Required Classes:</i>	
GST510 Prolegomena	1
GST520 Dispensationalism and Dispensational Hermeneutics	3
<i>Take two of the following classes:</i>	
GST611 Systematic Theology 1 – Bibliology, Theology Proper	2
GST612 Systematic Theology 2 – Christology and Pneumatology	3
GST613 Systematic Theology 3 – Anthropology, Hamartiology and Soteriology	3
GST614 Systematic Theology 4 – Eschatology, Angelology, and Ecclesiology	3
<i>Elective Classes:</i>	
GST530 Apologetics and Worldviews	3
GST600 Theological Systems	3
GST620 Contemporary Theology	3
GST720 Reformation Theology	3
GST721 History of Baptist Theology	3
Required Hours:	9
Historical Theology	
<i>Required Classes (take one of the following):</i>	
GHI608 Baptist History	3
GHI628 History of Christianity	3
GHI515 American Fundamentalism and Evangelicalism	3
GHI548 History of Baptist Missions	3
Required Hours:	3

Pastoral Theology ¹	
<i>Elective Classes:</i>	
GPA 511 Church Administration	2
GPA521 Introduction to Preaching ²	2
GPA522 Expository Preaching of the Old Testament	2
GPA523 Expository Preaching of the New Testament	2
GPA530 Philosophy of Ministry	2
GPA531 Church Planting	2
GPA535 Advanced Small Groups	2
GPA610 Building a Disciple-Making Ministry	2
GPA612 Pastoral Ethics	2
GPA614 Baptist Polity	2
GPA615 Theology of Prayer and Worship	2
GPA618 Building a Church Missions Program	2
GPA715 Theology of Leadership	2
GPA717 Discipleship and Mentoring	2
GPA720 The Local Church and the Law	2
GPA721 The Pastor and the Law	2
Required Hours:	2
General Elective Hours:	3
Total Hours Required:	33

¹ Female students are not required to take Pastoral Theology classes. They may be replaced with any Bible elective.

² Course may not be taken if the student has taken an undergraduate equivalent.

MASTER OF ARTS IN BIBLICAL COUNSELING

Pastors, missionaries, and church leaders are encountering challenges which are increasingly difficult and complex. The need to know how to provide biblical guidance for those to whom they minister is greater than ever.

This degree program is designed for a student who seeks graduate level biblical, theological, and counseling education to prepare for a biblical counseling ministry in areas such as missionary service, youth work, campus work, and Bible teaching within the context of the local church. The Seminary desires to prepare students in the Master of Arts in Biblical Counseling program who are able:

- To articulate biblical and systematic theology with scriptural support using a dispensational hermeneutical framework.
- To exercise biblical discernment in assessing cultural issues and behavioral norms.
- To communicate God's Word effectively in response to common counseling issues.
- To evaluate dispositions of listening and relating to counselees for the purpose of leading them toward spiritual restoration and growth.
- To demonstrate faithfulness in ministry at a baptistic, separatist church.

A minimum of 33 semester hours of approved credit must be completed for this degree. The Bachelor of Arts or Bachelor of Science degree from an approved institution must be held by the applicant. No more than 12 semester hours of graduate credit from another institution may be applied toward this degree. A grade point average of 3.0 or better must be earned. A maximum of two C grades will be credited toward graduation. Applicants may be required to make up deficiencies without credit in any of the departments at the discretion of the Academic Senate. To complete this degree the student must attend a Maranatha Seminary approved counseling seminar which is not offered on campus or online. A biblical counseling internship is also required and is used to strengthen the skills that are being learned. This Masters Degree can be completed mainly online with some virtual classes if you are interested in completing this from a distance.

Old Testament

<i>Required Classes (take one of the following):</i>	
GOT540 Exposition of Job	3
GOT541 Exposition of Psalms	3
<i>Elective Classes:</i>	
GOT514 Biblical Theology of the Old Testament	3
GOT521 Old Testament Backgrounds	3
GOT525 Holy Land Tour	3
GOT528 Exposition of Pentateuch	3
GOT532 Exposition of Daniel	3
GOT534 Exposition of Major Prophets	3
GOT535 Exposition of the Minor Prophets	3
GOT539 Exposition of Ezra, Nehemiah, and Esther	3
GOT543 Exposition of Proverbs	2
Required Hours:	3

New Testament

<i>Elective Classes:</i>	
GNT515 Biblical Theology of the New Testament	3
GNT520 New Testament Backgrounds	3
GNT529 Exposition of the Gospels	3
GNT530 Exposition of Pastoral Epistles	3
GNT532 Exposition of First Corinthians	3
GNT533 Exposition of Galatians	3
GNT534 Exposition of Hebrews	3
GNT540 Exposition of Acts	3
GNT556 Exposition of Revelation	3
Required Hours:	3

Systematic Theology

<i>Required Classes:</i>	
GST510 Prolegomena	1
GST520 Dispensationalism and Dispensational Hermeneutics	3
GST613 ST 3 – Anthropology, Hamartiology and Soteriology	3
<i>Take one of the following classes:</i>	
GST611 ST 1 – Bibliology and Theology Proper	2
GST612 ST 2 – Christology and Pneumatology	3

GST614 ST 4 – Eschatology, Angelology, and Ecclesiology	3
<i>Elective Classes:</i>	
GST530 Apologetics and Worldviews	3
GST600 Theological Systems	3
GST620 Contemporary Theology	3
GST720 Reformation Theology	3
GST721 History of Baptist Theology	3
Required Hours:	9
Historical Theology ¹	
<i>Required Classes (take one of the following):</i>	
GHI608 Baptist History	3
GHI628 History of Christianity	3
Required Hours:	3
Biblical Counseling	
<i>Required Classes:</i>	
GBC503 Methods of Biblical Change ²	2
GBC513 Counseling Problems and Procedures	2
GBC535 Crisis Counseling	2
GBC537 Marriage and Family Counseling	2
GBC580 Biblical Counseling Seminar	2
GBC582 Biblical Counseling Practicum	2
<i>Elective Classes:</i>	
GBC501 Theology and Practice of Pastoral Counseling ³	2
GBC540 Counseling Addictive Behavior	2
GBC550 Proverbs and Counseling	2
GBC 560 Counseling Survivors of Abuse	2
Required Hours:	14

¹ This requirement is waived for women students. It is waived for men who took a class in Baptist History or Church History in college. The three hours may be taken in another area, preferably in Biblical Counseling.

² Course may be waived if the student has taken undergraduate biblical counseling classes.

³ Men students only.

General Elective Hours:	1
Total Hours Required:	33

MASTER OF ARTS IN INTER-CULTURAL STUDIES
GLOBAL MINISTRIES TRACK
URBAN MINISTRIES TRACK

This degree program is designed for a student who seeks a graduate-level biblical and theological education to prepare students for service in an urban or overseas ministry or to enhance the ministry of a current missionary. The Seminary desires to prepare students in the Master of Arts in Inter-Cultural Studies program who are able:

- To articulate biblical and systematic theology with scriptural support using a dispensational hermeneutical framework.
- To apply the basic principles of church planting.
- To evaluate the policies and practices of missionaries and mission agencies.
- To analyze cultures and worldviews, particularly in the student's future or current place of ministry.
- To exercise biblical discernment in assessing current trends in inter-cultural studies (whether global or urban).
- To demonstrate faithfulness in ministry at a baptistic, separatist church.

A minimum of 33 semester hours of approved credit must be completed for the Master of Arts in Inter-Cultural studies. The Bachelor of Arts or Bachelor of Science degree from an approved institution must be held by the applicant. No more than 12 semester hours of graduate credit from another institution may be applied toward this degree. A grade point average of 3.0 or better must be earned. A maximum of two C grades will be credited toward graduation. Applicants may be required to make up deficiencies without credit in any of the departments at the discretion of the Academic Senate. To finish this degree the student must complete a 12 week internship either in an Urban ministry or in a foreign country with an approved supervisor. Students are strongly encouraged to consider their type of field planning before beginning this program. This Masters Degree can be completed mainly online with some virtual classes if you are interested in working on this degree from a distance.

Biblical Studies

<i>Elective Classes:</i>	
GOT514 Biblical Theology of the Old Testament	3
GOT521 Old Testament Backgrounds	3
GOT525 Holy Land Tour	3
GOT528 Exposition of Pentateuch	3
GOT532 Exposition of Daniel	3
GOT534 Exposition of Major Prophets	3
GOT535 Exposition of the Minor Prophets	3
GOT539 Exposition of Ezra, Nehemiah, and Esther	3
GOT540 Exposition of Job	3
GOT541 Exposition of Psalms	3
GOT543 Exposition of Proverbs	2
GNT515 Biblical Theology of the New Testament	3
GNT520 New Testament Backgrounds	3
GNT529 Exposition of the Gospels	3
GNT530 Exposition of Pastoral Epistles	3
GNT532 Exposition of First Corinthians	3
GNT533 Exposition of Galatians	3
GNT534 Exposition of Hebrews	3
GNT540 Exposition of Acts	3
GNT556 Exposition of Revelation	3

Required Hours: 6

Systematic Theology

Required Classes:

GST510 Prolegomena	1
GST520 Dispensationalism and Dispensational Hermeneutics	3
<i>Take two of the following classes:</i>	
GST611 ST 1 – Bibliology and Theology Proper	2
GST612 ST 2 – Christology and Pneumatology	3
GST613 ST 3 – Anthropology, Hamartiology and Soteriology	3
GST614 ST 4 – Eschatology, Angelology, and Ecclesiology	3

Required Hours: 9

Historical Theology

Required Class:

GHI548 History of Baptist Missions	3
Required Hours:	3
Inter-Cultural Studies – Global Ministries Track	
<i>Required Classes:</i>	
GCC502 Theological Issues in Missions	3
GCC540 Readings in International Studies ¹	3
GCC541 Field Methods ¹	3
GCC570 Inter-Cultural Internship ¹	2
<i>Elective Classes:</i>	
GCC504 Church Planting	2
GCC509 Linguistics	3
GCC510 Advanced Linguistics	3
GCC512 World Religions	3
GCC780 Seminar in Inter-Cultural Studies	2
Required Hours:	14
Inter-Cultural Studies – Urban Ministries Track	
<i>Required Classes:</i>	
GCC502 Theological Issues in Missions	3
GCC531 A Theology of Urban Ministry ²	3
GCC532 The Christian and the City ²	3
GCC533 Discipleship in the City ²	3
GCC571 Urban Internship ²	2
<i>Elective Classes:</i>	
GCC504 Church Planting	2
GCC509 Linguistics	3
GCC780 Seminar in Inter-Cultural Studies	2
Required Hours:	14
General Elective Hours:	1
Total Hours Required:	33

¹ These classes are all part of the inter-cultural internship.

² These classes are all part of the urban internship.

MASTER OF ARTS IN BIBLE

This degree program is designed for a student who seeks a graduate-level biblical and theological education without the necessity of traveling to Maranatha's campus. This degree is offered online, although students may attend campus classes or take virtual classes if they desire. It is structured so that individuals in ministry or in a career which restricts them from attending classes on campus are still able to obtain an advanced degree in Bible. It also allows individuals who serve in voluntary positions in a ministry to enhance their Biblical knowledge. This program has more electives than the other Master of Arts programs, allowing the student to obtain a broader graduate education.

The Seminary desires to prepare students in the Master of Arts in Bible who are able:

- To articulate biblical and systematic theology with scriptural support using a dispensational hermeneutical framework.
- To exercise biblical discernment in evaluating current trends in theology, biblical interpretation and culture.
- To interpret God's Word from a dispensational hermeneutic.
- To articulate biblical and theological truth in a variety of settings both within and outside the local church.
- To demonstrate faithfulness in ministry at a baptistic, separatist church.

A minimum of 33 semester hours of approved credit must be completed for the Master of Arts in Bible. The Bachelor of Arts or Bachelor of Science degree from an approved institution must be held by the applicant. No more than 12 semester hours of graduate credit from another approved institution may be applied toward this degree. A grade point average of 3.0 or better must be earned. A maximum of two C grades will be credited toward graduation.

Old Testament

<i>Required Class:</i>	
GOT514 Biblical Theology of the Old Testament	3
<i>Elective Classes:</i>	
GOT521 Old Testament Backgrounds	3
GOT525 Holy Land Tour	3
GOT528 Exposition of Pentateuch	3
GOT530 Exposition of Major Prophets	3
GOT532 Exposition of Daniel	3
GOT535 Exposition of the Minor Prophets	3

GOT539 Exposition of Ezra, Nehemiah, and Esther	3
GOT540 Exposition of Job	3
GOT541 Exposition of Psalms	3
GOT543 Exposition of Proverbs	2
GOT720 Messianic Prophecy	3
Required Hours:	6
New Testament	
<i>Required Class:</i>	
GNT515 Biblical Theology of the New Testament	3
<i>Elective Classes:</i>	
GNT520 New Testament Backgrounds	3
GNT529 Exposition of the Gospels	3
GNT530 Exposition of Pastoral Epistles	3
GNT532 Exposition of First Corinthians	3
GNT534 Exposition of Hebrews	3
GNT540 Exposition of Acts	3
GNT556 Exposition of Revelation	3
Required Hours:	6
Systematic Theology	
<i>Required Classes:</i>	
GST510 Prolegomena	1
GST520 Dispensationalism and Dispensational Hermeneutics	3
<i>Elective Classes:</i>	
GST611 ST 1 – Bibliology and Theology Proper	2
GST612 ST 2 – Christology and Pneumatology	3
GST613 ST 3 – Anthropology, Hamartiology and Soteriology	3
GST614 ST 4 – Eschatology, Angelology and Ecclesiology	3
Required Hours:	9
Pastoral Theology	
<i>Required Class:</i>	
GPA524 Principles of Bible Study and Teaching	3
Required Hours:	3

Historical Theology	
<i>Elective Classes:</i>	
GHI515 American Fundamentalism and Evangelicalism	3
GHI548 History of Baptist Missions	3
GHI608 Baptist History	3
GHI628 History of Christianity	3
Required Hours:	3
General Elective Hours:	6
Total Hours Required:	33

ACADEMIC POLICIES

STUDENTS

Full-time Student: A full-time student takes at least eight hours per semester. This may be a mix of traditional, virtual, and online classes. Winter-term module classes are considered part of the spring semester. Summer classes are considered to be part of the summer term.

Part-time Student: A part-time student takes less than eight hours per semester. A student may be a part-time student one semester and a full-time student in another semester.

Resident Student: Resident students live in or near Watertown and take traditional classes. While resident students are not under many of the restrictions and requirements for the undergraduate students, you should become acquainted with the University Student Life Journal. While on campus, you are expected to abide by the spirit of the Student Life Journal. See www.mbu.edu/slh for information. Seminary students are not under the University rules, but are expected to be examples of Christ-like living before the University students. Seminary students do not need passes, they have separate Seminary academic requirements, and there are different attendance requirements. Specific instructions are found in the online catalog.

Non-Resident Student: Non-resident students take only online, virtual, or module classes.

Guest Student: Guest students have not applied to the Seminary and are not working toward a specific degree or they have applied, but are still working through the application process. Guest students must complete the online Maranatha Baptist Seminary Guest Student form (www.mbu.edu/seminary/guest-students) for each course taken. A maximum of 12 semester hours may be completed while in this status. Upon completion of these 12 hours in the Seminary, the guest student must submit an application and enroll in a specific Seminary program before being allowed to take any additional classes. Guest students are responsible for the tuition and fees associated with each class.

COURSES

Each semester's class schedule is posted on the Seminary website. Syllabi for classes are posted there as well. See www.mbu.edu/seminary/course-schedule. Registration for the Seminary is accomplished through the my.mbu.edu portal. The Seminary office can assist you for registration. Email seminary@mbu.edu or call (920)206-2324 for assistance.

Courses are offered in five formats: traditional, virtual, online, module, and directed studies.

Traditional Classes. Traditional classes are classroom courses offered in the traditional, sixteen-week semester format. All course work is done during the semester.

Virtual Classes. Virtual classes are traditional classes offered on the internet in real time. Students join the classroom and participate as if they were actually in the class. All course work is done during the semester.

Online Classes. Online classes are offered via a learning management system. They typically meet for eight weeks of online classwork, with an additional four weeks to finish research and writing requirements. There are generally no required meeting times during the week, giving the student the maximum flexibility.

Module Classes. Module classes meet for only one week. Modules typically begin at noon on Monday and conclude Friday afternoon, or meet in the evenings. Faculty may place their own due dates for various projects or tests for the class, but all masters level work is due no later than nine weeks and all doctoral level work is due no later than twelve weeks after the last day of class. Modules may be taken virtually.

Directed Studies. A limited number of courses may be taken as directed studies. These courses contain the same basic content information as any of the above courses but are taken independently of the classroom. Permission to take these courses must be obtained in advance. Directed Studies forms are obtained through the Seminary Office. There is a Directed Study fee which is charged in addition to the regular tuition.

ACCELERATED DEGREE COMPLETION

Maranatha understands that there is a measure of duplication between current undergraduate Bible programs and seminary programs, which was not present when the Master of Divinity was historically initiated. Therefore, to maintain the integrity of the masters programs, but also to assist the student in finishing his/her education in a timely fashion, Maranatha Baptist Seminary allows specific university classes to count as Advanced Placement.

Advanced Placement refers to the acceptance of certain undergraduate courses to fulfill seminary course requirements. Students who receive Advance Placement will receive academic credit for these courses and will not have to take the corresponding Seminary course. This has no relationship to the transfer of graduate credits into the Seminary.

Maranatha allows students who graduate from a Bible college to receive up to twenty-eight (28) hours of Advanced Placement for the Master of Divinity degree and up to twelve (12) hours for the Master of Arts degrees. Advanced Placement courses must approximate the Seminary course, be 300 or 400 level courses, and have been taken in the student's junior or senior year of college. The grade for each course must be a B- or better, and the student's final college GPA must be 2.5 or better.

The student is responsible to request Advanced Placement using the Advanced Placement form (www.mbu.edu/seminary/learning-options). If applying for Advanced Placement for Greek or Hebrew, use one form for each language. Advance Placement for biblical language classes requires a competency exam. There is one exam for Greek and one for Hebrew; students may receive Advanced Placement for more than one class based on the results of the Greek or Hebrew exam. The Seminary will give as much credit as it deems appropriate based on the placement tests.

Applicants seeking Advanced Placement for courses other than biblical languages must submit the course syllabus and one major example of class work (e.g., research paper, final exam) for each class; this material must be submitted with the Advanced Placement application. Use a separate application for each class. An interview may be required.

Please submit each application to the Seminary office. These courses will be added to the student's Seminary transcript upon successful completion of thirty-two (32) hours in the Master of Divinity and twelve (12) hours in the Master of Arts.

REGISTRATION

For your first semester, it is suggested that you meet with the Dean of the Seminary prior to registering for classes. You will be assigned a Seminary faculty member as an adviser during your first semester at Maranatha. You will normally register for classes on the my.mbu.edu portal.

If you plan to live in the University Residence Halls, you must complete the Health History Report [www.mbu.edu/seminary/wp-content/uploads/ Medical-History.pdf](http://www.mbu.edu/seminary/wp-content/uploads/Medical-History.pdf) and submit this to the Admissions Office.

COURSE CANCELLATION

The administration reserves the right to cancel any course for which the enrollment is fewer than six students.

PAYMENT FOR CLASSES AND HOUSING

Your account may be viewed at my.mbu.edu under the Finance tab. Payments may be made online, in person in the Business Office, or mailed to:

Maranatha Baptist Seminary
745 West Main Street
Watertown, WI 53094

STUDENT LOAD

The normal load for a full-time student is 12 hours per semester. The minimum full-time load is 8 semester hours. An appropriate course load will be determined with the help of your Seminary advisor.

WITHDRAWAL OR CHANGE FROM CREDIT TO AUDIT

In a traditional class (including a virtual class) you may withdraw from the class or change from Credit to Audit any time prior to the eighth week of the semester without academic penalty. After the first day of class, any change that reduces the academic hour load will produce a credit to your account. Please see the Financial Information page for the refund rate.

You may withdraw from an online class or change an online class from Credit to Audit any time prior to the fourth week of the class without academic penalty. After the first day of class, any change that reduces the academic hour load will produce a credit to your account. Please see the Financial Information page for the refund rate.

If you withdraw from a module class prior to the beginning of the class, you will not be charged tuition or the comprehensive fee. If you withdraw or change from Credit to Audit prior to the last day of the class, you will be charged half the normal tuition and the full comprehensive fee for that class. You may not withdraw from the class on or after the last day, but you may change from Credit to Audit up to four weeks after the last day of the module; you will, however, be charged the full tuition and comprehensive fee. Please see the Financial Information page for more information.

ATTENDANCE REQUIREMENTS

Students in traditional or virtual classes are expected to attend a minimum of 80% of the class sessions. However, if you miss class frequently, do not expect an exemplary grade. Faculty members may add specific academic penalties for failure to attend class; these will be clearly delineated in the class syllabus. The nature of graduate education requires consistent attendance in the classroom.

Students living in or near Watertown are required to attend the Seminary chapel on Thursdays and Fridays; students living a distance from Watertown are required to attend the Seminary chapel if they are in class during the morning at any time. Permission to miss chapel may be obtained only from the Dean of the Seminary. Any student who is on campus on other days during a University chapel period must attend the University chapel.

Resident students are required to attend the evening special meetings of the University (opening meetings each semester and any required conference meetings).

You are invited to attend the various University functions, such as sporting events, plays, concerts, recitals, etc. However, there is no requirement to attend any of these.

GRADE POINT AVERAGE REQUIREMENTS

You must earn a minimum grade point average of 3.0 in order to graduate with an MA. Only two C's may be applied to an MA.

You must earn a minimum grade point average of 2.5 in order to graduate with the MDiv.

You must earn a minimum grade point average of 3.0 in order to graduate with the DMin.

TIME LIMIT ON FULFILLING ACADEMIC REQUIREMENTS

You normally will comply with the academic requirements of the catalog dated for the year of your initial enrollment in Maranatha Baptist Seminary. If you do not enroll in the Seminary for more than two consecutive years, you may be required to fulfill the requirements indicated in the catalog current at the time of re-enrollment. If you do not complete the requirements for graduation within seven years of admission, you will be required to secure permission from the Seminary Academic Committee to fulfill the requirements for the program prescribed in the current catalog before being allowed to graduate.

GRADUATION

You are invited to participate in the commencement activities of Maranatha Baptist University and Maranatha Baptist Seminary. These activities take place once a year in early May. You may participate provided that all course work for your program is completed by commencement or can be completed in the summer following commencement. You must register your intent to march in commencement with the University Registrar's Office no later than the January prior to commencement.

PAPER REQUIREMENTS

The Seminary has adopted Kate L. Turabian, *A Manual for Writers of Term Papers, Theses and Dissertations* (Chicago: University of Chicago), latest edition, and Nancy Jean Vyhmeister, *Quality Research Papers* (Grand Rapids: Zondervan), latest edition, as its writing manuals. While these include everything necessary for a paper, it is not always easy to find the specific information. The Seminary provides a sample paper and various paper templates in the Research Module in each class.

ACADEMIC AND INTELLECTUAL EXPECTATIONS

The Seminary has an expectation of collegiality in and out of the classroom. There must be an ability and willingness to talk about controversial issues in an attitude of mutual respect between students, professors and others. The classes should not degenerate into arguments, especially over issues that have been debated regularly among fundamental Baptists. You should not attempt to pit one teacher against another in your classes. We desire that there be an openness in class discussion and a transparency of both faculty and students. The class professor has the right to end a discussion which he believes has become nonproductive.

You are now studying at a graduate level; expectations are, therefore, high. The Seminary expects you to perform your academic work in a timely fashion. The development of time management skills while in Seminary will greatly benefit you in the future, both in your personal life and in your ministry. Ministry involves managing numerous activities at one time. You are preparing for a life ministry which will focus primarily on serving people. This demands a serious consideration of your own schedule and the schedules of those whom you serve. To encourage you in the development and strengthening of your time management skills, the Seminary has established a Late Academic Work Policy. This policy is the minimum penalty for work not turned in on time. The professor may impose a greater penalty, but not a lesser. Work not turned in on the day it is due will have its grade reduced 4% for each calendar day that it is late. The Seminary realizes that serious extenuating circumstances, such as a lengthy illness or a death in the family, may prevent some students from completing class projects on time. Requests for appropriate extensions for these types of serious circumstances may be made to the Seminary Academic Senate via a written petition submitted to the Seminary Office. Use the Extension Deadline Request Form located on the Seminary Group page under Seminary Forms.

Maranatha views any form of academic dishonesty as a serious offense. Scripture emphasizes the necessity of honesty, “not only in the sight of the Lord, but also in the sight of men” (2 Corinthians 8:21). Academic dishonesty will bring severe academic and disciplinary sanction and possible expulsion from the Seminary. Academic dishonesty includes but is not limited to the following:

1. Cheating on a test or assignment. Cheating is defined as knowingly giving or receiving information relative to written assignments, tests, or quizzes in an unauthorized fashion.
2. Sharing or receiving advance information regarding the content or answers for a test or quiz.
3. Handing in the same paper or similar paper in more than one class without the written permission of all instructors involved.
4. Plagiarism is defined as a) representing the words or unique thoughts of another as your own or b) failure to accurately differentiate between material that originated from you and that obtained from other sources.
5. Submitting as your own work (papers or projects) materials unethically or inappropriately enhanced by another student or typist without the specific written permission of the faculty member. You should carefully note class parameters in this respect. Absent specific instructions, typists or proofreaders must be careful to avoid making corrections or

alterations that change the creative or intellectual content or quality of the work.

6. Cyber-plagiarism is defined as downloading from the internet or other electronic sources information or term papers that are submitted as your own work. Downloading papers for submission as your own work or for the purpose of assisting another student are grievous breaches of academic honesty that may result in class failure or expulsion from the Seminary.
7. Cyber-collaboration is defined as unauthorized transmittal by electronic means of work produced by another student. Unless the faculty member gives specific permission, you may not share, by any means, copies of homework, tests, quizzes, or projects to other students *for any reason*. This is defined as excessive and unacceptable help.
8. You may not share your completed work on assignments, tests, papers, etc. with another student unless both students have already completed the work. Completed work is to be in the private control of each student.
9. If you give other students access to your academic work in any way, including via shared files, disks, passwords, etc., you are subject to penalties for unethical collaboration.
10. You are responsible to exercise due care and caution in protecting your work from unauthorized access.

The Seminary recognizes the validity of collaborative educational efforts (cooperation of students with each other in preparation for a class). However, valid individual effort must precede that collaboration.

1. Collaboration is a legitimate learning experience. However, faculty expect that a student will initially do his own work.
2. It is acceptable for a student who filled out his study guide, but was unable to find an answer or did not understand one of the questions to ask for help from another student. It is **not acceptable** for a student who failed to do his study guide to ask to borrow his neighbor's study guide to cram for a quiz or test.
3. It is acceptable for a group of students, after doing their own initial work, to compare answers and to quiz each other over the test or quiz questions. It is **not acceptable** for a student who has done little or no personal preparation to join such a study group.
4. It is acceptable for a student who was absent from class to obtain notes from another student for the day he was absent. It is **not acceptable** for a student who did not feel like taking notes, or who was working on

other class work, to obtain notes from another student. It is also **unacceptable** for a student to use notes or study guides from a prior semester.

5. It is acceptable to use a copy of another student's paper for help on the form and structure, but it is **not acceptable** to use content from that paper for his own paper, unless the paper is cited as a source. It is also **unacceptable** to use material from a book or article without citing that material in the paper.

STUDENT LIFE POLICIES

STUDENT MAIL BOXES

Students living in or near Watertown may request an on-campus mail box. Box numbers and keys are obtained from the Admissions Office. You may be required to share a mail box with other students. Please be careful to pick up only your mail.

COMPUTER ACCESS

You have access to the Maranatha computer network through your Student Account, which is created by the IT Department. Your account information will be sent to you as soon as your account is created. This gives you your own email account, use of the lab and library computers, and access to the network and the Maranatha learning management system. This account will be maintained on a semester basis. Be sure to save any files or folders you wish to keep to your own media before the end of the semester.

In order to better meet the needs of students and faculty, Maranatha's Information Technology Department publishes policies, tips, and vital information via the IT and Online Support *Quick Link* found on My Maranatha. You are encouraged to become familiar with this page once you receive a Maranatha account. If you are in need of further IT help, please contact the IT Help Desk at 920-206-2322 or email support@mbu.edu.

BIBLE COMPUTERS

The Library has a set of computers that are equipped for undergraduate Bible majors and Seminary students. These have some of the best software for Bible study. We would encourage you to get acquainted with the various programs available on those computers. See the Librarian for more information.

PERSONAL DEPARTMENT

We expect that as a Seminary student you are more serious and more mature than a University student. The Seminary expects an inner discipline of the spiritual life which is reflected in your outer walk.

Department problems are dealt with initially by your Mentor; the Seminary Faculty as a whole compose a Discipline Committee for serious problems. A student that does not agree with the ethos of the Seminary will not be re-enrolled for the next semester; in serious situations, a student may be dismissed

immediately. Records of meetings between students and Mentors, or between students and the Seminary Faculty as a whole, will be kept in the Seminary Office.

Seminary students who live in the residence halls are expected to abide by the spirit of the resident hall rules. There are no requirements for passes or permissions. There are no limitations on hours. There are no attendance requirements for resident hall devotions, room devotions, etc., but attendance is encouraged. Out of courtesy for the residence hall supervisors, please inform them when you will be gone overnight or will be back to the residence hall after resident hall lock.

When you interact with University students in any way (dating, travel, etc.), the University students must meet all University expectations; you must be sensitive to and supportive of these requirements. Encouraging or enabling a University student to violate University rules is grounds for dismissal from the Seminary.

Maranatha maintains conservative standards for dress and conduct for its students. You may not use tobacco, alcohol, or illegal drugs at any time. Non-resident students while they are in Watertown and resident students are expected to adhere to the spirit of the dress and deportment standards of the Maranatha family (www.mbu.edu/slh). For specific information, please see the Dean of the Seminary.

Willful damage to University property will not be tolerated. All damage must be paid for whether willful or accidental.

Cell phones are to be turned off or ringers disabled during the following times:

- Classes
- Chapel
- Special meetings

Cell phone ringers and sounds must meet Maranatha's music guidelines. You may not use faculty/staff or office phones, unless specifically directed.

MOVIES/VIDEOS/DVDS/TELEVISION/COMPUTER OR VIDEO GAMES

Seminary students are expected to use discernment when watching television or videos and refrain from watching any programs which involve themes or scenes which are not suitable for a Christian leader. Most things rated R and all rated X have no place in a believer's life. Poor judgment in entertainment choices demonstrates a lack of Christian character. If you have University students in your home or apartment, you must be aware of and adhere to the regulations applicable to them. These guidelines also apply to video games.

MUSIC – GENERAL GUIDELINES

Maranatha Baptist Seminary desires that its students learn to appreciate good music. Because believers are to “love not the world, neither the things that are in the world” (1 John 2:15), students are expected to refrain from singing, playing, possessing, purchasing, or listening to unacceptable kinds of music.

- All music that students have and listen to in residence hall rooms or vehicles must be compatible with Maranatha’s music standards.
- Unacceptable records, tapes, CDs, sheet music, mp3s, etc., are not permitted in the resident hall.
- Attending an unapproved music concert is unacceptable.

PARTICIPATION IN UNIVERSITY EVENTS

You may participate in some University events.

As a member of the NCAA Division III, there are limits placed upon athletic competition. Only those who have received their undergraduate degree from Maranatha Baptist University may participate in intercollegiate athletics as a graduate student-athlete of Maranatha Baptist Seminary, provided they have 1) remaining eligibility and 2) meet the academic requirements. Please contact the MBU Athletic Director for more specific information.

If you desire to participate in choirs, plays, and other fine arts events, you should contact the choir director, play director, or chairman of the College of Fine Arts. Please contact the Dean of the Seminary as well.

You may also become involved in campus based ministry opportunities. See the Dean of the Seminary or the University Office of Student Ministries for additional information.

We encourage you to carefully consider the time requirements of Seminary studies and be careful not to become involved in too many extra-curricular activities.

DATING

Maranatha Baptist Seminary is a wonderful place to find your future mate. While we encourage the development of appropriate relationships, we must be considerate of the University guidelines for its students.

A dating couple must abide by the rules for the student with the lesser status. If you are dating an undergraduate student you must abide by all of the University rules. All the normal dating hours, places, and standards of conduct are in force.

If you are dating an on-campus undergraduate student, your name must appear on any pass of the undergraduate student for times you will be with that student.

If you are dating a University student classified as an older student (23 or older), a Seminary student, or a faculty or staff member, you are expected to abide by biblical standards of conduct and to exhibit a good Christian testimony.

IDENTIFICATION CARDS

ID cards are issued for resident students during Registration and are the property of Maranatha Baptist Seminary. Non-resident students may request an ID card from the Seminary Office. They must be shown or surrendered to any campus authority (faculty, staff, security, etc.) upon request. If you withdraw, are suspended, or expelled, you must surrender your ID card to the Seminary Office.

- Carry your ID card at all times.
- ID cards are required for admission to the dining hall, for the use of gym facilities, and for checking materials out of the library. They may also be required for admission to university activities and facilities here or at other colleges.
- Lost or stolen ID cards must be reported promptly. The fee for a replacement card is \$15.
- ID cards are not to be loaned, borrowed, or duplicated in any way.
- Maranatha reserves the right to confiscate any form of false identification.

STUDENT EMPLOYMENT

The Seminary recognizes that most students must find employment to remain in school. Students must recognize that their primary purpose for attending the Seminary is their education. Finding the balance between work and studies is difficult. The Seminary has two requirements concerning employment:

- You may not work in any restaurant that serves alcohol or in any video outlets.
- Work may not conflict with seminary class attendance. If your employment will require you to miss church, chapel, or required evening services, you must receive permission from the Dean of the Seminary.

NON-RESIDENT AND GUEST STUDENT INFORMATION

Please contact the Welcome Center to make arrangements to visit campus by phone at 920-206-2370 or by email at GuestRelations@mbu.edu. Upon arrival on campus, check in at the Welcome Center for room information. Housing may also be available with members of the faculty and staff. Please contact the Seminary Office if you would like information regarding that housing option. You may eat meals off-campus or in the University Dining Hall. To pay for meals with credit card or to buy a meal card, please use the Welcome Center; please pay cash or use your pre-paid meal card at the door.

NON-RESIDENT AND GUEST STUDENT PARKING

If you are enrolled only in modules, virtual classes or online classes at Maranatha Baptist Seminary, you are not required to pay a parking fee to park on campus.

Resident students may park in the parking lot on the north side of the gym (Lot B-1), or in the sections of the parking lot on the east side of campus that are designated for off campus students and visitors (Lot B-2). Parking is on a space available basis. If there are no spaces available, then please park on Main Street.

SCHOLARSHIPS

Maranatha provides a limited number of scholarships for its Seminary students. More information can be found at mbu.edu/seminary/scholarships. We are happy to assist you in applying for scholarships and grants from other third party providers.

With the exception of the Graduate Assistant Program, please be aware that the scholarships may not be posted to your account until approximately eight weeks after your classes begin.

DOCTOR OF MINISTRY SCHOLARSHIP

Eternal Vision has partnered with Maranatha Baptist Seminary to help pastors who desire to increase their education and effectiveness for the ministry by assisting new Doctor of Ministry students begin their program.

The Doctor of Ministry Scholarship will provide a grant of up to \$1000 for the first class a student takes. This scholarship will also provide a one-to-one matching scholarship for the second class; for every dollar the student's church provides for tuition, the scholarship will provide a one-to-one match based on available funds. This scholarship applies only to tuition.

SEMINARY TEST DRIVE

Maranatha offers the first two hours of masters level courses free of tuition to interested individuals to see what Seminary is like. This scholarship applies only to tuition.

SEMINARY SCHOLARSHIP

We desire to encourage pastors and others in vocational ministry who either have not had the opportunity for advanced education or who desire to continue their education or take additional coursework for personal enrichment. Therefore, Maranatha Baptist Seminary offers senior pastors, full-time assistant and youth pastors, full-time missionaries, full-time evangelists, full-time Christian camp workers and full-time Christian School teachers six additional hours of masters level education (after the Test Drive Scholarship) at a 50% tuition discount; you must pay the normal comprehensive fees. If the recipient's church has Maranatha Baptist Seminary in its budget for at least \$50 a month, he will receive the remainder of the master's program at a 25% tuition discount. For purposes of this scholarship, "full-time" means that the individual works and is paid for a minimum of 35 hours per week for at least nine months of the year in a church, Christian school, or ministry. This scholarship applies only to tuition.

GRADUATE ASSISTANT PROGRAM

The Seminary provides a Graduate Assistant Program for a limited number of Seminary students. Graduate Assistant compensation serves as the primary means of support for Seminary students selected as Graduate Assistants. This enables them to pursue a higher degree and grow professionally through the development of a variety of skills and leadership abilities. The Graduate Assistant Program covers the tuition and comprehensive fees for your program and for some GA positions, a stipend for personal expenses, and either room and board in the campus residence halls or additional funds for living off-campus.

SEMINARY SPOUSE SCHOLARSHIP

The Seminary Student Spouse Scholarship is designed to help the spouse of a Seminary Student obtain Seminary education at a time when the demands of schooling may not make it financially possible for a spouse to seek further education.

In order to qualify, one spouse must be enrolled for a minimum of eight hours of Seminary courses per semester. The spouse receiving the benefit must have a BS or BA degree to take Seminary classes for credit. If the spouse does not have a BS or BA degree, Seminary classes may be audited. The spouse receiving the benefit may receive only one Maranatha scholarship unless otherwise noted.

The Spouse Scholarship provides a 50% discount for the spouse's tuition. The spouse will be responsible for all fees. The spouse receiving the scholarship cannot take more hours than the other spouse.

SEMINARY SENIOR CITIZEN SCHOLARSHIP

The Seminary Senior Citizen Scholarship is designed to allow individuals who are entering their retirement years to participate in a Seminary program. Those who do not have a degree may want to consider the undergraduate Bible program, which can be taken on campus or online. Those who have a BA or BS degree are eligible to enroll in any of the Seminary masters programs.

The Seminary Senior Citizen Scholarship provides a 50% discount for masters level courses for individuals who are 55 years of age or older by the start of the class. This scholarship applies only to tuition.

SCHEDULE OF FEES

2018-2019
(per semester)

Masters Tuition per Semester Hour	\$ 322
Doctoral Tuition per Semester Hour	\$ 373
Comprehensive Fee per Semester Hour	\$ 25
Audit Fee per Class (Masters Students-No Comprehensive Fee Charged)	\$ 100
Academic Assessment/Tech Fee (One Time Only)	\$ 100
Room and Board (University Residence Hall and Food Service)	\$ 3,550
Course Drop/Add Fee (per Class after the Semester has begun)	\$ 15
Graduation Fee	\$ 125
Residence Hall Maintenance Fee (On Campus Students, One Time Only)	\$ 100
Returned Check Fee	\$ 30
Sports Participation Fee (per Sport)	\$ 60
Vehicle Parking Fee (On Campus, Resident Students Only)	\$ 65
Vehicle Parking Fee (Off Campus, Resident Students Only)	\$ 45

Explanation of Fees:

The *Comprehensive Fee* provides each student with e-mail, filtered internet, Microsoft Office, access to MyMaranatha, printing access, and network access. It allows the Library to provide a full range of services and resources to its patrons. These include the entire collection; inter-library loan; all current periodicals and electronic subscriptions; media equipment; and a capable, service oriented staff. The *Comprehensive Fee* also provides seminary students access to campus events (identification card that provides admittance to athletic events, programs, and recitals).

The *Technology/Academic Assessment Fee* is a one-time, non-refundable fee required for all degree-seeking students. This provides the student with a portfolio of his academic career at Maranatha and provides the Seminary a means to assess its entire program.

The *Residence Hall Maintenance Fee* is a one-time, non-refundable fee and is required for all first-time residence hall students. This assessment helps pay for maintenance of the residence halls and furniture upgrades.

Audit Fee: Students may join online, module and virtual classes for personal enrichment. Students will not receive academic credit and nothing will be placed on a transcript. Payment of the *Audit Fee* must be made before the student may join the class. Students will not be charged any other fees for these classes.

Payment Policies

Payment Plans – Full-time Students

Full-time students (taking 8 or more hours per semester) must make a down payment on or before the semester registration (Fall semester: August 15; Spring semester: January 2).

- *Plan 1–Payment in Full:* Students pay the semester bill by the down payment due dates.
- *Plan 2–Semester Plan:* Students pay 1/3 of the net semester costs (total charges minus anticipated financial aid) by the down payment due dates. The balance of the semester will be divided into three monthly payments due on the 15th of each month.

Payment Plan – Part-time Students

Part-time students, including those taking modules, online classes, and virtual classes, must pay the course costs before the class begins.

Payment Plan Policies Financial Information

- Final payment of the semester is due in full by November 15 for the fall semester and April 15 for the spring semester.
- A one percent per month (12 percent per annum) late payment charge will be assessed on any unpaid balance remaining after the end of each semester.
- An outstanding balance of prior semesters must be paid in full for enrollment in a new semester.
- Accounts must be paid in full before transcripts or diplomas are issued. A candidate for graduation must have no outstanding balance owed to the Seminary in order to participate in the commencement exercises.

Refund Policies

Refund Policy for Semester-based Classes

In the case of a student in a traditional or virtual class withdrawing from a class or the Seminary either voluntarily or by dismissal (except for military service), or changing from Credit to Audit, the following applies:

- During the first seven (7) weeks the Tuition and Comprehensive Fee will be refunded as follows, according to the withdrawal date:
 - during the first week 87.5%
 - during the second week 75.0%
 - during the third week 62.5%
 - during the fourth week 50.0%
 - during the fifth week 37.5%
 - during the sixth week 25.0%
 - during the seventh week 12.5%
- Room and board will be prorated on a weekly basis from the beginning of the semester.
- After the first seven (7) weeks of a semester, the student will be responsible for the entire semester's tuition and fee charges.
- Veterans under Public Law 89-358 will be refunded on a daily prorated basis.

Refund Policy for Online Classes

In the case of a student withdrawing from an online class either voluntarily or by dismissal (except for military service) or changing from Credit to Audit, the following applies:

- During the first three (3) weeks of a class, the Tuition will be refunded as follows, according to the withdrawal date:
 - during the first week 75%
 - during the second week 50%
 - during the third week 25%
- After the third week of a class, the student will be responsible for the entire class's tuition charges.
- The student will owe the complete Comprehensive Fee.
- Veterans under Public Law 89-358 will be refunded on a daily prorated basis.

Refund Policy for Module Classes

In the case of a student withdrawing from a Module class either voluntarily or by dismissal (except for military service) or changing from Credit to Audit, the following applies:

- After the beginning of the class, the tuition will be prorated as follows, according to the withdrawal date:
 - before final day of one-week module
(or DMin one-week intensive module): 100%
 - on or after last day of one-week module
(or DMin one-week intensive module): 50%
- After the beginning of the class, the student will owe the complete Technology Fee.
- Veterans under Public Law 89-358 will be refunded on a daily prorated basis.

Financial Aid

You should apply for financial aid as early as possible, but you cannot receive an official award letter until you have applied and been accepted to Maranatha. Pell Grants and Wisconsin Grants are not available to anyone who has received a bachelor's degree.

The Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) may be completed as soon as you complete your federal tax returns for the previous year. Financial aid must be applied for every year because it is awarded on an annual basis. Check the website for more details: <http://www.mbu.edu/finances/financial-aid>.

Maranatha participates in the Federal Direct Loan Program. These loans are governed by federal laws that dictate most of the loan parameters, including maximum amounts that can be borrowed and interest rates that can be charged. Loans are based on the cost of attendance for the student. A FAFSA must be submitted before any funds are allocated. Federal Direct Loans are low-interest loans for students. Repayment begins six months after the student leaves school, graduates, or drops below half-time enrollment status.

While Seminary students are eligible for student loans, the Seminary encourages you to consider the ramifications of loan repayments on your ministry.

Maintaining Financial Aid

The federal government dictates requirements necessary to receive federal and state financial aid. Some of these include being a U.S. citizen or eligible non-citizen, a high school graduate or recognized equivalent, a regular student enrolled in a degree-granting program, and making satisfactory academic progress. Satisfactory Academic Progress is determined by the following three separate measures which are evaluated at the conclusion of each spring semester:

- Satisfactory GPA – 2.00 GPA (C)
- Successful ratio of completed courses to those attempted (67%)
- Hours attempted may not exceed 150% of the published academic program requirements.

If a student fails to meet the first and/or second standards, he or she will be given a written warning but will still be eligible for financial aid until the standards are checked after the next school year. If a student who has received a warning still fails to meet the standards, the student no longer is considered making satisfactory academic progress and cannot receive any federal or state

financial aid until he or she re-establishes good academic standing. If a student fails to meet the third standard, he or she also is no longer considered to be making satisfactory academic progress, with the same suspension of aid just mentioned. A student may submit a written request asking for a waiver of the standard(s). The request addressed to the Financial Aid Director should explain any extenuating circumstances that may justify a waiver and be submitted to the Financial Aid Office. Examples of justifiable circumstances include an extended illness or injury to the student, or a death in the student's immediate family. The decision of the Financial Aid Office is final.

Military

Maranatha is approved for Veterans Benefits, which include the training of students entitled to benefits under Public Laws 89-358 and 634, Social Security, and Rehabilitation benefits. Students who are entitled to benefits under these laws should apply to their local Department of Veterans Affairs Office for authorization. The Financial Aid Office should also be contacted as soon as the student enrolls in classes.

The Wisconsin National Guard currently offers a partial tuition reimbursement for active members of the Wisconsin Guard. Also, depending how a student signs up, he or she may be eligible for some regular Veterans Benefits.

Student Employment

Maranatha offers on-campus employment for students. Students employed by Maranatha will have sixty percent of their earnings applied directly to their student account balance. A student who works an average of 10 hours per week could possibly earn \$950 to \$1000 per semester. Check the current job openings on the website (www.mbu.edu/employment) and apply early; these jobs fill up fast. Submitting an application for employment does not obligate a student to work for Maranatha, nor does it obligate Maranatha to provide employment to a student.

SEMINARY COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

DOCTOR OF MINISTRY

DMI 800 – RESEARCH AND WRITING

A tuition-free research and writing course which must be taken before your first module. This is an online pass/fail class and can be done at your convenience. Contact the Seminary Office to enroll in this class. (0 credit hours)

DPA 801 – GREAT PREACHERS AND GREAT PREACHING

A study of the great preachers of the past with examples and analysis of their preaching to determine what made them a “great preacher” and what the current preacher can learn from them. (4 credit hours)

DPA 802 – PREACHING OLD TESTAMENT NARRATIVES

A study of the narrative portions of the Old Testament with an emphasis on a dispensational interpretation of the passages and instruction and examples on preaching these passages to a 21st century audience. (4 credit hours)

DPA 803 – PREACHING THE GOSPELS

A study of the Gospels in the New Testament with an emphasis on a dispensational interpretation of the passages and instruction and examples on preaching these passages to a 21st century audience. (4 credit hours)

DPA 804 – EVANGELISM AND CHURCH PLANTING

A study of the work of the gospel in the New Testament, with instruction and examples of preaching and teaching the gospel, growing local churches, challenging churches to discover where the needs are greatest around them, and planting new churches in areas of greatest need. (4 credit hours)

DPA 805 – SMALL GROUP COMMUNICATION AND EVANGELIZATION IN THE LOCAL CHURCH

A study of the current use of small groups in local churches, how to maintain a common message, and ways in which the teaching in small groups aids in evangelization and sanctification. (4 credit hours)

DLE 806 – THEOLOGY OF LEADERSHIP

A theological study of leadership in the Bible, an examination of biblical examples of good leadership, and the application of leadership principles to church and ministry leaders today. (4 credit hours)

DLE 807 – ORGANIZATIONAL LEADERSHIP

The application of the biblical principles of organizational leadership frequently found in the business world to ministry today, with an examination of non-biblical principles which must be rejected. (4 credit hours)

DLE 808 – DEVELOPING LEADERS IN THE LOCAL CHURCH

An examination of discipleship in the New Testament and an application of the biblical teaching of discipleship for the local church today. (4 credit hours)

DLE 810 – BAPTIST POLITY

An examination of the historic view on the function of a Baptist church with special attention given to the Biblical principles underlying those views. Special attention will be given to current trends in Baptist polity. (4 credit hours)

DMI 820 – MINISTRY PROJECT

The student will design and complete a written project that addresses both the nature and the practice of ministry. This final summative project shall be of sufficient quality that it contributes to the practice of ministry as judged by professional standards and is useful for application in the student's ministry. The project shall demonstrate the candidate's ability to identify a specific ministry topic, organize an effective research model, use appropriate resources, and evaluate the results. It should also reflect the candidate's depth of insight in relation to ministry. Upon completion of the ministry project, there shall be an oral presentation and evaluation. The completed written project, with any supplemental material, shall be accessioned in the Maranatha library. (4 credit hours)

MASTERS PROGRAMS

BIBLICAL LANGUAGES

GOT 511, 512 HEBREW GRAMMAR 1, 2

An introductory course in the Hebrew Old Testament, including the study of word forms, sentence structure and basic vocabulary, with some readings in the Old Testament during the second semester. (3 credit hours each semester)

GOT 513 HEBREW READING

A study of the Hebrew Old Testament with special attention given to increasing the student's ability to read prose text. (2 credit hours)
Prerequisite: GOT 511 and GOT 512 Hebrew Grammar or equivalent

GOT 615 HEBREW SYNTAX

A study of the syntactical features of the sentence in Biblical Hebrew. Special attention is given to the function of the Hebrew verb conjugations, the *waw* conjunction, subordinating particles, and block diagramming. Students will also do selected translations. (2 hours credit)
Prerequisite: GOT 511 and GOT 512 Hebrew Grammar or equivalent

GOT 616 HEBREW EXEGESIS

Advanced exegesis of the Hebrew text with attention given to mastery of the syntax, vocabulary, interpretive problems, and practical and homiletical uses. (2 credit hours) Prerequisite: Hebrew Syntax

GOT 701 ARAMAIC

An introduction to the Aramaic language and its relationship to the Hebrew alphabet, grammatical structure, terminology, and vocabulary. All Aramaic passages in the Old Testament will be translated. (2 credit hours)
Prerequisite: Hebrew Syntax

GNT 503, 504 GREEK GRAMMAR 1, 2

An introductory course in New Testament Greek, including the study of word forms, sentence structure, and basic vocabulary, with some readings in the Johannine writings in the second semester. (2 credit hours each semester)

GNT 517 GREEK READING

A study of the Greek New Testament emphasizing extensive reading in selected passages throughout the New Testament. The reading and class discussions are designed to review Greek grammar and vocabulary and to introduce Greek syntax of conjunctions, prepositions, infinitives, and participles. Semantic analysis of Greek readings will also be taught using phrase diagramming. (2 credit hours) Prerequisite: one year of beginning Greek or its equivalent

GNT 518 EXEGETICAL GRAMMAR

A study of the Greek New Testament emphasizing grammatical analysis of selected passages throughout the New Testament. This will be accomplished through an exegetical approach to the syntax of the article, nouns, and verbs. (2 credit hours) Prerequisite: Greek Reading or its equivalent

GNT 519 EXEGETICAL METHOD

A thorough study of the exegetical method used to accurately interpret the text of the Greek New Testament. Emphasis will be placed on producing pedagogical and homiletical outlines that clearly communicate the accurate interpretation of the text. (2 credit hours) Prerequisite: Exegetical Grammar or its equivalent

BIBLICAL STUDIES

GBS 503 BIBLICAL STUDIES SEMINAR

A research seminar dealing with current theological and social trends, problem areas in theology and personal living, and application of previous study to areas of concern. (2 credit hours)

GBS 510 INTRODUCTION TO THE OLD AND NEW TESTAMENTS

This course studies the authorship, date, historical setting, and canonicity of the sixty-six books of the Bible along with a survey of the major modern critical approaches to those issues. Special attention is given to the inerrancy of scripture and to the methodological problems inherent in liberal scholarship's approach to Scripture. (3 credit hours)

GBS 701 THESIS 1

The proposal for a culminative thesis. The student will work with a mentor in the area of study to create a formal proposal for research. (1 credit hour)

GBS 702 THESIS 2

The writing of a thesis in an area of interest under the direction of a resident faculty member. (2 credit hours)

OLD TESTAMENT

GOT 514 BIBLICAL THEOLOGY OF THE OLD TESTAMENT

A study of the progressive development of special revelation in the Old Testament period with an emphasis on its contribution to the central message of the Bible, its main theological subthemes, and its major continuities and discontinuities with New Testament theology. (3 credit hours)

GOT 521 OLD TESTAMENT BACKGROUNDS

A study of the history and literature of the time from Moses to Malachi, with an emphasis on the social and political influences which affected the Jewish and Mid-East worlds and on other background information necessary for a complete understanding of the Old Testament. (3 credit hours)

GOT 525 HOLY LAND TOUR

Maranatha sponsors a tour of the Holy Land to acquaint the student with the actual geography of Israel. Advanced reading and post-trip writing add to the onsite lectures and the experience of being in Israel. (3 credit hours)

GOT 528 EXPOSITION OF PENTATEUCH

A survey of the content of the Pentateuch with an emphasis on the historical/cultural setting and its interpretational problems. The course will also introduce the student to the narrative genre and its interpretive requirements. (3 credit hours)

GOT 532 EXPOSITION OF DANIEL

A study of the book of Daniel with an emphasis on its interpretation as prophetic literature. (2 credit hours)

GOT 534 EXPOSITION OF THE MAJOR PROPHETS

A study of the structure and content of the Major Prophets: of Isaiah, Jeremiah, and Ezekiel, with special attention given to the Messianic and prophetic sections. (3 credit hours)

GOT 535 EXPOSITION OF THE MINOR PROPHETS

A study of the structure and content of the Minor Prophets, with an emphasis on the prophetic themes of each book. The course will also introduce the student to the prophetic genre and its interpretive requirements. (3 credit hours)

GOT 539 EXPOSITION OF EZRA, NEHEMIAH, AND ESTER

A study of the structure and content of Ezra, Nehemiah, and Esther in light of the historical setting of each book with an emphasis on the providential care of the Lord for His people, the post exile restoration, and the leadership principles demonstrated by Israel's rulers. (3 credit hours)

GOT 540 EXPOSITION OF JOB

A study of the structure and contents of the book of Job with an emphasis on the issues of revelation and faith in the patriarchal period and the theological crisis caused by traumatic life events coupled with poor counsel. (3 credit hours)

GOT 541 EXPOSITION OF PSALMS

A study of the structure of the various types of Hebrew poetry, the contents of representative poetic sections of the Old Testament, and the impact of Hebrew poetry in the life of the believer today, with an emphasis on the book of Psalms. (3 credit hours)

GOT 543 EXPOSITION OF PROVERBS

A study of Old Testament wisdom literature with a focus on the book of Proverbs by studying the book's cultural, historical, and literary settings, examining its structure and purpose, and relating its prominent theme of wisdom to the whole of life. (2 credit hours)

GOT 711 EXEGESIS AND EXPOSITION OF 1 & 2 SAMUEL

An exegetical and biographical study of the books of Samuel, emphasizing the positive and the negative values of the characters involved. This course also includes instruction in the interpretation and preaching of Bible biography. (3 credit hours) Course Prerequisite: GOT 616 Hebrew Exegesis

GOT 712 EXEGESIS AND EXPOSITION OF POETRY—PSALMS

A study of exegetical methods for Psalms giving special emphasis to poetic structure and content of the various types of Psalms, and their role in the life of the believer today. (3 hours credit) Course Prerequisite: GOT 616 Hebrew Exegesis

GOT 720 MESSIANIC PROPHECY

An examination of the Messianic prophecies in light of the chronology of God's progressive revelation. This course includes the exegesis of key Old Testament passages and the examination of the New Testament fulfillment of these prophecies. (3 credit hours)

GOT 780 OLD TESTAMENT SEMINAR

Old Testament topics of practical and theological significance are examined and investigated. Students are encouraged to select topics of interest to them for inclusion in this course. (3 credit hours)

GOT 790 OLD TESTAMENT INTRODUCTION

An examination of the history of Old Testament criticism with special attention given to authenticity and inerrancy of the Biblical texts, the methodological and factual errors in critical scholarship, and the interaction of evangelicalism with liberal scholarship. This course is designed for the student planning to pursue doctoral education. (3 credit hours) Prerequisite: GBS 510 Introduction to the Old and New Testaments

NEW TESTAMENT**GNT 515 BIBLICAL THEOLOGY OF THE NEW TESTAMENT**

A study of the progressive development of special revelation in the New Testament period, with an emphasis on the form and content of that revelation. (3 credit hours)

GNT 520 NEW TESTAMENT BACKGROUNDS

A study of the history and literature of the time from Malachi to the birth of Christ, with an emphasis on the social and political influences which affected the Roman and Jewish worlds and on other background information necessary for a complete understanding of the New Testament. (3 credit hours)

GNT 529 EXPOSITION OF THE GOSPELS

A biblical and theological study of the Gospels, emphasizing the themes, structures, and contents of these books, with a special emphasis on one of the Gospels. (3 credit hours)

GNT 530 EXPOSITION OF THE PASTORAL EPISTLES

An expository and exegetical study of Paul's letters to Timothy and Titus, with special attention given to the instructions Paul gave for the pastoral ministry. (3 credit hours)

GNT 532 EXPOSITION OF FIRST CORINTHIANS

An expository and exegetical study of Paul's first letter to the church at Corinth, with special attention given to the solution of the problems within the church and the application of those solutions to the problems within today's church. (3 credit hours)

GNT 533 EXPOSITION OF GALATIANS

An expository and exegetical study of Galatians, with special attention given to the true gospel, law and grace, and the role of the Holy Spirit in the Christian life. (3 credit hours)

GNT 534 EXPOSITION OF HEBREWS

An expository and exegetical study of the book of Hebrews, with special attention given to both the warning passages and the new covenant sections. (3 credit hours)

GNT 540 EXPOSITION OF ACTS

An expository study of Acts, with special attention given to the beginning, growth, and spread of the church to the ends of the earth. (3 credit hours)

GNT 556 EXPOSITION OF REVELATION

An exposition of the book of Revelation. Attention is given both to matters of special introduction and to an analysis of the book. (3 credit hours)

GNT 632 EXEGESIS AND EXPOSITION OF THE GENERAL EPISTLES

Advanced exegesis of the Greek text of the General Epistles with attention given to mastery of the syntax, vocabulary, interpretive problems, and practical and homiletical value of each book. (3 credit hours)

GNT 642 EXEGESIS AND EXPOSITION OF PAUL'S EPISTLES

Advanced exegesis of the Greek text of Paul's Epistles with attention given to mastery of the syntax, vocabulary, interpretive problems, and practical and homiletical value of each book. (3 credit hours)

GNT 737 EXEGESIS AND EXPOSITION OF ROMANS

An exegetical study of Romans, concentrating on both the background, interpretation, and theology of this important New Testament book. (3 credit hours)

GNT 742 EXEGESIS AND EXPOSITION OF PRISON EPISTLES

An exegetical study of Ephesians, Philippians, Colossians, and Philemon, with emphasis on doctrinal themes together with application to Christian living. (3 credit hours)

GNT 780 NEW TESTAMENT SEMINAR

New Testament topics of practical and theological significance are examined and investigated. Students are encouraged to select topics of interest to them for inclusion in this course. (3 credit hours)

SYSTEMATIC THEOLOGY

GST 510 SYSTEMATIC THEOLOGY PROLEGOMENA

An introduction to the discipline of Systematic Theology and to theological research and writing. (1 credit hour)

GST 520 DISPENSATIONALISM AND DISPENSATIONAL HERMENEUTICS

A study of the dispensations and covenants, the relationship between law and grace, and dispensationalism as a hermeneutical method. The course includes a study of the history, theory, and practical use of grammatical-historical interpretation. (3 credit hours)

GST 530 APOLOGETICS AND WORLDVIEWS

A study of the defense and validity of the Christian theistic world view, including its biblical base, and an evaluation of and appropriate responses to major arguments set forth by opponents to Christianity. (3 credit hours)

GST 600 THEOLOGICAL SYSTEMS

An analysis of the various theological systems in America, beginning with early Puritanism and continuing to the current era, with a special emphasis on current theological trends. (3 credit hours)

GST 605 LOGIC FOR THEOLOGY

A study of the elements of effective thinking designed to enable students to accurately evaluate the soundness of written and spoken theological assertions (both their own and others'), including a discussion of the logical fallacies that render an argument invalid. (3 credit hours)

GST 611 SYSTEMATIC THEOLOGY 1

A systematic study of the doctrines of Bibliology and Theology Proper in the Old and New Testaments. (2 credit hours)

GST 612 SYSTEMATIC THEOLOGY 2

A systematic study of the doctrines of Christology and Pneumatology in the Old and New Testaments. (3 credit hours)

GST 613 SYSTEMATIC THEOLOGY 3

A systematic study of the doctrines of Anthropology, Hamartiology and Soteriology in the Old and New Testaments. (3 credit hours)

GST 614 SYSTEMATIC THEOLOGY 4

A systematic study of the doctrines of Eschatology, Angelology and Ecclesiology in the Old and New Testaments. (3 credit hours)

GST 620 CONTEMPORARY THEOLOGY

An analysis of various current issues in theology with an emphasis on those theological trends which most affect Fundamentalism and Evangelicalism. (3 credit hours)

GST 630 THEOLOGY OF HOLINESS

A study of holiness in the Old and New Testaments. This course will examine the biblical words for holiness and their meanings. It will seek to develop a thorough theology of God's holiness and the application of His holiness to the lives and service of believers and to the ministry of New Testament churches. (3 credit hours)

GST 710 THEOLOGY OF THE KINGDOM

A biblical theology of the kingdom, with special emphasis on the role which kingdom theology plays in Progressive Dispensationalism and in more traditional dispensational thought. (3 credit hours)

GST 720 REFORMATION THEOLOGY

A study of the theological positions of the major segments of the Reformation, along with an examination of their arguments and antagonists. (3 credit hours)

GST 721 HISTORY OF BAPTIST THEOLOGY

A study of the origin, theological development, and historical traditions of the Anabaptists and English and American Baptists as the setting for an outline of the historical basis for the Baptist distinctives and other major contributions to theology, including a survey of major Baptist theologians and traditional theological statements. (3 credit hours)

GST 780 GRADUATE SEMINAR IN THEOLOGY

Current theological topics are examined and investigated. Students are encouraged to select topics of interest to them for inclusion in this course. (3 credit hours)

HISTORICAL THEOLOGY

GHI 515 AMERICAN FUNDAMENTALISM AND EVANGELICALISM

A study of the history of fundamentalism, with special attention given to its reactions to modernism, neo-orthodoxy, and new evangelicalism. The course is designed to give the student a base for examining new movements in the light of scriptural truth. (3 credit hours)

GHI 548 HISTORY OF BAPTIST MISSIONS

A survey of the history of the geographical expansion of Christianity. The course will focus on the last two centuries of Protestant missions, with special attention given to Baptist missionaries and mission agencies. (3 credit hours)

GHI 608 BAPTIST HISTORY

A survey of New Testament Christianity from the time of the Apostles to the present. This includes the development of New Testament forms of Christianity with a special treatment of the Anabaptist and the modern Baptist movements. (3 credit hours)

GHI 628 HISTORY OF CHRISTIANITY

A study of the history of Christendom from the second century to the present. This includes the Roman Catholic movement and its various institutions and Protestantism from the Reformation to the present, including its various manifestations. (3 credit hours)

GHI 721 HISTORY OF BAPTIST THEOLOGY

A study of the origin, theological development, and historical traditions of the Anabaptists and English and American Baptists as the setting for an outline of the historical basis for the Baptist distinctives and other major contributions to theology, including a survey of major Baptist theologians and traditional theological statements. (3 credit hours)

GHI 780 GRADUATE SEMINAR IN HISTORY

Current topics relative to the study of church history and especially Baptist history are examined and investigated. Students are encouraged to select topics of interest to them for inclusion in this course. (3 credit hours)

PASTORAL THEOLOGY

GPA 511 CHURCH ADMINISTRATION

A careful consideration of management styles and theories with special application to pastoral administration of the people, programs and policies of the local church. Church calendar management, church litigation issues, and matters of pastoral delegation will be analyzed and discussed. (2 credit hours)

GPA 521 INTRODUCTION TO PREACHING

An introductory study of the preaching, including a discussion of the strengths and weaknesses of expository, topical, and textual preaching. This course includes instruction on the process for the preacher to move from the text to the sermon. Students who have had an adequate undergraduate homiletics class may not take this course. (2 credit hours)

GPA 522 EXPOSITORY PREACHING OF THE OLD TESTAMENT

A practical study of the relationship between hermeneutics and homiletics and the various ways to preach from the Old Testament, with a focus on expository preaching. (2 credit hours) Prerequisite: GPA 521 Introduction to Preaching or its equivalent

GPA 523 EXPOSITORY PREACHING OF THE NEW TESTAMENT

A practical study of the relationship between hermeneutics and homiletics and the various ways to preach from the New Testament, with a focus on expository preaching. (2 credit hours) Prerequisite: GPA 521 Introduction to Preaching or its equivalent

GPA 524 PRINCIPLES OF BIBLE STUDY AND TEACHING

A theoretical and practical study of a variety of Bible study methods applicable for both personal study and teaching. (3 hours credit)

GPA 530 PHILOSOPHY OF MINISTRY

A course designed to examine the Biblical philosophy of the pastor, his office, role, relationships, and ministry within the local church. (2 credit hours)

GPA 531 CHURCH PLANTING

An introduction to the ministry of church planting with an emphasis on equipping students with the principles and strategies needed for starting and developing Gospel-centered churches and the development of a biblical vision for a new ministry. (2 credit hours)

GPA 535 ADVANCED SMALL GROUPS

An in-depth study of the scriptural use of small groups in the church for the purpose of fellowship, discipleship, and evangelism. (2 credit hours)

GPA 610 BUILDING A DISCIPLE-MAKING MINISTRY

An examination of the process of disciple making in the local church ministry. Special focus will be given to the development of a philosophy of discipleship involving both pastor and people. Both the process and the product of disciple making will be considered from a biblical and practical perspective. Innovative ideas for discipleship ministries from early childhood to late adulthood will be considered. (2 credit hours)

GPA 612 PASTORAL ETHICS

The ministry and the minister considered as a profession. Special emphasis will be given to pastoral conduct related to the pastor's personal life, moral choices, associations, and practices as they apply to colleagues, community and congregation. (2 credit hours)

GPA 614 BAPTIST POLITY

A study of the function of a Baptist church from a Biblical and historical perspective, with special attention given to current trends in Baptist polity. (2 credit hours)

GPA 615 THEOLOGY OF PRAYER AND WORSHIP

An examination of the biblical teaching on prayer and worship for the New Testament church, with application to the current state of the church. (2 credit hours)

GPA 618 BUILDING A CHURCH MISSIONS PROGRAM

An introduction to developing a church missions policy with attention given to the contemporary issues of missions, the funding of missions, and the church's involvement with the missionaries it supports and their mission boards. The ethical issues concerning the dismissal of a missionary will be examined. (2 credit hours)

GPA 650 ADVANCED BIO-ETHICS

The purpose of this course is to examine a subsection of ethics that focuses on issues involving medical care and biotechnology from a biblical absolutist perspective (normative ethics). Areas of discussion include reproduction and birth, death, genetics, healthcare, and the role of the physician. The ethical issues that accompany these areas are significant and require careful examination. As a result terms such as *person, life and death, fairness, consciousness, and dignity* will be discussed from both contemporary and biblical perspectives (metaethics). (2 credit hours)

GPA 715 THEOLOGY OF CHURCH LEADERSHIP

An examination of the biblical teaching concerning leadership, with an application of that theology to the local church, the mission field and other areas of spiritual leadership. (2 credit hours)

GPA 717 DISCIPLESHIP AND MENTORING

A course designed to examine the biblical foundations and practices associated with discipleship and mentoring within a local church. (2 credit hours)

GPA 720 LOCAL CHURCH AND THE LAW

A survey of the complex legal and organizational issues confronting churches in modern America. Students will develop an understanding of the role and relationship of the church in American law and a practical understanding of risk management, financial administration, and employment law that attend the pastor's role as CEO of the local church organization. (2 credit hours)

GPA721 THE PASTOR AND THE LAW

A survey of the complex legal and organizational issues confronting pastors and other church leaders in modern America. Students will develop an understanding of the role and relationship of the pastor in American law and a practical understanding of risk management, financial administration, and employment law that attend the pastor's role as CEO of the local church organization. (2 credit hours)

GPA 780 SEMINAR IN PREACHING

Current topics in homiletics are examined and investigated. Students are encouraged to select topics of interest to them for inclusion in this course. (2 credit hours)

BIBLICAL COUNSELING

GBC 501 THEOLOGY AND PRACTICE OF PASTORAL COUNSELING

An introduction to the role of the pastor in church counseling. The course includes basic instruction in grief counseling, marriage and family counseling, financial counseling, and other areas of counseling common to the pastorate. (2 credit hours)

GBC 503 METHODS OF BIBLICAL CHANGE

This course provides a survey of foundational counseling principles, a study of the doctrine of sanctification, and an overview of the counseling process including a comprehensive methodological model for promoting biblical change in people. The goal of this course is to encourage biblical thinking and procedures in the process of helping people grow into Christlikeness. (2 credit hours)

GBC 513 COUNSELING PROBLEMS AND PROCEDURES

This course applies counseling principles in general areas of concern such as depression, worry, fear, conflict, stress, assurance, God's will, dedication, and others. The class will include advanced procedures for gathering data, homework generation, application of biblical counsel, and assessment. Prerequisite: GBC 503 Methods of Biblical Change or its equivalent (2 credit hours)

GBC 535 CRISIS COUNSELING

An in-depth analysis of counseling for crisis situations including suicide, sudden death, loss, grief, trauma, divorce, and transitions in life. Special attention will be given to the dynamics of a crisis, biblical principles regarding a crisis, and the process for crisis intervention. Prerequisite: GBC 503 Methods of Biblical Change or equivalent (2 credit hours)

GBC 537 MARRIAGE AND FAMILY COUNSELING

Issues surrounding pre-marital and post-marital counseling will be addressed from a biblical perspective. Issues will include finances, parenting, in-laws, sexual difficulties, conflict, and communication. Prerequisite: GBC 531 Methods of Biblical Change or equivalent (2 credit hours)

GBC 540 COUNSELING ADDICTIVE BEHAVIOR

A survey of various chemical and behavioral addictions, including, but not limited to, alcohol, illicit drugs, eating disorders, and sexual addictions. Students will participate in the evaluation of various causal and treatment models, focusing upon biblical paradigms for spiritual restoration. Prerequisite: GBC 531 Methods of Biblical Change or equivalent (2 credit hours)

GBC 550 PROVERBS AND COUNSELING

A study of Old Testament wisdom literature, particularly Proverbs, with the goal of improving the student's ability to apply its truths to the lives of people through the ministry of biblical counseling. Prerequisite: GBC 531 Methods of Biblical Change or equivalent (2 credit hours)

GBC 560 COUNSELING SURVIVORS OF ABUSE

Society is overwhelmed by abusive behavior, even among Christian communities. This includes physical, emotional, and sexual abuse. Abuse is as old as fallen man, but the scriptures provide a robust theology for counseling this difficult problem. This course will examine definitions, types of abuse, symptoms, a theology of abuse and recovery, and biblical strategies for assisting the survivor. This course pays special attention to providing a counseling framework for the counselor. Prerequisite: GBC 531 Methods of Biblical Change or equivalent (2 credit hours)

GBC 580 BIBLICAL COUNSELING SEMINAR

An examination of a variety of issues that counseling students will face in ministry. This seminar usually takes place for one week off campus. The Seminary does not charge tuition for this class, but there is a \$25 recording fee. Prerequisite: GBC 531 Methods of Biblical Change or equivalent (2 credit hours)

GBC 582 BIBLICAL COUNSELING PRACTICUM

An approved, practical project done in the last semester of the student's residence, designed around the career choice of the student. This is implemented under the supervision of an experienced veteran in the field. (2 credit hours)

INTER-CULTURAL STUDIES

GCC 502 THEOLOGICAL ISSUES IN MISSIONS

An analysis of the theological issues facing missionaries, together with an analysis of biblical solutions. Special consideration will be given to the uniqueness of Jesus Christ in a pluralistic world, the eternal destiny of the heathen, biblical absolutism and cultural. (3 credit hours)

GCC 504 CHURCH PLANTING

A survey and analysis of the strengths and weaknesses of church planting models and strategies around the world with emphasis on user-friendly multiplication strategies for the national church. (2 credit hours)

GCC 509 LINGUISTICS

An introduction to the study of language acquisition – how individuals learn a language. It includes topics such as phonology, morphology, syntax and semantics. (3 credit hours)

GCC 510 ADVANCED LINGUISTICS

An advanced study of language acquisition – how individuals learn a language. It includes topics such as phonology, morphology, syntax and semantics. (3 credit hours)

GCC 520 INTER-CULTURAL COMMUNICATION¹

A study of the values, customs, mores and communication styles of cultural groups, with the goal of interpreting the communicative behavior of students and explaining how conversational behavior differs from culture to culture. (3 credit hours)

GCC 521 INTER-CULTURAL ANTHROPOLOGY¹

An examination of the origins, history, and development of human culture, especially its social forms and institutions. (3 credit hours)

GCC 531 THEOLOGY OF URBAN MINISTRY

This course examines a theology of the city and develops an apologetic for urban ministries. It also studies world demographics to help understand the impact of the city on the world's population. This course is taken while on a four-month internship in an urban ministry. (3 credit hours)

¹ This course is waived if the student has taken a similar undergraduate course.

GCC 532 THE CHRISTIAN AND THE CITY

This course examines the history of the city and extrapolates the future of the city. It also explains how a Christian can evangelize the large city. This course is taken while on a four-month internship in an urban ministry. (3 credit hours)

GCC 533 DISCIPLESHIP IN THE CITY

This course discusses the approaches to discipling urban citizens. It also examines the networking and support necessary for a successful urban ministry. This course is taken while on a four-month internship in an urban ministry. (3 credit hours)

GCC 540 READINGS IN INTERNATIONAL STUDIES

This course consists of guided readings in the culture of the specific location of a student's inter-cultural internship. Students may choose from a focus in Latin, African, Western European, Eastern European, Asian, and Middle Eastern cultures. (3 credit hours)

GCC 541 FIELD METHODS AND CULTURAL ENGAGEMENT

A seminar course in which the student develops, evaluates, and applies principles of engagement with the ethnography, linguistics, inter-cultural communication, and ministry development on an international setting. (3 credit hours)

GCC 570 INTER-CULTURAL INTERNSHIP

This capstone internship requires students to participate for a minimum of twelve weeks in an international location for the purpose of developing cultural competence in various settings. (2 credit hours)

GCC 571 URBAN INTERNSHIP

An approved, practical project done in the student's last year of study, implemented under the supervision of an approved urban church planter. (2 credit hours)

GCC 590 SEMINAR IN INTER-CULTURAL STUDIES

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