MASTER OF DIVINITY/BIBLICAL COUNSELING

Description of the Master of Divinity/Biblical Counseling Degree

The Master of Divinity/biblical counseling degree is a professional graduate degree beyond the Bachelor of Arts or equivalent. It is designed to equip both male and female students for effective ministry as biblical counselors. The degree focuses on counseling that is strictly biblical in nature (nouthetic), and students receive a background in the theology of counseling and evidence that the Word is sufficient to bring about change. The Master of Divinity/biblical counseling degree requires 90 semester hours of course credit.

Completion Requirements for the Master of Divinity/Biblical Counseling Degree

General Requirements

In order to qualify for graduation from Mid-America Baptist Theological Seminary, each student in the Master of Divinity/biblical counseling degree program must satisfy the General Requirements for Graduation as set forth in this catalog.

Course Requirements

Each student seeking the Master of Divinity/biblical counseling degree must complete the 90 semester hours of courses specified in the following chart. The Master of Divinity/biblical counseling degree includes several components:

1. 78 hours of required courses,
2. nine semester hours of elective courses, and
3. a three-semester hour practicum.

Note: Logos Bible Research Software (Silver edition or above) is recommended for courses in the New Testament Department.

Required Courses for the Master of Divinity/Biblical Counseling Degree

Course	Title	Hours
First Year		
OT 5101 & OT 5102	Old Testament Survey 1 and Old Testament Survey 2	6
GR 5801 & GR 5802	Greek 1 and Greek 2	6
CH 6001	The History of Christianity	3
EV 6200	Personal Evangelism	3
EN 7900	Introduction to Research and Writing	3
MS 6370	Introduction to Missions	3
BH 5100	Hermeneutics	3
AP 6910	Introduction to Apologetics	3
	Hours	**30**
Second Year		
HB 5401 & HB 5402	Hebrew Grammar 1 and Hebrew Grammar 2	6
NT 5601 & NT 5602	New Testament Survey 1 and New Testament Survey 2	6
TH 6701 & TH 6702	Systematic Theology 1 and Systematic Theology 2	6
Select one of the following sequences:		6
CM 7450 & CM 7452	Principles of Teaching 1 and Principles of Teaching 2	
HM 7001 & HM 7005	Biblical Preaching 1 and Biblical Preaching 2	
CN 7103	Introduction to Biblical Counseling	3
Old Testament Elective		3
	Hours	**30**
Third Year		
CH 6150	The History of the Baptists	3
CN 7172	Theology of Counseling	3
MS 6405	Traditional World Religions and Cults	3
Free Elective		3
PM 7300	Spiritual Formation	3
CN 7174	Marriage and Family Counseling	3
Free Elective		3

New Testament Elective		3
CN 7176	Crisis Counseling	3
CN 7190	Counseling Practicum 1 *	3
	Hours	**30**
	Total Hours	**90**

* Prerequisite: CN 7176

The Master of Divinity/biblical counseling degree meets all prerequisite master-level requirements for both the Doctor of Ministry program and the Doctor of Philosophy program.