

Dominican School of Philosophy & Theology
Master of Arts (Theology): Program Requirements Checklist

Student: _____

Advisor: _____

Date of review of checklist: _____ Thesis Option || 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 this checklist (updated) plus any petitions, waivers, etc. See the DSPT Student Handbook for details on all program requirements.

Program Requirements: 48 units total are required, with an overall GPA of at least 3.0. Each core course must have a grade of “B” (3.0) or better. In the both Options, 42 units of coursework + 6 units of Research & Writing Credit are required. The student must choose a primary area of concentration (Primary Concentration or PC) from those listed at the DSPT website, taking at least four courses in the PC; these may come from core courses &/or electives. No more than 24 units of the coursework may be taken at the introductory (1000) level. At least 2 courses, preferably in the PC, must be taken at the advanced (4000+) level. At least one-third of the courses must be taken at DSPT. In some cases, the particular concentration requires specific courses as specified in the *Student Handbook*. Variances require the approval of the academic advisor and the Academic Dean.

Philosophical Studies Courses. Thesis or Exam Option: 6 units (both courses).

Semester	Course No.	Course Title	Units	Alternate Course No.	Alternate Title	Grade
	PH 1009	Philosophical Ethics	3.0			
	PH 2050	Metaphysics	3.0			

Biblical Studies Courses. Thesis Option: 3 units (Intro to Sacred Scripture); Exam Option: 6 units (Intro to Sacred Scripture + one other course coded BS, OT, or NT). N.B.: Courses in Biblical languages or Latin, even those containing the BS area designation, do not fulfill this core requirement.

Semester	Course No.	Course Title	Units	Alternate Course No.	Alternate Title	Grade
	BS 1560	Intro to Sacred Scripture	3.0			
			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 1196	Church History I: 1 st c. to 15 th c.	3.0			
	HS 2196	Church History II: 15 th c. to 21 st c.	3.0			

Systematic Theology Courses. Thesis Option: 3 units (Theology: Nature & Method); Exam Option: 6 units (Theology: Nature & Method + one other course coded ST).

Semester	Course No.	Course Title	Units	Alternate Course No.	Alternate Title	Grade
	ST 1091	Theology: Nature & Method	3.0			
			3.0	_____	_____	

Moral Theology/Christian Ethics Courses. Thesis Option: 3 units (Fundamental Moral Theology); **Exam Option: 6 units** (Fundamental Moral Theology + one other course coded CE).

Semester	Course No.	Course Title	Units	Alternate Course No.	Alternate Title	Grade
	CE 2045	Fundamental Moral Theology	3.0			
			3.0	_____	_____	

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

Semester	Course No.	Course Title	Units	School	Grade
			3.0		

Research & Writing Credit: 6 units total

Semester	Course No.	Title	Units	School	Grade
	MA 1901	Academic Forum Intro 1	1.5	DSPT	
	MA 1902	Academic Forum Intro 2	1.5	DSPT	
	MA 4901	Academic Forum Capstone 1	1.5	DSPT	
	MA 4902	Academic Forum Capstone 2	1.5	DSPT	

Elective Courses. Thesis Option: 18 units (6 courses); **Exam Option: 9 units** (3 courses). In consultation with their advisor, students may choose electives outside theology areas – normally, not more than two courses (6 units). All these are subject to the approval of the academic advisor. Exceptions need the approval of the Academic Dean. Courses taken to fulfill the language requirement, including courses taken to prepare a student for the GTU language exam, cannot be counted as electives toward completing course requirements of degree programs. 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 graduate electives.

Semester	Course No.	Course Title	Units	School	Grade

Two Courses at the Advanced (4000+) Level: From the coursework entered above (pp. 1-2), list (on the lines below) **two courses** that fulfill this requirement.

Primary Concentration (PC): _____

From the coursework entered above (pp. 1-2), list (on the lines below) **four courses** in the Primary Concentration. Note that certain areas of concentration have special requirements; see the Student Handbook for details.

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.): _____

Date of Thesis Proposal approval (mm/yyyy): _____

Date of Presentation at Academic Forum Capstone (mm/yyyy): _____

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

EXAM OPTION ONLY

Research Readiness Paper and **Capstone Research Paper**. Each is required; at least one must be in the Primary Concentration (PC).

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

Secondary Concentration (*distinct from PC*): Biblical Studies || Systematic Theology || Moral Theology

Two Courses in the Secondary Concentration for MATH Capstone Exam (*selected with approval of the advisor*):

Projected () or actual () date for MATH Capstone Exam (mm/yyyy): _____