Master of Divinity Program Structure and Summary
Africa Reformation Theological Seminary
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Introduction
Master of Divinity (MDiv; 116 credits required; with seven non-credit courses, including Greek and Hebrew, the total is 130 credits; see below)
The Master of Divinity degree is ARTS central degree program. It seeks to integrate theory and practice to prepare graduates for pastoral ministry. It is the standard graduate seminary degree world-wide for training pastors. It is offered for ordained pastors and for students who plan to enter the ordained gospel ministry as a life calling. It is the most demanding and comprehensive of the ARTS degree programs. It requires 40 credits more than the MATS degree programs and 44 credits more than the MABC program. The MDiv program while involving more courses, can be completed in the same time as the shorter degrees. It simply requires a greater amount of work. The MDiv is especially designed to prepare men for effective pastoral ministry in the local church, enabling the development and shepherding of healthy, God-centered, Christ-exalting, Bible-soaked, world missions-mobilizing, evangelism-passionate and good-deed-zealous worshipping communities. This degree equips pastors to understand and to interpret the Scriptures in order to properly handle and preach the Word and to build up Christ's church. Each book of the Bible is studied in the curriculum and some books in great depth. It also entails significant study of Greek, Hebrew, systematic theology, historical theology, biblical counseling, world missions, practical theology and preaching.

The MDiv degree prepares men for various ordained and pastoral church ministries (preaching, prayer, teaching, pastoral leadership, church planting, evangelism, biblical counseling and world missions) and both men and women for various spheres of service both inside and outside of the church (e.g. education, administration, counseling, government, business, industry and development). The over-all goal of the program is to equip leaders and especially pastors for gospel-driven ministry through biblical and Christ-exalting churches.

Africa Reformation Theological Seminary offers two tracks in the Master of Divinity program, an ordination track and a non-ordination track. The ordination track, in accordance with the historical theological position held by the mainstream of evangelical churches, is limited to male students already ordained as pastors or preparing for ordination. The non-ordination track is intended for both male and female students desiring to develop exegetical skills and a broader set of ministry skills for a variety of church, society and NGO ministries.

The Master of Divinity degree and the Master of Arts in Biblical Counseling (MABC) degree may both be earned by the same student. ARTS does not grant any other combination of two degrees. Either the MABC or the MDiv degree may be earned first. The student desiring to earn both degrees will be advised to finish one degree before being admitted to the second degree program.

Required time is 3.0 years for a full-time student to complete the MDiv degree. Sixty-four (64) courses are required including seven (7) non-credit courses. A student has the option of "testing out" of these seven courses (Greek I, II, III, Hebrew I, II and III and CT010 Computer Applications in Research), by passing competency examinations. In addition four non-credit mentored internships (involving supervised ministry practicums) are required.

1.9 Program Structure

Computation of Credit Units
In the computation of the Credit Units in the curriculum matrix below, we use the following guide from the NCHE.
1. 1CH = 1LH = 2PH = 2TH
2. 1LH means one hour or 60 Mins of Classroom instruction.
3. 1CU = 15CH = 15LH = 30TH = 30PH

LH – Lecture Hour
CU – Credit Unit

TH – Tutorial Hour
PH – Practical Hour
CH – Contact Hour

Bridging Module
These three courses are offered to students who do not meet the Greek entry requirement. A student has the option of "testing out" of **Greek I, II and III, i.e. passing a Greek competency examination in place of enrolling in and passing the three Greek courses. The bridging module is 19 days of classwork.**

Course Code and Name	LH	PH	TH	CH	CU
NT0101-0103 New Testament Greek I, II, & III	30			30	2

Year 1 Semester 1
During this semester, the student will take the first portion of the foundational and prerequisite courses.

Course Code and Name	LH	PH	TH	CH	CU
CT1101 Computer Applications in Research	15		30	30	2
PT1101 Communications and Research Writing	24		12	30	2
OT1101 Introduction to the Bible and Bible Survey	30			30	2
NT1101 New Testament Survey	30			30	2
NT1104 Gospel of John	30			30	2
BC1101 Introduction to Biblical Counseling	24		12	30	2
ST1101 Bible Interpretation	30			30	2
ST1102 The Doctrine of Scripture and God	24		12	30	2
ST1103 The Doctrine of Man	24		12	30	2
Total					**18**

Recess Term
These three courses are offered to students who do not meet the Hebrew entry requirement. A student has the option of "testing out" of **Hebrew I, II and III, i.e. passing a Hebrew competency examination in place of enrolling in and passing the three Hebrew courses.** The Recess Term is three weeks.

Course Code and Name	LH	PH	TH	CH	CU
OT0101-0103 Biblical Hebrew I, II, & III	30			30	2

Year 1 Semester 2
During this semester, the student will take the remaining portion of the foundational and prerequisite courses.

Course Code and Name	LH	PH	TH	CH	CU
AP1201 Introduction to Apologetics	28		4	30	2
BC1202 Marriage and Family Counseling	28		4	30	2
NT1203 Unity of the Bible and Covenant Theology	30			30	2

Course Code and Name	LH	PH	TH	CH	CU
ST1204 Introduction to Reformed Theology	24		12	30	2
OT1202 Genesis	30			30	2
OT1203 Exodus through Deuteronomy	30			30	2
PT1204 Biblical Principles of Christian Education and Discipleship	24		12	30	2
Elective (*Optional*)					
NT1202 Advanced Greek Exegesis	30			30	2
Total					**14 or 16**

Award of a Postgraduate Certificate (PGC) in Theological Studies
Students who have successfully completed the first year courses and have gained at least 24 credit units and who for any reason wish to terminate their studies may be awarded a postgraduate certificate in Divinity (PGC). To qualify for the award of a PGC, candidates must have earned a CGPA of no less than 3.0.

Year 2 Semester 1
The student will build on the year 1 foundational courses by taking more courses in the different fields of theology.

Course Code and Name	LH	PH	TH	CH	CU
MS2101 Introduction to World Missions	24		12	30	2
ST2105 The Doctrine of the Person and Work of Christ	24		12	30	2
ST2106 The Doctrine of Redemption and the Holy Spirit	24		12	30	2
PT2102 Preaching I	24	12		30	2
NT2105 Synoptic Gospels	30			30	2
NT2106 Lukan Writings	30			30	2
OT2104 Historical Books	30			30	2
BC2103 Premarital Counseling	30			30	2
BC2104 Advanced Marriage and Family Counseling	30			30	2
PT2109 Personal Evangelism	24	12		30	2
Total					**20**

Year 2 Semester 2
The student will continue to build on the foundational courses by taking more courses in the different fields of theology.

Course Code and Name	LH	PH	TH	CH	CU
HT2201 Early & Medieval Church History	24		12	30	2
HT2202 Reformation & Modern Church History	24		12	30	2
PT2203 Preaching II	24	12		30	2

	LH	PH	TH	CH	CU
NT2207 Romans	30			30	2
MS2202 Introduction to Islam and African Islam	30			30	2
MS2252 Biblical Church Planting	24	6	6	30	2
PT2212 Church Growth, Revitalization and Revival	24		12	30	2
PT2213 Pastoral Ministry, Covenant Theology and the Sacraments	24		12	30	2
PT2215 Research Methodologies	24		12	30	2
PT2214 Leadership, Teaching and Administration in the Church	24		12	30	2
Total					**20**

Award of a Postgraduate Diploma (PGD) in Divinity
Students who have successfully completed the first and second year courses and earned at least 60 credit units and who for any reason wish to terminate their studies may be awarded a postgraduate diploma in Divinity (PGC). Such students shall be required to undertake an industrial attachment and write a report. To qualify for the award of a PGD, students must have earned a CGPA of no less than 3.0.

Year 3 Semester 1
Having completed approximately one-half of the courses in the MDiv degree, students will draw upon material learned during the first two years of study as a foundation to increase preparation, skill, and effectiveness in the mentored internship experience. Mentored internships may occur between semesters but may also be accomplished during the semester.

Course Code and Name	LH	PH	TH	CH	CU
ST3107 The Doctrine of the Church and the Means of Grace	24		12	30	2
ST3108 The Doctrine of Last Things	24		12	30	2
ST3109 Contemporary World and African Theology	30			30	2
PT3105 Biblical Church Government and Discipline	24		12	30	2
PT3106 Prayer and the Christian Worker's Personal Life	24		12	30	2
PT3107 Women's, Children's and Youth Ministry	24		12	30	2
OT3106 Prophets	24		12	30	2
PT3111 Public Worship & Music	24		12	30	2
PT3110 Church Conflict Resolution and Biblical Peacemaking	24		12	30	2
Electives (*Choose One or total of three NT electives*)					
NT3108 I and II Corinthians	30			30	2
NT3109 Galatians	30			30	2
NT3110 Prison Letters	30			30	2
NT3111 Pastoral Letters	30			30	2
Total (with one elective)					**20**

PT3001-PT3020 **Mentored Internships**

Year 3 Semester 2

Students will continue with the semester courses and complete the mentored internships. At the end of the semester and upon receiving approval, students will work on the Independent Study course on Denominational Studies.

Course Code and Name	LH	PH	TH	CH	CU
OT3205 Poetry and Wisdom Literature	30			30	2
HT3204 Church and Missions History in Africa	24		12	30	2
HT3205 Calvin's Institutes of the Christian Religion	24		12	30	2
ST3210 The Westminster Confession and Catechisms	24		12	30	2
ST3211 Christian Ethics	30			30	2
PT3208 Preaching III	15	30		30	2
MS3203 Local Church Ministries and African Realities	28		4	30	2
AP3202 Contemporary African Cults and African Traditional Religion	24	6	6	30	2
PT3215 Denominational Studies					2
PT3216 Master of Divinity Project: Project, Paper, Defense					4
Electives (*Choose One or total of three NT electives*)					
NT3212 Hebrews	30			30	2
NT3213 General Letters	24		12	30	2
NT3214 Revelation	24		12	30	2
Total (with one elective)					**24**

2.0. Summary of Courses According to Departments

The credits for the required courses for each department are in parentheses. All courses are 2 credit hours unless noted.

Genesis and Old Testament (12)
OT1101 Introduction to the Bible and Bible Survey
OT1202 Genesis
OT1203 Exodus through Deuteronomy
OT2104 Historical Books
OT3205 Poetry and Wisdom Literature
OT3106 Prophets
OT0101 Hebrew I (non-credit required course)
OT0102 Hebrew II (non-credit required course)
OT0103 Hebrew III (non-credit required course)
These three non-credit required courses are equivalent to 6 credits. Hebrew is offered to students who do not meet the Hebrew entry requirement**.** Note: A student has the option of "testing out" of **Hebrew I, II and III, i.e. passing a Hebrew competency examination in place of enrolling in and passing the three Hebrew courses.**

New Testament (18)
NT1101 New Testament Survey
NT1203 Unity of the Bible and Covenant Theology
NT1204 Gospel of John
NT2105 Synoptic Gospels
NT2106 Lukan Writings
NT2207 Romans

New Testament Elective Courses (additional required courses): Select three (3) courses or six (6) credits from the following):

        NT3108 I and II Corinthians
        NT3109 Galatians
        NT3110 Prison Letters
        NT3111 Pastoral Letters
        NT3212 Hebrews
        NT3213 General Letters
        NT3214 Revelation

New Testament Greek (**three non-credit required courses; equivalent to 6 credits;** offered to students who do not meet the New Testament Greek entry requirements)
Note: A student has the option of "testing out" of Greek I, II and III, i.e. passing a Greek competency examination in place of enrolling in and passing the three Greek courses.

        NT0101 Greek I (Introduction to NT Greek; **non-credit, required**)
        NT0102 Greek II (Introduction to NT Greek, part 2; **non-credit, required**)
        NT0103 Greek III (Basic Principles of Greek Exegesis through translation and exegetical study
           of the NT letter of I John; **non-credit, required**)

Note: NT0101, NT0102 and NT0103 are non-credit, required courses and prerequisites for all NT book courses with exegesis components—i.e., all NT courses except NT1203 and NT1101. A student excelling in NT0101, NT0102 and NT0103 may be invited by the Greek lecturer to enroll in NT1202 Advanced Greek Exegesis as a credit course.

NT1202 Advanced Greek Exegesis (an exegetical study of the NT letter of Ephesians); credit for one NT elective is granted for completion; **optional for qualified students recommended by the Greek lecturer.**

Systematic Theology (22)
ST1101 Bible Interpretation
ST1204 Introduction to Reformed Theology
ST1102 The Doctrine of Scripture, God
ST1103 The Doctrine of Man
ST2105 The Doctrine of the Person and Work of Christ
ST2106 The Doctrine of Redemption and the Holy Spirit
ST3107 The Doctrine of the Church and the Means of Grace
ST3108 The Doctrine of Last Things
ST3211 Christian Ethics
ST3109 Contemporary World and African Theology
ST3210 The Westminster Confession and Catechisms

Historical Theology (8)
HT2201 Early & Medieval Church History
HT2202 Reformation & Modern Church History
HT3204 Church and Missions History in Africa
HT3205 Calvin's Institutes of the Christian Religion

Practical Theology (28)
PT2102 Preaching I
PT2203 Preaching II
PT3208 Preaching III
PT1101 Communications and Research Writing
PT3106 Prayer and the Christian Worker's Personal Life
PT1204 Biblical Principles of Christian Education and Discipleship
PT2214 Leadership, Teaching, and Administration in the Church
PT2109 Personal Evangelism
PT3105 Biblical Church Government and Discipline
PT3107 Women's, Children's, and Youth Ministry

PT3110 Church Conflict Resolution and Biblical Peacemaking
PT3111 Public Worship & Music
PT2213 Pastoral Ministry, Covenant Theology, and the Sacraments
PT2212 Church Growth, Revitalization, and Revival

Missions (8)
MS2101 Introduction to World Missions
MS2252 Biblical Church Planting
MS3203 Local Church Ministries and African Realities
MS2202 Introduction to Islam and African Islam

Biblical Counseling (8)
BC1101 Introduction to Biblical Counseling
BC1202 Marriage and Family Counseling
BC2103 Premarital Counseling
BC2104 Advanced Marriage and Family Counseling

Apologetics (4)
AP1201 Introduction to Apologetics
AP3202 Contemporary African Cults and African Traditional Religion

CT0101 Computer Applications in Research (2)
(non-credit, required; equivalent to 2 credits) This course is offered to students who do not meet the computer technology entry requirement. Note: A student has the option of "testing out" of **CT0101 Computer Applications in Research i.e. passing a computer competency examination in place of enrolling in and passing CT010.**

PT3215 Denominational Studies (2)
Each student will select one course from the following:
> **PT3215 Denominational Studies (PCU)** Presbyterian Church in Uganda: History, Polity, and Ordination; under ordination, this course includes a section on the procedures and preparation for licensure and ordination in PCU presbyteries;
> **PT3215 Denominational Studies (RPCU)** Reformed Presbyterian Church in Uganda: History, Polity, and Ordination; under ordination, this course includes a section on the procedures and preparation for licensure and ordination in RPCU presbyteries;
> **PT3215 Denominational Studies (AEPC)** African Evangelical Presbyterian Church: History, Polity, and Ordination: under ordination this course includes a section on the procedures and preparation for licensure and ordination in AEPC presbyteries;
> **PT3215 Denominational Studies (COU)** Church of Uganda (Anglican): History, Polity, and Ordination; under ordination this course includes a section on the procedures and preparation for licensure and ordination in the COU;
> **PT3215 Denominational Studies (PAG)** Pentecostal Assembly of God Church: History, Polity, and Ordination; under ordination this course includes a section on the procedures and preparation for licensure and ordination in the PAG;
> **PT3215 Denominational Studies (Denomination or Church name of which the student is a member)** A student from another church or denomination will study and write on the history, polity, and ordination procedures and preparation of their church.

PT2215 Research Methodologies (2)

PT3216 Master of Divinity Project (4)
This course is designed as the concluding and culminating course of the MDiv program. This course does not require classroom lectures. In this course, the student is required to: (1) write a confession of faith stating the student's theological beliefs (6–12 pages); and (2) complete the "Project and Project Paper," which is a faculty-supervised independent study, reflection, and research project on a topic that addresses the practice of biblical ministry in a church-based or church-building setting. The topic is selected by the student and approved by the supervisor. See the course syllabus and assignments for details.

Ordination and non-ordination tracks

The above 64 courses (57 are for credit) comprise the ordination track for men pursuing pastoral ordination or for ordained pastors seeking further training. The non-ordination track substitutes three courses for the three preaching courses and one course for PT3215 Denominational Studies as approved by the Academic Dean.

PT3001–3020 Mentored Internships

Four (4) non-credit **Mentored Internship**s **(rated at 2 credits each)** are required for the MDiv degree. Mentored Internships will be done in the following ministry areas: teaching, evangelism, campus ministry, cell group ministry, children's and youth ministry, preaching, the practice of church government, counseling, church planting, discipling and educational ministries, worship and music, women's ministry, mercy ministry, biblical worldview and justice ministry, and other areas as approved by the Dean.

Total required courses: 64 (57 are credit courses and 7 courses, Greek I, II, III, Hebrew I, II and III and CT010 Computer Applications in Research, are required, non-credit courses)

Total required credits: 116 (with the 7 non-credit required courses, Greek I, II and III, Hebrew I, II and III and CT0101, the total is 130 credits)

Note: A student has the option of "testing out" of Greek I, II, III, Hebrew I, II and III and CT010 Computer Applications in Research, by passing competency examinations.