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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	PT570	Practicing Eco-Theology			3	
	CH510	Global Christian History			3	
	SR600	Methods in the Study of Religion			3	
Methods	PT515	Engaging the Bible in Community and Culture			3	
	PC520	Practices for Healing, Resilience, and Flourishing			3	
	LS680 HM730	Transformational Leadership by Design -OR- Community Organizing and Preaching			3	
*Elective Courses	Elective	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	
	TH800/TH810	Thesis / Examination			3	
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			Earned	Pending	Remaining	Required (57)

*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.

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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.

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 faith that not only liberates and uplifts but also serves as a unifying force.
3. Address Social Justice: The MAPT recognizes the imperative of social justice and equips students to engage with pressing contemporary issues. Graduates will be able to critically analyze and respond to issues at the intersection of the church, academia, and civil society.

Faculty Advising and Degree Audits

The relationship between student and faculty advisor is considered central to the educational experience at MTSO. Faculty advisors are responsible for assisting students with developing a plan of study, selecting courses, and identifying resources for further consultation. Academic Affairs is responsible for providing students and advisors with annual degree audits. Students are responsible for ensuring that their specific academic, vocational, and denominational requirements are satisfied. MTSO is not responsible for calling attention to deficiencies in a student's plan of study unless those deficiencies are the basis for disciplinary action.