

# LIBERTY

UNIVERSITY.

THE GRADUATE SCHOOL

**Master of Divinity (M.Div.)**  
*Community Chaplaincy Concentration*  
*Thesis*  
 2016-2017 Degree Completion Plan

<b><u>CORE COURSES (45 hours)</u></b>	<b>Hrs</b>	<b>Sem</b>	<b>Grade</b>	<b><u>BIBLICAL LANGUAGES (12 hours)</u></b>	<b>Hrs</b>	<b>Sem</b>	<b>Grade</b>
APOL 525 Pluralism & World Religions	3	_____	_____	<i>Choose two 500-600 level electives from the following disciplines for which prerequisites have been met: NGRK or OTCL.</i>			
CHHI 520 History of Christianity I <sup>1</sup>	3	_____	_____	_____	3	_____	_____
CHHI 525 History of Christianity II <sup>1</sup>	3	_____	_____	_____	3	_____	_____
CRIS 607 PTSD & Combat Rel. Trauma	3	_____	_____	_____	3	_____	_____
HOMI 500 Preparation of the Sermon	3	_____	_____	<i>Choose two 600 level electives from the following disciplines for which prerequisites have been met: NBST, NGRK, OBST or OTCL.</i>			
HOMI 605 Expository Preaching	3	_____	_____	_____	3	_____	_____
NBST 515 New Testament Orientation I <sup>2</sup>	3	_____	_____	_____	3	_____	_____
NBST 520 New Testament Orientation II <sup>2</sup>	3	_____	_____	_____	3	_____	_____
NBST 610 Hermeneutics	3	_____	_____	<b><u>PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT (12 hours)</u></b>			
OBST 515 Old Testament Orientation I <sup>3</sup>	3	_____	_____	CHPL 500 Intro. to Chaplaincy Ministry	3	_____	_____
OBST 520 Old Testament Orientation II <sup>3</sup>	3	_____	_____	CHPL 598 Chaplain Formation Practicum <sup>5</sup>	3	_____	_____
PACO 603 Premarital & Marital Coun.	3	_____	_____	CHPL 615 Chaplain Ethics	3	_____	_____
PACO 617 Theories & Techniques in Coun.	3	_____	_____	CHPL 699 Chaplain Internship <sup>5</sup>	3	_____	_____
THEO 525 Systematic Theology I	3	_____	_____	<b><u>THESIS COURSES (6 hours)</u></b>			
THEO 530 Systematic Theology II	3	_____	_____	RTCH 680 Research Methods <sup>6</sup>	3	_____	_____
<b><u>COMMUNITY CHAPLAIN. CONCENTRATION (18 hours)</u></b>				THES 690 Thesis Defense	3	_____	_____
CHPL 645 Chaplain Resilient Leaders <sup>4</sup>	3	_____	_____	<b>TOTAL HOURS 93</b>			
CHPL 655 Chaplain Evan. & Discipleship <sup>4</sup>	3	_____	_____				
CHPL 665 Chaplain Crisis Counseling <sup>4</sup>	3	_____	_____				
CHPL 682 Community Chaplaincy	3	_____	_____				
CRIS 606 Acute Stress, Grief & Trauma	3	_____	_____				
<i>Choose one 600 level elective from the following disciplines for which prerequisites have been met: CRIS or PACO.</i>							
_____	3	_____	_____				

**Graduation Requirements**

Complete 93 hours

A minimum of 48 hours must be completed through Liberty, not to include credits from a prior degree earned through Liberty

A maximum of 45 hours of transfer credit, including credit from a degree on the same academic level previously earned through Liberty, may be applied to the degree 2.0 GPA

Degree must be completed within 10 years

All Resident students are required to enroll in and pass GRST 500 in their first semester

All Online students admitted on Academic Caution are required to enroll in and pass GRST 500 in their first semester

Please submit a Graduation Application to the Registrar's Office at the beginning of the final semester

**Notes**

Only graded course work from accredited institutions will be eligible for transfer.

<sup>1</sup>With demonstrated capability in CHHI from an undergraduate program, students can request to substitute 600-level CHHI courses for CHHI 520 & 525.

<sup>2</sup>With demonstrated capability in NBST from an undergraduate program, students can request to substitute 600-level NBST courses for NBST 515 & 520.

<sup>3</sup>With demonstrated capability in OBST from an undergraduate program, students can request to substitute 600-level OBST courses for OBST 515 & 520.

<sup>4</sup>Course offered as residential intensive only

<sup>5</sup>Course is 16 weeks long.

<sup>6</sup>Any student who is not ready for enrollment in THES 690 after completing RTCH 680 may be required, as determined by the student's thesis chair, to take THES 689 Thesis Proposal and Research, and may be required to repeat THES 689 until deemed ready for enrollment in THES 690.

**SUGGESTED COURSE SEQUENCE**

First Semester		Second Semester	
APOL 525	3	CHPL 598 <sup>1</sup>	3
CHPL 500	3	NBST 520	3
NBST 515	<u>3</u>	THEO 525	<u>3</u>
Total	9	Total	9

Third Semester		Fourth Semester	
CHPL 615	3	CRIS/PACO Elective <sup>3</sup> [CRIS 605] <sup>4</sup>	3
NGRK/OTCL Elective <sup>2</sup>	3	NBST 610	3
THEO 530	<u>3</u>	NGRK/OTCL Elective <sup>2</sup>	<u>3</u>
Total	9	Total	9

Fifth Semester		Sixth Semester	
CHPL 645	3	CHHI 520	3
CRIS 607	3	HOMI 500	3
OBST 515	<u>3</u>	OBST 520	<u>3</u>
Total	9	Total	9

Seventh Semester		Eighth Semester	
CHHI 525	3	CHPL 655	3
HOMI 605	3	CHPL 665	3
PACO 617	<u>3</u>	NBST/NGRK/OBST/OTCL Elective <sup>3</sup>	<u>3</u>
Total	9	Total	9

Ninth Semester		Tenth Semester	
CHPL 682	3	CHPL 699 <sup>1</sup>	3
NBST/NGRK/OBST/OTCL Elective <sup>3</sup>	3	CRIS 606	3
PACO 603	<u>3</u>	RTCH 680 <sup>5</sup>	<u>3</u>
Total	9	Total	9

Eleventh Semester	
THES 690	<u>3</u>
Total	3

**Notes**

<sup>1</sup>Course is 16 weeks long.

<sup>2</sup>Must be a 500-600 level course

<sup>3</sup>Must be a 600 level course

<sup>4</sup>Suggested Elective

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