Master of Divinity Degree Requirements—90 Credits

Global University’s Master of Divinity degree program requires students to complete 90 credits of 3-credit courses. Students may choose to complete a 6-credit thesis in lieu of two 3-credit elective courses in a specific or general elective category. The thesis is strongly recommended for students who have not written a thesis as part of a Master of Arts degree program. Core courses should be taken prior to other required courses. Course options are listed for each content category. See course descriptions for additional choices for general electives. Courses that are not currently available include the notation: “Publication date to be announced.” Master of Divinity degree requirements follow.

Master of Divinity 1—90 Credits

Biblical Studies—39 credits:

**Bible Courses: New Testament—9 credits**
- BNT 5183  Acts as History and Theology 3
- BNT 5573  Graduate Greek I and
- BNT 5583  Graduate Greek II or
  - Two New Testament courses * and ** 6

(* A student who receives waiver for 6 undergraduate credits of Greek biblical language should complete two additional graduate-level New Testament courses or BNT 6926 Thesis: New Testament Studies.)

(** Elective New Testament course options [subject to additional options as courses become available**]: BIB 5033, BNT 5053, BNT 5093, BNT 5103, BNT 6203, BNT 6303, BNT 6926, BNT 7053**, BNT 7093**, BNT 7103, BNT 7503**, EDU 5043, THE 6103**.)

**Bible Courses: Biblical Language 2—9 credits 3** *
- BNT 6673  Intermediate Greek and 3
  - Any two Greek exegesis courses ** or
  - Intermediate Greek and/or
    - Transfer a maximum of 9 graduate credits (3 courses) in Hebrew exegesis from an accredited institution. 6

(* Fifteen credits of biblical language are required for the Master of Divinity degree. See footnotes 2 and 3 at the end of the requirements for this degree plan for additional information regarding biblical language requirements and how they may be met.)

(** Elective Greek exegesis course options [subject to additional options as courses become available**]: BNT 6683**, BNT 7053**, BNT 7093**, BNT 7103, BNT 7503**.)

**Bible Courses: Old Testament—12 credits**
- BIB 6293  Hermeneutics: God’s Message and Its Meaning and 3
  - Three additional Bible Old Testament courses * 9

(* Elective Old Testament course options [subject to additional options as courses become available**]: BIB 5033, BOT 5113, BOT 5143, BOT 5153, BOT 5173, BOT 5333**, BOT 6233, BNT 6926, EDU 5043, THE 6023**, THE 6093**.)

(NOTE: Hebrew exegesis courses that have been completed at the graduate level at an accredited institution may be used to fulfill biblical language and Old Testament requirements. Also see section on “Transfer of Credit from Other Institutions.”)

**Theology Courses—9 credits**
- BNT 6043  Exposition of Pneumatology in Lucan Literature and 3
  - Two additional courses from the Theology division * 6


Ministerial Studies—30 credits:

**Education Courses—6 credits**
- EDU 6203  Educational Psychology and 3
  - One additional course from the Education division * 3

(* Elective Education course options [subject to additional options as courses become available**]: EDU 5023, EDU 5043, EDU 5053, EDU 5063, EDU 6073.)

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Leadership Courses—6 credits

LDR 5013 ¹  Foundations for Christian Leadership and
One additional course from the Leadership division ³

(¹ Elective Leadership course options [subject to additional options as courses become available*]: EDU 5053, LDR 5023,
LDR 5043, LDR 5053, LDR 5063, LDR 6033, MIN 5273, MIN 6233, MIS 5033, MIS 6023.

Ministries Courses—12 credits

MIN 5013 ¹  Practicum and
Three additional courses from the Ministries division ³

(¹ Elective Ministries course options [subject to additional options as courses become available*]: LDR 5043, LDR 6033,
MIN 5013, MIN 5023**, MIN 5023, MIN 5273, MIN 6233, MIN 6503**, MIN 6926, MIS 5093, MIS 5103, MIS 6023, MIS 6073.

Missions Courses—6 credits

MIS 5013 ¹  The Biblical Theology of Missions and
One additional course from the Missions division ³

(¹ Elective Missions course options [subject to additional options as courses become available*]: LDR 5043, LDR 5053,
MIN 5273, MIS 5033, MIS 5093, MIS 5103, MIS 6023, MIS 6043, MIS 6073, THE 5013.

General Education—9 credits:

History Course—3 credits

BIB 5013  Historical Approach to Hermeneutics or
MIS 6043  History of the Expansion of Christianity

Research Courses—6 credits ⁵

RES 5023 ¹  Graduate Research and Writing: Principles and Practice
RES 6913  Research Methodology

General Electives—12 credits:

General Elective Courses—12 credits  *

RES 6926 ² and ³  Thesis and
Any two courses from any division or
Any four courses from any division

(¹ See course descriptions for available courses.)

Theology of Ministry Paper (required if a thesis is not completed for Master of Divinity degree)—No credits

Total Credits 90

¹ Core courses for a Master of Divinity degree should be completed before enrolling in other courses. A student's first core course enrollment should be RES 5023, followed by other core courses (recommended sequence: MIS 5013, LDR 5013, BNT 6293, BNT 6043).

² Fifteen credits of biblical language are required for all Master of Divinity degrees. Greek language courses completed at the undergraduate level may be used to waive up to 6 credits (BNT 5573 and BNT 5583). However, credits completed at the undergraduate level will not reduce the number of graduate credits required for a Master of Divinity degree. Courses considered for waiver must be completed at an accredited institution according to policies stated in the sections on "Transfer of Credit from Other Institutions," "Biblical Language Waiver Based on Undergraduate Credit," and "Biblical Language Requirements."

³ Biblical language requirements that exceed the credits indicated in "Language Courses" under "Biblical Studies" may be applied to the respective New Testament or Old Testament requirements for the Biblical Studies division of the Master of Divinity degree plan or as general elective credits.

⁴ A student may complete only one practicum for any graduate degree program. Practicum options include: BIB 6903, BNT 6903, BOT 6903, EDU 6903, LDR 6903, MIN 6903, MIS 6903, RES 6903, and THE 6903. A student must be within 12 credits of completing all other course work for the respective degree before enrolling in a practicum.

⁵ Six additional credits may be earned for research by writing a thesis for general or division-specific elective credit. RES 6913 must be completed before a student enrolls in a thesis.

⁶ Students who have not written a thesis as part of a Master of Arts degree program are strongly encouraged to write a 6-credit thesis in lieu of two general elective or two division-specific elective courses. A student who has completed a thesis as part of a Master of Arts degree program and is admitted to the Master of Divinity degree program may write another thesis in a different content area as part of the Master of Divinity degree requirements. A student may complete only one thesis for any graduate degree program. Thesis options include: BIB 6926, BNT 6926, BOT 6926, EDU 6926, LDR 6926, MIN 6926, MIS 6926, RES 6926, and THE 6926. RES 6913 must be completed before a student enrolls in a thesis.