

Cornerstone Christian University
Maitland, FL
Online
Master of Arts Degree Program in Theology (M.TH)

Field experience may be credited as practicum and PL may also apply as credits

The Master of Arts Degree Program in Theological Studies required the completion of 48 credit hours, including a thesis.

The purpose **Master of Theology (M.TH)** program is to provide the candidate with an advanced competencies and biblical insights through the teaching, preparation and observation for those actively involved in vocational Christian ministry of education. Cornerstone focuses on knowledge and understanding rather the actual degree itself. For this purpose, CCU's requirements and standards are slightly higher without any additional cost to you. Once you're graduated, you'll know you have some great knowledge under your belt and you'll be proud of your degree.

Graduates of the Theology program will be prepared to:

- Demonstrate an advanced understanding and integration of ministry in relation to the biblical, theological, academic, and educational disciplines.
- Articulate and apply a comprehensive and critical philosophy of ministry.
- Demonstrate advanced competencies in the areas of critical thinking, Research and Writing, Biblical Theology, Biblical Communication, Administration/Education Leadership, and Great Commission Strategies.
- Plan, implement, and critically evaluate major undertakings in ministry toward the fulfillment of the Great Commission and the Great Commandment.
- Evaluate personal, spiritual, and professional development and design a plan for lifelong learning.

Number of Transfer credits is on a case by case basis and will be evaluated for comparability before transferring them. Transfer credit to the master program must be in the 500 level-range. No grade lower than B is transferable to the graduate level. This program is for information purposes. Final review will be complete upon the review of the transcript (s) if necessary.

Course Description:

Note: Course names and or course numbers may change without notice by the curriculum department.

1. HEM503 Hermeneutics (3 credits)

This course is a basic study introducing the student to the science of interpreting the Scriptures. Various phases and methods of understanding interpretation are examined and explored.

2. Course: Christian Apologetics (3 credits)

Course Number: THE513

This is a study of Christian Apologetics for the purpose of equipping the pastor, minister, or lay leader in the defense of the Truths of God. This study is in three parts: 1) deals with various tests for truth in order to lay a foundation for testing the “truths” of various world views, 2) applies the test for truth to those views, and 3) works within the theistic view to verify the deity of Jesus and the authority of the Bible

3. Research and Writing in the Seminary: Practical Strategies and Tools (3 credits)

Course Number: RES23

This practical, how-to book for beginning seminary students offers step-by-step guidelines for typical writing assignments at the master's level. Chapters are included on the most basic and common types of writing in seminary: theological book reviews, exegetical papers, theological essays or summaries, reflection papers, research papers, and sermons. Practical, immediately relevant topics offer guidelines students can use as soon as they need them--as they begin the research and writing process. The content is accessible to all students, including those with no writing or theological background and second-career students who finished undergraduate study many years prior to entering seminary. Samples of each type of paper are included; with step-by-step commentary to help beginning students understand the process.

3. Historical New Testament I (3 credits)

Course Number: NTS533

The New Testament is the product of the Church while the Church is not the product of the New Testament. The church could have proclaimed, and in fact did proclaim, the gospel without possessing the New Testament; but the New Testament could not have come into existence apart from the Church.

4. Creative Bible Teaching (3 credits)

Course Number: CED514 Creative Bible Teaching designed to help those, desiring to teach creatively based on biblical principles can do so effectively. The course is loaded with practical and usable Christian based ideas that will make creative teaching a reality.

5. Strategy in Leadership and Administration (4 credits)

Course Number: PSL523

This course will introduce the students to the general approach to the administering the local church, merging together the leadership and the administration, and specific responses to particular problems. This course will also give the student a clear understanding that biblical approach to administration of the local church or any other ministry.

6. Anthropology (4 credits)

Course Number: THE543

Biblical Anthropology is a survey of the culture of the Bible, as produced by the societies in the ancient Levant. Topics covered include customs, religious practices, folklore, lifeways, and traditions. Societies of interest include the Jews, Canaanites, Philistines, Egyptians, and Mesopotamians. Offered monthly

7. Abstract of Systematic Theology (4 credits)

Course: THE563

Throughout this course Boyce insisted on the importance of theological education for all ministers. In a preface, he described his Abstract of Systematic Theology, published the year

before his death, as follows: "This volume is published the rather as a practical text book, for the study of the system of doctrine taught in the Word of God, than as a contribution to theological.

8. Biblical Preaching

(4 credits)

Course Number: PRC573

Course description: This course presents Romans in a way that best helps those understand the way to salvation. It answers the great question, "How can a man be righteous before God?"

9. Course Title: Business English for Success

(4-hour)

Description: Business English for Success is a creative solution to a common challenge across Business Communication courses: Business English or Business Presentations? Some classes place an equal emphasis on oral and written communication. Business English for Success provides instruction in steps, builds writing, reading, and critical thinking, and combines comprehensive grammar review with an introduction to paragraph writing and composition. This step-by-step approach provides a clear path to student-centered learning. A wide range of writing levels and abilities are addressed, helping each student prepare for the next writing or university course.

10. Course Title: Mastering Public Relations

(4-hour)

Course Number: BPR643

Description: Description: This course mastering Public Relations that provides an executive overview of the field of public relations with a focus on what managers need to know to master the function quickly and effectively. This course further bear on the topic of public relations management their research and academic knowledge in the areas of business management and strategy, mass communication, marketing, public relations, organizational communication, journalism, ethics, and public opinion along with years of professional experience in managing public relations.

11. Course Title: Financial Accounting

(4-hour)

Course Number: FIN653

Description: For a course such as financial accounting, each subject should relate in some manner to the real world of business. Therefore, every chapter includes a discussion with a successful investment analyst about the material that has been presented. This expert provides an honest and open assessment of financial accounting straight from the daily world of high finance and serious business decisions. Every question, every answer, and every topic need to connect directly to the world we all face. Students should always be curious about the relevance of every aspect of a textbook's coverage.

12. Course title: Human Relation

(4-hour)

Course Number: BHR663

Description: The study and understanding of human relations can help students in their workplace, and as a result, assist them in achieving career success. The better their human relations, the more likely they are to grow both professionally and individually. Knowing how to get along with others, resolve workplace conflict, manage relationships, communicate well, and make good decisions are all skills we will discuss throughout the book.

13. Christology**(4 credits)**

Course Number: THE673

This book presents one of the most thorough and passionate studies of Christology. It covers all components of the eternal existence of Christ, life of Christ, atoning work of Christ, and future work of Christ, as well as other topics. This book's approach is dispensational and premillennial and he offers cogent defenses of his views. This work is both scholarly, reverent, and at times devotional.

14. THE700 Master's Thesis Research Project**(0 credits)**

This final course culminates the entire course of studies and research required by this program. This is a very involved endeavor and will require an undivided attention. The research project comprises two part—a quantitative and a qualitative research. Both parts must demonstrate doctorate level quality of work.

Student allowed choosing their own research topic and getting it approved by the Thesis Review Board. Upon the approval of the research topic, a proposal containing the first three chapters, table of content and partial bibliography must be submitted to The Thesis Review Board.

The Review Board will review the research proposal. The board will either approve it, approve it with recommendations, or denied it. If the dissertation is denied, a separate fee will be required for revisions. Students are solely responsible to present the research project as required the first time to avoid any denial proposal and extra fee.

Upon the final review and grading of the final research project, the student will submit two bound copies to the school. One will be graded, endorse, and return to the student and one copy will remain the property of the school.
