

# **Doctor of Philosophy in Theological Studies (Ph.D.)**

2023-2024 Degree Completion Plan

LANGUAGE COMPETENCY		Hrs	<u>Sem</u>	<u>Grade</u>			<u>Hrs</u>	Sem	<b>Grade</b>
German Examination					THEO 935	Christianity & Politics	3		
					THEO 950	11	3		
	RE COURSES (6 hours)					Christian Ethics	3		
RTCH 900	Research Methods	3			THEO 968	Current Issues in Theology	3		
RTCH 901	Teaching in Higher Education	3							
						REA OF FOCUS COURSES (9 ho			
	GICAL STUDIES COURSES (12 hou					edit hours from one of the Areas of Focus			
APOL 920	Resurrection & Miracles	3			of Focus sec	tion which is different from the chosen M	ajor Area	of Focu	ıs.
THEO 900	Seminar in Theological Method	3					3		
THEO 903	Historical Develop. of Christian Thought	3					3		
THEO 945	Seminar in Modern Theo. & Theologians	3				<u></u>	3		
MAJOR A	REA OF FOCUS COURSES (15 hour	<u>rs)</u>			COMPRE	HENSIVE EXAMINATION			
	edit hours from a single area of focus:				-				
Apologetics									
APOL 910	Apologetic Methods	3			DISSERT	ATION COURSES (15 hours) <sup>1</sup>			
APOL 930	The Problem of Evil, Pain, & Suffering	3			DISS 987	Dissertation Proposal & Research I	5		
APOL 935	Apologetics & Culture	3			DISS 988	Dissertation Proposal & Research II	5		
APOL 940	Modern Apologetic Issues	3			DISS 989	Dissertation Proposal & Research III	5	· <u></u> -	
APOL 997	Seminar in Apologetics	3			DISS 990	Dissertation Defense	0		
THEO 915	Natural Theology	3				TOTAL HO	U <b>RS 57</b>		
Biblical Theo	logv								
BIBL 910	Old Testament Theology	3							
BIBL 915	New Testament Theology	3							
BIBL 925	Theology of the Gospel	3							
BIBL 968	Current Biblical & Theological Issues	3							
BIBL 996	Special Topics in Biblical Theology	3							
BIBL 997	Seminar in Biblical Theology	3							
Christian The	o .								
THEO 901	Contemp. Issues in the Doctrine of God	3							
THEO 904	Bibliology	3							
THEO 905	Christology in Contemporary Theo. Persp.	3							
THEO 915	Natural Theology	3							
THEO 968	Current Issues in Theology	3							
THEO 997	Seminar in Theological Studies	3							
Public Theolo	ngv								
APOL 935	Apologetics & Culture	3							
BIBL 925	Theology of the Gospel	3							
Graduation R	equirements								

#### Graduation Requirements

57 total hours

A maximum of 50% of a post-graduate and doctoral degree may be transferred if approved and allowable, including credit from an earned degree from Liberty University on the same academic level

3.0 GPA

No grades lower than a B- may be applied to the degree

Successful completion of the Research Language Competencies

Successful completion of Comprehensive Exams

Degree must be completed within 7 years

Submission of Degree Completion Application must be completed within the last semester of a student's anticipated graduation date

### Offered in Resident format

#### Notes

All applicable prerequisites must be met

<sup>1</sup>Once the student enters the Dissertation phase, he/she must maintain continuous enrollment (Fall, Spring and Summer semesters) until all degree requirements are completed

Suggested Course Sequence on second page

<u>DISSERTATION PROCESS</u>									
Mentor Assigned: _ Reader Assigned: _ Reader Assigned:									
Topic Approved Date:									
Dissertation Defense Date:  Dissertation Approved:									
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# SUGGESTED COURSE SEQUENCE

3 3 6	Second Semester  RTCH 901  Major Area of Focus Elective <sup>1</sup> Total	3 <u>3</u> 6
3 3 6	Fourth Semester THEO 900 Major Area of Focus Elective <sup>1</sup> Total	3 <u>3</u> 6
3 3 6	Sixth Semester  Major Area of Focus Elective¹ Minor Area of Focus Elective² Total  Eighth Semester  DISS 987  Total	3 3 6
6 5 5	Tenth Semester DISS 989 Total	<u>5</u> 5
	3 6 3 3 6 3 3 6	3 Major Area of Focus Elective <sup>1</sup> 6 Total  Fourth Semester 3 THEO 900 3 Major Area of Focus Elective <sup>1</sup> 6 Total  Sixth Semester 3 Major Area of Focus Elective <sup>1</sup> 3 Minor Area of Focus Elective <sup>2</sup> 6 Total  Eighth Semester  DISS 987 Total  Tenth Semester

### Notes

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>See DCP for Major Area of Focus Courses.
<sup>2</sup>See DCP for Minor Area of Focus Courses. Must be different from Major Area of Focus.