



### MTS/MAPT Degree Audit Overview

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Start Term: \_\_\_\_\_ Pronouns: \_\_\_\_\_

Faculty Advisor: \_\_\_\_\_

MTS Concentration: \_\_\_\_\_

Primary Denomination: \_\_\_\_\_

Primary Congregation: \_\_\_\_\_

Cumulative GPA: \_\_\_\_\_ Graduation: \_\_\_\_\_

The MTS requires completion of a minimum of 57 credit hours with a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.50.

	Course Code	Course Title	Earned	Pending	Remaining	Notes
Core	ES101	Orientation for New Students			0	
	ES570	Practicing Ecotheology			3	
	SR600	Methods in the Study of Religion			3	
Methods	CH600	Global Christian History			3	
	PT625	Engaging the Bible in Community and Culture			3	
	PC520	Practices for Healing, Resilience, and Flourishing			3	
*Elective Courses	LS680	Transformational Leadership by Design -OR-			3	
	HM630	Community Organizing and Preaching				
	Concentration Elec.	Selected in consultation with MTS director/advisor			3	
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Integration	ES600	Mid-Program Review			1	
	CC604	Cross-Cultural Immersion			3	
	ES700	Capstone			2	
	TH810	Research for Theological Studies			2	
	TH800/TH805	Thesis / Examination			3	
			0	0	56	56
			Earned	Pending	Remaining	Required (56)

\*MTS students must focus in their electives whatever the prerequisites courses are for their area of concentration (whether Bible, theology, ethics, etc.). For example, if a student wanted to concentrate in Ethics, they would need to take CE7## Ethics of Sex and/or CE562 Imagining Justice as pre-requisites before they would be eligible to take more advanced CE courses. Students who are have already earned an M.Div. or who are concurrently pursuing th M.Div. would have more advanced course options available to them.

### **Master of Theological Studies (MTS) Mission and Goals**

The MTS provides a broad foundation in Bible, Church History, Theology, Ethics, and Interreligious Contexts. Students pursuing this degree will gain skills for participating intelligently in public discourse about religious issues and in some fields may be prepared for further study in an advanced degree. Beyond the introductory levels of these disciplines, MTS students are required to concentrate in one field and achieve sufficient depth to be able to do the following:

1. Read the literature of the discipline with understanding.
2. Intelligently discuss the major topics of that discipline.
3. Conduct relevant research in this discipline for competent nonprofessional writing and teaching.
4. Engage in creative and critical reflection on the contemporary world from the perspective of this discipline.

MTS students must declare an area of concentration after completing 9 credit hours in the program.

Students may concentrate in a traditional discipline in theological studies or an interdisciplinary field of study formulated by the student in consultation with their advisor. Proposed areas of concentrations must be approved by the student's advisor and the MTS degree director. Students may change their area of concentration at any time but cannot graduate until all requirements of the degree have been completed. MTS concentrations comprise 12 credit hours at the 600- or 700-level in the selected area of study and a pertinent Thesis or Concentration Examination. **Since many upper-level courses have introductory-level prerequisites, students should ensure that electives taken in their first year include any introductory courses in their area of concentration.**

Students who concentrate in interdisciplinary fields of study must outline in writing how each course contributes to their concentration; the MTS director must affirm that the selected courses constitute a coherent field of study.

### **Master of Arts in Public Theology (MAPT) Mission and Goals**

Faith communities are in need of ethical religious educators who honor the past, are curious about the present and envision creative, sustainable futures. By nurturing personal and public liberating faith, the Master of Arts in Public Theology (MAPT) equips persons to provide leadership for the formation and transformation of individuals and communities. Public theology is a purposeful effort to place one's faith in the public square and make room for others to join. It is concerned with social justice and engages theology and contemporary issues at the intersection of the church, academia, and civil society. Public Theology is performative and dynamic; it dwells in dialogue and does not shy away from critique. This degree will deepen the knowledge and skills of those working to build societal peace, justice, and the common good. The MAPT offers formation for the next generation of practical, public theologians by cultivating abilities for negotiating the dynamic interplay in these areas: Christian heritage, congregational culture and contemporary society; theological, educational and social-science disciplines; and the diversities of human and creaturely existence.

1. Promote Faith in the Public Square: Graduates will foster inclusive spaces that welcome diverse perspectives and voices and champion an open and enriching dialogue.
2. Facilitate Interactions in Diverse Faith Communities: Graduates will possess the skills to foster positive interactions among individuals from diverse backgrounds within faith communities to promote a Christian