

## Program Outcomes

The Master of Arts Bible/Theology Program has been developed to help the student grow toward maturity. As a graduate from the Master of Arts Program at Tri-State Bible College, the student will be able to:

- Enhance their skills in basic and advanced methods of Bible study utilizing both Hebrew and Greek language tools and software comparable to Logos 6 Scholar's Gold.
- Articulate effective research principles applicable to any field of study.
- Skillfully and effectively communicate in writing.
- Defend a biblical worldview in the midst of contrasting world philosophies.
- Authenticate proficiency in missiology by increasing cognitive learning with a missions practicum.
- Exhibit defined leadership skills by integrating leadership principles with a leadership practicum.

## Admission Requirements

Completed Application

Bachelor's degree  
from an accredited institution

Transcript of undergraduate studies  
with GPA of 2.5 or higher

Pre-requisites:

AB104 Principles of Bible Study

GR304 Basic Greek Tools

HB303 Basic Hebrew Tools

or their equivalent

Autobiographical Statement  
including your doctrinal statement  
(minimum 1,000 words)

Computer & Internet competency

Two letters of recommendation  
- one from the Academic Dean  
of your undergraduate college  
- one from a faith based  
non-profit organization

TSBC Masters Commission Approval



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# Tri-State Bible College

## Master of Arts Bible/Theology

### Residence Program



*Training Faithful  
Servants  
for Tomorrow - Today*

# Master of Arts

## Purpose

The Master of Arts Bible/Theology Program is designed to meet the needs of learners who desire further training in biblical and theological studies and who seek to enhance skillsets used in their vocational ministries. This program builds upon the college's mission of "Training Faithful Servants for Tomorrow—Today!"

## Course Descriptions - 36 Hours

### BI 501 Advanced Principles of Bible Study 4 hours

This course is designed to train students in advanced principles of Bible study by utilizing technological resources to assist in skillfully gathering data for the construction of biblical concepts ready for proclamation; thus bridging the gap between principles of Bible study and expository preaching.

### BI 506 Biblical Exegesis & Interpretation 3 hours

This course is an exegetical study of selected Old Testament and New Testament passages. HB 303 Basic Hebrew Tools, GR 304 Basic Greek Tools (or their equivalents), and BI 501 Advanced Principles of Bible Study are prerequisites to this course.

### GS 502 Advanced Research Methods 3 hours

This course is designed to teach graduate students the proper methodology for the examination of resources such as journals, digital materials, and social networking sourcing. An introduction to the Turabian style of writing and source citation is included.

### GS 503 Theological Research and Writing for Ministry 3 hours

Prerequisites to GS 503 are: BI 501, GS 502, and BI 506. This course is designed to provide students the opportunity to practice the skills of research and interpretation of biblical/theological issues relevant to practical ministry challenges.

### TH 504 Old Testament Theology 3 hours

This course is an examination of the theological teachings of the Old Testament. Emphasis will be given to the progressive, chronological development of these teachings as they surface throughout the Old Testament text.

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*2 Timothy 2:15*

### HU 601 Survey of Contemporary Philosophies 3 hours

This course is designed to help students develop a biblical worldview as they examine various philosophical positions. These positions surround and infiltrate existing ministries, challenge pastors, evangelists, missionaries, and other Christian leaders who are on the front lines of ministry in a diverse global society.

### HU 602 Christian Apologetics 3 hours

This course is designed to prepare students to defend the biblical foundations of their faith by appropriate documentation and solid interpretation. Statements of Christianity's foundational views will be carefully evaluated in light of the Scriptures.

### CE 603 Theory and Practices of Church Leadership & Administration 3 hours

Leadership is multidimensional. This course is designed to help students become effective Christian leaders and decision makers in the local church and in an ever-changing world. To do so, the course will answer theoretical and practical questions that affect Christian workers, teachers, preachers, and laymen from a biblical perspective and examine the processes of goal setting, organization, human relation, delegation, supervision, and leadership training.

### MI 604 Application of Theory to Missions 4 hours

This course consists of a study which utilizes research and writing in order to give the student insight into the theological basis for missions. Thereafter, a well-established missions endeavor relating to each student's area of interest will be selected with the approval of the course instructor.

### MI 605 Capstone Learning Project 4 hours

The capstone project is designed to give the student appropriate application of all the courses included in the Master of Arts in Bible/Theology Program. The student will select a project and have it approved by the instructor. Applicable research will provide the data to create a final authentic learning project.