Master of Arts (Theology) Spring 2020

ATS Degree Program Goals for Standard D Degrees – The goals an institution adopts for these degree programs should include the attainment of a survey knowledge of various theological disciplines, or focused knowledge in a specific discipline, or interdisciplinary knowledge. Achievement of student learning outcomes for these degrees shall contribute to meeting these programmatic goals.

Student Learning Objective 1: Students will demonstrate their understanding of and ability to interpret and communicate biblical, theological, and historical truth.

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Measures	Baseline	Results Last Faculty Jury	Results Last Year/ Improvement	Current Benchmarks (set May 2018) New Benchmarks (TBD during May 2020 juries)	Action Plan Steps to Achieve the New Benchmark (TBD during May 2020 juries)
		DIREC	T MEASURES		
 Embedded Assignments Systematic Theology I (combined average Spring, Summer, Fall 2018-2019) 	• 3.20 out of 4.0	• 2.94 (2015) • 3.49 (2018)	• 3.25/ +0.05	• 3.20/_3.20	
History of Christianity (combined average Spring, Summer, Fall 2018-2019)	• 3.35 out of 4.0	• 3.52 (2015) • 3.08 (2018)	• 3.32/-0.03	• 3.35/_3.35	
Christian Ethics (combined average Spring, Summer, Fall 2018-2019)	• 3.10 out of 4.0	• 2.53 (2015) • 3.03 (2018)	• 2.95/-0.15	• 3.10/_3.10	
• Intermediate Greek (combined average Spring, Summer, Fall 2018-2019)	• 3.30 out of 4.0	• 3.76 (2015) • 3.51 (2018)	• N/A	• 3.50/N/A	Replace Intermediate Greek with Hermeneutics
 THSE6300 Research and Writing Seminar Summative Writing Assignment (combined average Fall 2018/2019) 	• 3.10 out of 4.0	• 3.73 (2015) • 3.42 (2018)	• 3.81/+0.71	• 3.10/_3.20	Use fo writing center may be s source of improvement on outcome

INDIRECT MEASURES						
• Questions 2, 6, 7 (combined average from T&H courses Spring, Summer, Fall 2018-2019)	• N/A (2015) • 91.7% (2018)	• 91%/+5%	• 86%/87%			

Student Learning Objective 2: Students will demonstrate an awareness of the broader Christian tradition and affinity for a Baptist theological heritage.

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		DIREC	T MEASURES		
 Embedded Assignments Systematic Theology I (combined average Spring, Summer, Fall 2018-2019) 	• 3.20 out of 4.0	• 2.94 (2015) • 3.49 (2018)	• 3.25/ +0.05	• 3.20/_3.20	Consider Deleting SLO 2 sice it an easily be measured by SLO 1
History of Christianity (combined average Spring, Summer, Fall 2018-2019)	• 3.35 out of 4.0	• 3.52 (2015) • 3.08 (2018)	• 3.32/-0.03	• 3.35/_3.35	
THSE6300 Theological Research and Writing Seminar • Summative Writing Assignment (combined average Fall 2018/2019)	• 3.10 out of 4.0	• 3.73 (2015) • 3.42 (2018)	• 3.81/ +0.71	• 3.10/3.20	
		INDIRE	CT MEASURES		
 Student Evaluations Questions 2, 6, 7 (combined average from T&H courses Spring, Summer, Fall 2018-2019) 	• 86% overall average	• N/A (2015) • 91.7% (2018)	• 91%/+5%	• 86%/87%	
 Degree Program Survey Core Competencies: Christian Theological Heritage (Spring, Summer, Fall 2018-2019) 	• 81% respond with 4-5 on Likert scale	• N/A (2015) • 83.7% (2018)	• 89.5% respond with 4-5 on Likert scale/+8.5%	• 80%/_81%	

Student Learning Objective 3: Students will demonstrate an ability to contextualize theology in their respective cultural and ecclesial settings.

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		DIREC	T MEASURES		
 Embedded Assignments Systematic Theology I (combined average Spring, Summer, Fall 2018-2019) 	• 3.20 out of 4.0	• 2.94 (2015) • 3.49 (2018)	• 3.25/ +0.05	• 3.20/_3.20	
History of Christianity (combined average Spring, Summer, Fall 2018-2019)	• 3.35 out of 4.0	• 3.52 (2015) • 3.08 (2018)	• 3.32/-0.03	• 3.35/_3.35	
Christian Ethics (combined average Spring, Summer, Fall 2018-2019)	• 3.10 out of 4.0	• 2.53 (2015) • 3.13 (2018)	• 2.95/ -0.15	• 3.10/_3.10	
THSE6300 Theological Research and Writing Seminar • Summative Writing Assignment (combined average Fall 2018/2019)	• 3.10 out of 4.0	• 3.73 (2015) • 3.42 (2018)	• 3.81/ +0.71	• 3.10/_3.20	
		INDIRE	CT MEASURES		
• Questions 2, 6 (combined average from T&H courses Spring, Summer, Fall 2018-2019)	• 86% overall average	• N/A (2015) • 92% (2018)	• 92%/ +6%	• 86%/_87%	We are exceeding the National expectation for this degree
Noel-Levitz • Question 4 (combined average from MA(TH) core courses Spring, Summer, Fall 2018-2019)	• 6.21 out of 7.0	• 6.00 (2015) • 6.21 (2018)	• 6.16 (2019)/- 0.05 • 6.34 (2020)/+ 0.14	• 6.21/_6.21	

Student Learning Objective 4: Students will show personal and spiritual maturation in their development as Christian theologians.

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 Embedded Assignments Systematic Theology I (combined average Spring, 	• 3.20 out of 4.0	• 2.94 (2015) • 3.49 (2018)	• 3.25/ +0.05	• 3.20/_3.20	Consider Deleting SLO 4 since it
 Summer, Fall 2018-2019) History of Christianity (combined average Spring, Summer, Fall 2018-2019) 	• 3.35 out of 4.0	• 3.52 (2015) • 3.08 (2018)	• 3.32/-0.03	• 3.35/_3.35	does not match the emphasis of the Academic Nature of Degree
• Christian Ethics (combined average Spring, Summer, Fall 2018-2019)	• 3.10 out of 4.0	• 2.53 (2015) • 3.13 (2018)	• 2.95/ -0.15	• 3.10/_3.10	
THSE6300 Theological Research and Writing Seminar • Summative Writing Assignment (combined average Fall 2018/2019)	• 3.10 out of 4.0	• 3.73 (2015) • 3.42 (2018)	• 3.81/+0.71	• 3.10/_3.20	
		INDIREC	CT MEASURES		
 Student Evaluations Questions 6, 7, 9 (combined average from T&H courses Spring, Summer, Fall 2018-2019) 	• 86% overall average	• N/A (2015) • 90.7% (2018)	• 90.7%/ +4.7%	• 85%/_86%	
Noel-Levitz • Question 62 Degree Program Survey	• 6.41	• 6.38 (2015) • 6.49 (2018)	• 6.42(2019)/ +0.01 • 6.52(2019)/ +0.11	• 6.41/_6.42	Move Q62 to SLO3
• Core Competencies: Spiritual/Character Formation (Spring, Summer, Fall 2018-2019)	• 81% respond with 4-5 on Likert scale	• N/A (2015) • 87.1% (2018)	• 88.6% respond with 4-5 on Likert scale/+7.6%	• 80%/81%	

Student Learning Objective 5: Students will demonstrate effective skills in research and writing.

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		DIREC	T MEASURES			
THSE6300 Theological Research and Writing Seminar • Summative Writing Assignment (combined average Fall 2018/2019) • Initial Writing Sample for Admission	• 3.10 out of 4.0 • 80% show improvement across all three domains	• 3.73 (2015) • 3.42 (2018) • N/A (2015) • 100% (2018)	• 3.81/+0.71 • 100% show improvement across all three domains/+20%	• 3.10/_3.20 • 80%/85%	Restructure Language of report to better reflect the SLO in light of the THSE is the only course in this SLO	
INDIRECT MEASURES						
 Student Evaluations Questions 2, 21, (combined average from T&H courses Spring, Summer, Fall 2018-2019) 	• 86% overall average	• N/A (2015) • 87% (2018)	• 87%/ +1%	• 85%/_86%		