



# MASTER OF DIVINITY

## Required Courses

### **BIBLICAL STUDIES** **Total 15 Hours**

- BS 101 Introduction to Hebrew Scriptures (3)
- BS 103 Introduction to New Testament (3)
- BS 270 Cultural Hermeneutics (3)
- 2 other Biblical courses at or above the 200 level (3, 3)

### **HISTORICAL STUDIES** **Total 15 Hours**

- HS 110 Christian History in Context I (3)
- HS 120 Christian History in Context II (3)
- HS 221 AME Church History (for AME students) (3)
- 2 other History courses (3 for non-AME Students) at or above the 200 level (3, 3)

### **THEOLOGY AND ETHICS** **Total 15 Hours**

- TS 100 Introduction to Systematic Theology (3)
- TS 105 Introduction to Liberation Theologies (3)
- TS 201 Introduction to Christian Ethics (3)
- TS 210 African American Religious Experience (3)
- TS 342 Introduction to Womanist & Feminist Thought (3)

### **PRACTICAL MINISTRY** **Total 37-40 Hours**

- CM 090 Intro to Blended Theological Education
- CM 100 A Introduction to Theological Research & Writing (3)
- CM 101 A, B Supervised Ministry (2, 2)
- CM 102 Pulpit Communication I (3)
- CM 150 Spiritual Formation (3)
- CM 233 Worship & Liturgy (3)
- CM 220 AME Polity and Practice (AME Students) (3)
- CM 240 Pastoral Care & Counseling (3)
- CM 243 HIV/AIDS: What Effective Clergy Should Know(3)
- CM 301 A, B Senior Seminar (4, 4)
- CM 303 Ministerial Sexual Ethics (3)
- CM 350 Transformational Leadership (3)

### **ELECTIVE CREDITS**

- Students Elective Credits (2)

**TOTAL DEGREE REQUIREMENT: 90 HOURS**



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## Multi-Year Program

### Three, Four, and Five-Year Curriculum Plan

Curriculum for all students beginning matriculation on or after Fall Semester. Online students who have completed at least one course prior to Fall 2007 have a choice to be grandfathered into previous degree requirements or to go with the new curriculum.

Note: The first number indicates the **number** of years the student plans to take to graduate, the second number indicates which **year** the student should take a particular course. (e.g. Spiritual Formation should be taken by all entering students their first fall term, regardless of whether they plan to graduate in three, four or five years). Theological Research and Writing would be taken the first year for those students planning to graduate in five years.

### Fall Semester

#### Curriculum Plans Core Courses

5-1	4-1	3-1	Spiritual Formation
5-2	4-1	3-1	Theological Research and Writing
5-1	4-1	3-1	Hebrew Scriptures
5-2	4-2	3-1	Church History
5-2	4-2	3-1	Supervised Ministry I
5-3	4-2	3-2	The Sociology and Biology of HIV/AIDS
5-3	4-2	3-2	Introduction to Liberation Theologies
5-3	4-3	3-2	Pulpit Communication I
5-4	4-3	3-2	Bible
5-4	4-3	3-2	History
5-5	4-4	3-3	Senior Seminar
5-4 or 54-4		3-3	Church Leadership
5-4 or 54-4		3-3	Worship and Liturgy
5-5	4-3	3-3	African American Religion

### Spring Semester

#### Curriculum Plans Core Courses

5-2	4-1	3-1	Introduction to Systematic Theology
5-1	4-1	3-1	New Testament
5-2	4-2	3-1	Church History II
5-2	4-2	3-1	Supervised Ministry II
5-1	4-1	3-1	World Religion, OR Islam in the African American Religious Experience
5-3	4-2	3-2	Christian Ethics
5-3	4-3	3-2	Pastoral Care and Counseling
5-4	4-4	3-2	Bible
5-4	4-4	3-2	History
5-5	4-4	3-3	Senior Seminar
5-5	4-4	3-3	Ministerial Sexual Ethics



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## Online Program

### **Accreditation**

Accredited by the Association for Theological Schools (ATS), Payne Theological Seminary has an Online Program leading to the Master of Divinity. Through this program students have access to our excellent core and adjunct faculty, research and library resources, administrative staff, and to their own classroom communities through online discussion groups.

### **Minimum Requirements to Study Online:**

- basic competence in computer skills including familiarity with the internet, email, and word processing;
- access to a computer, Microsoft Word, and high speed internet access;
- an active email account; and
- be self-directed and able to organize one's own structure for study and completion of assignments.



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## Graduation Requirements

To graduate with a Master in Divinity, students must complete 90 credit hours. In compliance with ATS regulations, two-thirds of the 90 credits (60 credits) may be earned online. The remaining one-third (30 credits) must be earned through residency credits. Students are able to earn residency credits through intensives offered on our main campus in Wilberforce, Ohio, as well as other selected locations. Students have opportunities to enroll for intensives throughout the year, during which six to 10 intensives are offered. We are mindful of the travel cost to students, as well as the fact that many work full-time and need to use accrued vacation time to attend these intensives; therefore, we make a concerted effort to schedule intensives to include weekends and to run back-to-back.

**Note: The following classes are not taught online. You must travel to complete these required courses:**

CM303 Ministerial Sexual Ethics (regular term or summer intensive)

TS342 Introduction to Womanist Theology (spring intensive)

CM350 The Daniel Payne Lecture Series: Church Administration & Leadership (fall intensive)

CM102 Pulpit Communications I (regular term or intensive)

CM150 Spiritual Formation (summer intensive)

CM243 The Biology of HIV/AIDS (spring intensive)

### **Graduation Requirements**

There are five critical requirements for graduation from the Master of Divinity degree. The student must:

1. Receive a cumulative Grade Point Average of at least 2.5 in 90 semester hours of course work. (These hours must include the Required Courses listed below);
2. Satisfactorily complete the Senior Seminar;
3. Fulfill all financial responsibilities;
4. Have an assessment of eligibility and recommendation by Academic Dean; and
5. Complete the Petition to Graduate



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## Registration Process

The Payne registration process is facilitated through the Student Information System (SIS).

The Student Information System is a software application used to manage student data. Within SIS you are able to access:

- Registration
- BIO information
- Billing
- Ledger (Breakdown of tuition fees)
- Semester Schedule
- Degree Audit (Breakdown of Curriculum Plan)
- Booklist



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## Academic Calendar (Spring / Summer 2015)

<b>Spring 2015</b>	
1/5/2015	Spring Semester Begins
1/5/15	Online Session I Begins
1/5/15 to 1/18/15	Online Session I Drop/Add Period
<b>January 19, 2015</b>	<b>Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday</b>
2/2/15	Residential Session Begins
2/2/15 to 2/15/15	Residential Session Drop/Add Period
2/8/15	Last Day to Drop Online Session I with "W"
3/8/15	Last Day to Drop Residential Session with "W"
3/13/15	Online Session I Ends
3/16/15	Online Session II Begins
3/16/15 to 3/29/15	Online Session II Drop/Add Period
4/1/15	Summer Registration Begins
March 30 to April 3, 2015	Spring Break - Residential Campus
<b>April 3-6, 2015</b>	<b>Good Friday and Easter Monday</b>
4/19/15	Last Day to Drop Online Session II with "W"
4/30/15	Summer Registration Ends
TBD	Commencement
5/22/15	Online Session II Ends
5/22/15	Residential Session Ends
5/22/15	Spring Semester Ends
<b>Summer 2015</b>	
<b>5/25/2015</b>	<b>Memorial Day</b>
5/26/15	Summer Semester Begins
6/1/15	Fall Registration Begins
6/30/15	Fall Registration Ends
<b>7/3/2015</b>	<b>Independence Day (Observed)</b>
TBD	Tawawa
7/17/15	Summer Semester Ends