

MASTER OF ARTS/APOLOGETICS

Description of the Master of Arts/Apologetics

The Master of Arts/apologetics degree is designed for those who want to place a special emphasis on defending the Christian faith and persuading others to embrace it. It is an ideal degree for those pursuing youth ministry, collegiate ministry, women's ministry, or parachurch evangelist ministries. Upon completion of the degree the student will be well equipped to evaluate and critique philosophical and theological issues facing churches and society, to present a logical and biblical defense of Scripture and the Christian faith, and provide leadership in a variety of ministry contexts. This degree requires 60 semester hours of academic credit for graduation.

Completion Requirements for the Master of Arts/Apologetics Degree

General Requirements

In order to qualify for graduation from Mid-America Seminary or College, each student seeking the Master of Arts/apologetics degree must satisfy the General Requirements for Graduation as set forth in this catalog.

Course Requirements

Each student pursuing the Master of Arts/apologetics degree must complete the 60 semester hours of courses specified in the following chart, including 57 semester hours of required courses and three elective hours. Note: Logos Bible Research Software (Silver edition or above) is recommended for courses in the New Testament Department.

Required Courses for the Master of Arts/Apologetics

First Year		Hours
EV 6200	Personal Evangelism	3
CM 7450 or HM 7001	Principles of Teaching 1 or Biblical Preaching 1	3
PM 7300	Spiritual Formation	3
EN 7900	Introduction to Research and Writing	3
AP 6960	Contemporary Ethical Issues in Apologetics	3
AP 6940	Cultural Apologetics and Worldview Evangelism	3
MS 6405	Traditional World Religions and Cults	3
OT 5101 & OT 5102	Old Testament Survey 1 and Old Testament Survey 2	6
AP 6910	Introduction to Apologetics	3
Hours		30
Second Year		
CH 6150	The History of the Baptists	3
AP Elective		3
AP 6930	Logic and Christian Persuasion	3
AP 6950	The Problem of Evil	3
TH 6701 & TH 6702	Systematic Theology 1 and Systematic Theology 2	6
NT 5601 & NT 5602	New Testament Survey 1 and New Testament Survey 2	6
AP 6935	Creation and Scientific Apologetics	3
AP 6945	The Historical Reliability of the Gospels	3
Hours		30
Total Hours		60