

LIBERTY

UNIVERSITY™

The Graduate School

Master of Arts in Philosophical Studies

2011-2012 Degree Completion Plan

All course selections in this program must be pre-approved by the Program Director and by the Academic Dean of the department of philosophy.

	<u>Hrs</u>	<u>Semester</u>	<u>Grade</u>	<u>Approved</u>
FOUNDATIONAL COURSES (9 hours)				
<u>Choose one:</u>	3	_____	_____	_____
NBST 500	New Testament World			
NBST 521	New Testament Orientation I			
NBST 522	New Testament Orientation II			
NBST 525	New Testament Introduction			
NBST 652	Hermeneutics			
OBST 590	Old Testament Introduction			
OBST 591	Old Testament Orientation I			
OBST 592	Old Testament Orientation			
<u>Choose one:</u>	3	_____	_____	_____
THEO 503	Modern Contemporary Christian Thought			
CHHI 662	Historical Development of Christian Theology			
<u>Choose one:</u>	3	_____	_____	_____
APOL 500	Introduction to Apologetics			
PHIL 550	Introduction to Philosophy of Religion			
PHIL 625	Religious Epistemology			
MASTER OF ARTS IN PHILOSOPHICAL STUDIES CORE (21 hours)				
_____	_____	3	_____	_____
_____	_____	3	_____	_____
_____	_____	3	_____	_____
_____	_____	3	_____	_____
_____	_____	3	_____	_____
_____	_____	3	_____	_____
_____	_____	3	_____	_____
_____	_____	3	_____	_____
RESEARCH & THESIS PRACTICUM (6 hours)				
THEO 680 ¹	Research Methods	3	_____	_____
THEO 690	Thesis Defense	3	_____	_____
TOTAL HOURS		36		

Graduation Requirements

36 total semester hours

Complete 30 hours through LU

3.0 GPA

No more than two (2) grades of C may be applied to the degree

No grade of D may be applied to the degree

Proficiency in one foreign language for research. Proficiency demonstrated by the successful completion of 12 credit hours at the undergraduate level or 9 at the graduate level with an overall average of *B*, by a passing grade on a translation test, or by other documentation acceptable to the Director of Graduate Studies Successful completion of comprehensive examination in area of specialization

Thesis required (minimum grade of B)

Degree must be completed within 5 years

Students will be required to pass the graduate writing assessment or complete GRST 500.

Submit Graduation Application at the beginning of the final semester

Note

¹Any student who is not ready for enrollment in THEO 690 after completing THEO 680 may be required, as determined by the student's thesis chair, to take THEO 689 Thesis Proposal and Research, and may be required to repeat THEO 689 until deemed ready for enrollment in THEO 690.

Program Currently Offered in Resident Format Only

Revised: 01.05.12

Effective: Catalog Term 2011-40

SUGGESTED COURSE SEQUENCE

First Semester

Elective ¹	3
THEO 503 or CHHI 662	3
NBST 500, 521, 522, 525, 652	
OBST 590, 591 or 592	<u>3</u>
Total	9

Second Semester

Elective ¹	3
Elective ¹	3
THEO 680	<u>3</u>
Total	9

Third Semester

Elective ¹	3
Elective ¹	3
APOL 500, PHIL 550 or PHIL 625	<u>3</u>
Total	9

Fourth Semester

Elective ¹	3
Elective ¹	3
THEO 690	<u>3</u>
Total	9

Note:

¹The program of study may be focused entirely on one area or may be a unified program utilizing course work in several related fields. The areas of concentration are Philosophy and Christian Thought.