

**Dominican School of Philosophy & Theology**  
**Master of Divinity and Concurrent Master of Divinity/Master of Arts (Theology)**  
**Program Requirements Checklist**

Student: \_\_\_\_\_

Advisor: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of checklist review: \_\_\_\_\_

MDiv Only ||  MDiv/MATh Thesis Option ||  MDiv/MATh Exam Option

*Both the student and the advisor should review this form each semester in conjunction with the Portfolio Checklist.*

Prior to the first day of the last semester of the student’s program, the student must confer with his/her academic advisor and complete the “Intent to Graduate” form, submitting it along with an updated program checklist **plus** any petitions, waivers, etc. See the *DSPT Student Handbook* for details on all program requirements.

**Preparatory Coursework:** The MDiv program presupposes a basic foundation in philosophy. All MDiv students are encouraged to take the first six courses (18 units). Student friars of the Western Dominican Province (WDP) must take those courses, plus the additional four courses (for a total of 30 units) to fulfill requirements for the Province’s *Ratio Studiorum Particularis*. Any alternate courses require the approval of the academic advisor and the Academic Dean.

**MDiv Philosophy Prerequisites: History of Philosophy and Systematic Philosophy** (all courses)

Semester	Course No.	Course Title	Units	Alternate Course No.	Alternate Title	Grade
	PHHS 1050	History of Ancient Philosophy	3.0			
	PHHS 1051	History of Philosophy: Medieval	3.0			
	PH 2000	History of Modern Philosophy	3.0			
	PH 2001	History of Contemporary Phil	3.0			
	PH 1056	Philosophy of Nature	3.0			
	PH 2040	Philosophical Anthropology	3.0			

**Further requirements of the WDP’s Ratio Studiorum Particularis: Systematic Philosophy** (all courses)

Semester	Course No.	Course Title	Units	Alternate Course No.	Alternate Title	Grade
	PH 1115	Aristotelian Logic	3.0			
	PH 1009	Philosophical Ethics	3.0			
	PH 1065	Theory of Knowledge	3.0			
	PH 2050	Metaphysics	3.0			

**Required Theology Coursework.** The MDiv program requires 72 semester units of coursework, with an overall GPA of at least 2.3, as outlined below. While it can be completed in three years, students of the WDP, and those from other religious institutes following an equivalent curriculum, the requirements are fulfilled over a longer period. The degree requirements are listed below.

**Sacred Scripture Courses.** 18 units: Intro to Sacred Scripture plus any five of the six listed Intermediate MDiv Scripture courses.

Semester	Course No.	Course Title	Units	Alternate Course No.	Alternate Title	Grade
	BS 1560	Intro to Sacred Scripture	3.0			
	OT 2098	Pentateuch & Histories	3.0			
	OT 2149	Prophets	3.0			
	OT 2600	Wisdom Literature	3.0			
	NTBS 2550	The Gospels	3.0			
	NT 2526	Pauline Literature	3.0			
	NT2531	Acts, Catholic Epistles, & Revelation	3.0			

**History of the Church Courses.** Thesis or Exam Option: 6 units (both courses).

Semester	Course No.	Course Title	Units	Alternate Course No.	Alternate Title	Grade
	HS 1105	Church History I	3.0			
	HS 2195	Church History II	3.0			

**Systematic Theology Courses.** 18 units (all courses).

Semester	Course No.	Course Title	Units	Alternate Course No.	Alternate Title	Grade
	ST 1091	Theology: Nature & Method	3.0			
	ST 2300	Trinity	3.0			
	ST 3128	Theological Anthropology	3.0			
	ST 2232	Hist. Development of Christology	3.0			
	STSP 3036	Ecclesiology: Foundations	3.0			
	ST 3067	Theology of Sacraments	3.0			

**Moral Theology/Christian Ethics Courses.** 9 units (all courses).

Semester	Course No.	Course Title	Units	Alternate Course No.	Alternate Title	Grade
	CE 2045	Fundamental Moral Theology	3.0			
	CE 2003	Roman Catholic Sexual Ethics	3.0			
	CE 3050	Catholic Social Teaching	3.0			

**Pastoral Theology.** 21 units (all courses).

Semester	Course No.	Course Title	Units	Alternate Course No.	Alternate Title	Grade
	HM 1073	Foundations of Preaching	3.0			
	PS 1016	Pastoral Counseling	3.0			
	FE 1021	Field Education Level I, Part 1	0.0			
	FE 1022	Field Education Level I, Part 2	1.5			
	FE 2021	Pastoral Ministry Internship Part 1	1.5			
	FE 2022	Pastoral Ministry Internship Part 2	1.5			
	FE 3021	Field Education Level III, Part 1	0.0			
	FE 3022	Field Education Level III, Part 2	0.0			
	FE 3023	Field Education Level III, Part 3	0.0			
	FE 3024	Field Education Level III, Part 4	1.5			
	LSRA 1500	Foundations of Catholic Liturgy	3.0			
	FTST 2336	Canon Law: Intro & Marriage	3.0			
	CEFT 2000	Confessional Ministry	1.5			
	LSFT 2404	Celebration of the Sacraments	1.5			

**Ordination Exams.** MDiv students from the WDP, and those from other religious institutes following an equivalent curriculum, must successfully pass comprehensive oral exams for **all three** of the following:

Diaconate,  Priesthood,  Confessional Faculties || **OR:** Date to be completed: \_\_\_\_\_

**Complementary Curriculum.** 15 units. In addition to the requirements for the MDiv degree program, the complementary curriculum allows clerical students to complete the four years of theological study canonically required for ordination in the Roman Catholic Church as outlined in the Program of Priestly Formation (PPF) and the formation documents of the Western Dominican Province. Students take an additional 15 units of coursework as follows: 3 units in Sacred Scripture, 9 units in systematic theology, and a 3 unit preaching course. The Scripture course entered below\* must be whichever of the six Intermediate MDiv Scripture courses is *not* included (above) for the MDiv degree.

Semester	Course No.	Course Title	Units	Alternate Course No.	Alternate Title	Grade
		<i>Scripture*</i> :	3.0			
	STPH 3095	One Creator God	3.0			
	ST 3115	Contemporary Christology	3.0			
	ST 3071	Sacraments: Eucharist & Orders	3.0			
	HM 2230	Liturgical Preaching	3.0			

## Concurrent Master of Divinity/Master of Arts (Theology) Program

Students accepted into a concurrent MDiv/MATh program can complete both degrees in a four-year period. Students completing all the prerequisites and requirements for the MDiv degree thereby complete the core and distribution requirements for the MATh degree (except for the Interreligious or non-Christian Religion requirement). The student must attain an overall GPA of at least 3.0, and each core course for the MATh must have a grade of “B” (3.0) or better. In addition to the those requirements, students must complete the MATh requirements, including 24 additional units (coursework + Research & Writing Credit), as indicated below.

**Interreligious or non-Christian Religion elective Course.** Thesis or Exam Option: **3** units.

Semester	Course No.	Course Title	Units	School	Grade
			3.0		

**Elective Courses.** Thesis Option: **15** units (5 courses); Exam Option: **18** units (6 courses). In consultation with their advisor, students must choose an area of concentration from those listed at the DSPT website, taking a total of four courses in this area (any combination of core requirements & electives). Exam Option students choose two other courses, from a different area, for the Exam in a Required Area. Students may choose electives outside theology areas – normally, not more than two courses (6 units), with the approval of the advisor. Exceptions need the approval of the Academic Dean. At least two courses, preferably in the area of concentration, must be taken at the advanced (4000) level. Courses taken to fulfill the language requirement, including courses taken to prepare a student for the GTU language exam, cannot be counted as fulfilling elective requirements. Certain advanced-level language courses designed to equip MA students for future research, however, may be counted as electives in some circumstances; students must petition the Academic Dean for approval of such coursework as electives for the degree. Students completing all MDiv requirements may use any of the units from the Complementary Curriculum to fulfill these MATh elective requirements.

Semester	Course No.	Course Title	Units	School	Grade

**Two Courses at the Advanced (4000+) Level:** From the courses entered above, list 2 courses that fulfill this requirement.

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**Area of Concentration (AC):** \_\_\_\_\_

From the courses entered above (pp. 2-3), list below the four courses that fulfill this area requirement. Note that certain areas have special requirements; see the Student Handbook for details.

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**THESIS OPTION ONLY**

**Research Readiness Paper**

Date (mm/yyyy)	Topic or Abbreviated Title	Professor who reviewed	Course No.	Grade

**Foreign Language Proficiency Certification**

Language: \_\_\_\_\_ Date Fulfilled (mm/dd/yyyy): \_\_\_\_\_

Method (GTU exam, coursework, etc.): \_\_\_\_\_

**Research & Writing Credit: 6 units total**

Semester	Course No.	Title	Units	School	Grade
	WS 1000	Academic Research & Writing Salon 1	1.5	DSPT	
	WS 1001	Academic Research & Writing Salon 2	1.5	DSPT	
	MA 5000	In Thesis	3.0	DSPT	

Date of Thesis Proposal approval (mm/yyyy): \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Presentation at MA Colloquium (mm/yyyy): \_\_\_\_\_

Projected (  ) or actual (  ) Thesis Defense date (mm/yyyy): \_\_\_\_\_

**EXAM OPTION ONLY**

**Research Readiness Paper and Capstone Research Paper.** Both are required; at least one must be in the Area of Concentration (AC).

Paper	Date (mm/yyyy)	Topic or Abbreviated Title	Professor who reviewed	Course No. (as applicable)	In AC?	Grade
RRP						
Capstone						

**Area for Exam in a Required Area** (distinct from AC):  Biblical Studies ||  Systematic Theology ||  Moral Theology

**Two Courses for Examination** (selected with approval of the advisor):

Projected (  ) or actual (  ) date for Exam in a Required Area (mm/yyyy): \_\_\_\_\_

**Research & Writing Credit: 3 units total**

Semester	Course No.	Title	Units	School	Grade
	MA-5401	MA Colloquium Part 1 of 2	1.5	DSPT	
	MA-5402	MA Colloquium Part 2 of 2	1.5	DSPT	