

Master of Arts (Religion)



Seventh-day Adventist
Theological Seminary
Andrews University



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This is a 38-50 credit academic doctoral preparation program offered on the main campus of Andrews University. The program offers a 2-3 year program with specialized study in nine areas of concentration. Applicants who complete this program will be prepared to act as teachers, church workers or church administrators in the areas of biblical studies, theology, and religious tradition beyond the bachelor degree. The program requires a thesis/project and may reflect context-sensitive needs in its curriculum. Only 500-600 level courses can be used for the completion of this program.

Masters of Art (Religion) Track Program Courses	
GSEM620 Research Methods	3
OTSTXXX Old Testament Exegesis (Prerequisite: Intermediate Hebrew Placement Exam or OTST552)	3
NTSTXXX New Testament Exegesis (Prerequisite: Intermediate Greek Placement Exam or NTST552)	3
THST619 Principles and Methods of Theology (Prerequisite: GSEM620 – Research Methods)	3
CHIS674 Development of Seventh-day Adventist Theology (Prerequisite: CHIS504 – Adventist Heritage (3 credits, satisfied in prerequisite course requirements for the degree)).	3
Total Core Credits	15
Area of Concentration	
Archaeology and History of Antiquity, Biblical and Cognate Languages, Church History, Intertestamental (Jewish) Studies, Jewish and Muslim Faiths, Mission Studies, New Testament Studies, Old Testament, Theological Studies.	
Total Concentration Credits	18
Research Requirement	
GSEM 697 Thesis for MA Degree OR	
GSEM 695 Research Project	
Total Thesis/Project Credits	5

PROGRAM OUTCOMES

1. Conduct effective research that communicates competence in a specialized field of study.
2. Practice a biblically grounded approach to scholarly inquiry.
3. Articulate theology and research in terms of Seventh-day Adventist, history, beliefs and practice.
4. Demonstrate understanding of the content and central issues of the specialized field of study.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS:

Prerequisites. Applicants must provide a transcript showing that they have taken the following courses at the undergraduate level with a GPA of 3.00 or better (on a 4.00 system). Prerequisites do not count as part of the 38 credits required for the MA (Religion) degree.

16PF - Personality Profile

GRE - Score of 140, 140, 3.0

COURSE PREREQUISITES - 2 CREDITS EACH

- Church History
- New Testament Studies
- Old Testament Studies
- Theological Studies
- E.G. White Writings
- Adventist History

LANGUAGE REQUIREMENTS -IF REQUIRED

The applicant must meet the English proficiency requirements of the School of Graduate Studies and Research, if the program will be completed online or if the language of instruction is in English.

Greek - Intermediate Level

Hebrew - Intermediate Level

French or German - Intermediate Level

ENGLISH PROFICIENCY TEST

MINIMUM SCORES REQUIRED

Internet-based TOEFL (iBT)	80
Paper-based TOEFL (ITP)	550
IELTS (Academic)	6.5
PTE (Academic)	54

Program Time Limit - 6 years

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