

DOCTOR OF EDUCATION

ThM Information



NEW ORLEANS
BAPTIST THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY

ThM Requirements and Assessment

Students are required to register for the ThM Portfolio course (RDOC 9110) during the doctoral registration period.

ThM Portfolio Students who successfully complete all required coursework may submit a writing portfolio to receive a ThM degree. The portfolio will demonstrate the student met the workload to earn a ThM.

Required coursework includes:

- Intro to Research & Writing (3 hours)
- 4 9000 Level Seminars (16 hours)
- Mentored Reading (3 hours)
- Integrated Mentorship I (3 hours)
- ThM Portfolio (1 hour)

Students who received a stand-alone ThM prior to entering the EdD program are exempt and are not required to submit a portfolio. Students who do not have a ThM are required to submit a portfolio and receive the ThM.

ThM Portfolio

ThM students should compile their portfolio as PDF files within a OneDrive folder.

- The folder should include a copy of all seminar papers, book reviews, and any other written work completed during coursework (the student does NOT need to include work from the reading seminar or supervised mentorship courses).
- The OneDrive folder should be organized accordingly and must indicate what seminar or course the paper was written for and the grade earned on the assignment (students should download their graded assignments from Canvas to keep track; for students compiling a portfolio during the transition from BlackBoard to Canvas, grades may have been lost and in such cases the student is exempt from including the grade).
- The portfolio should also include a one- or two-page written self-evaluation of the student's progress and reflections on what they learned in the seminars.

Students should submit the portfolio to CANVAS and make the folder visible to anyone with the link. An assessment of the portfolio will involve an interview with the EdD Director and the supervisor (or a faculty member from the division). Upon approval of the portfolio, the student will receive a ThM at graduation.

ThM Deadlines

ThM Portfolios must be submitted by October 1 (for Dec graduation) or March 1 (for May graduation). Students should apply for graduation by the given deadlines in January and August. After submission, the EdD office will reach out to students to schedule the portfolio interview with the EdD Director and the student's supervisor. Supervisors will complete the ThM Portfolio and Evaluation Form together with the EdD Director after the portfolio interview.