

Student Name: _____ ID # _____

Advisor Name: _____ Anticipated Graduation Date: _____

MASTER OF ARTS IN BIBLICAL STUDIES & CHRISTIAN THOUGHT CHECKLIST (30 s.h.) 2024-25 Academic Calendar

Program Requirements (9 s.h.)

| ✓ | COURSE | S.H. | NOTES | ✓ | COURSE | S.H. | NOTES |
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| | RELS 611 | 3 | | | RELS 661 | 3 | |
| | RELS 621 | 3 | | | | | |

☐ Thesis Track (21 s.h.)

| ✓ | COURSE | S.H. | NOTES | ✓ | COURSE | S.H. | NOTES |
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| | RELS _____ | 3 | Choose two language courses in stream* | | RELS 690 | 1 | |
| | RELS _____ | 3 | | | RELS 691 | 4 | |
| | RELS _____ | 3 | Choose any two 600-level courses in stream. | | RELS 692 | 4 | |
| | RELS _____ | 3 | | *Unless already acquired prior to admission, in which case take two other courses in stream. | | | |

☐ Major Paper Track* (21 s.h.)

| ✓ | COURSE | S.H. | NOTES | ✓ | COURSE | S.H. | NOTES |
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| | RELS _____ | 3 | Choose any four courses in stream (two language courses strongly recommended). | | RELS _____ | 3 | Choose an elective. |
| | RELS _____ | 3 | | | RELS 690 | 1 | |
| | RELS _____ | 3 | | | RELS 694 | 5 | |
| | RELS _____ | 3 | | *All courses must be 600-level except for languages. | | | |

☐ Course Work Track* (21 s.h.)

| ✓ | COURSE | S.H. | NOTES | ✓ | COURSE | S.H. | NOTES |
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| | RELS _____ | 3 | Choose any five courses in stream (two language courses are recommended). | | RELS _____ | 3 | Choose two electives. |
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Streams

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Old Testament (OT) | <input type="checkbox"/> New Testament (NT) | <input type="checkbox"/> Christian Thought (CT) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Biblical Backgrounds (BB) | <input type="checkbox"/> Biblical & Related Languages (BRL) | |

Course List

| Course | Course Name | Stream | Course | Course Name | Stream |
|----------|---|-----------------|----------|--------------------------------------|---------------------|
| RELS 500 | Principles of Biblical Interpretation | OT, NT, CT | RELS 612 | Advanced Old Testament Seminar | OT, NT, CT, BB |
| RELS 577 | New Testament Canon: Development and Theology | NT, CT | RELS 621 | Advanced New Testament Exegesis | OT, NT, CT, BB |
| RELS 611 | Advanced Old Testament Exegesis | OT, NT, CT, BB | RELS 622 | Advanced New Testament Seminar | OT, NT, CT, BB |
| RELS 520 | Dead Sea Scrolls | BB | RELS 631 | The Deuteronomistic History | OT |
| RELS 521 | Biblical and Ecclesiastical Latin | CT | RELS 632 | Historical Jesus | NT |
| RELS 522 | Biblical and Ecclesiastical Latin | CT | RELS 633 | Themes of the Pentateuch | OT |
| RELS 523 | Apocalyptic Literature | NT | RELS 634 | Mark | NT |
| RELS 525 | Pauline Theology | NT | RELS 640 | Advanced Greek Readings | BRL |
| RELS 528 | Elementary New Testament Greek | BRL, NT, BB. | RELS 641 | Isaiah | OT |
| RELS 529 | Elementary New Testament Greek | BRL, NT, BB. | RELS 642 | Romans | NT |
| RELS 531 | Readings in the Greek New Testament | BRL, NT, CT, BB | RELS 643 | Psalms | OT |
| RELS 532 | Readings in the Greek New Testament | BRL, NT, CT, BB | RELS 644 | John | NT |
| RELS 537 | Readings in the Hebrew Bible | BRL, OT, BB | RELS 645 | Wisdom Literature | OT |
| RELS 538 | Readings in the Hebrew Bible | BRL, OT, BB | RELS 647 | The Dead Sea Scrolls | BB |
| RELS 540 | Issues in Biblical Theology | OT, NT | RELS 648 | Advanced Greek Studies | BRL |
| RELS 541 | The Pentateuch | OT | RELS 649 | Rabbinic Literature | BRL, BB |
| RELS 542 | Psalms and Wisdom Literature | OT | RELS 650 | Introduction to Biblical Archaeology | BB |
| RELS 545 | Elementary Hebrew | BRL, OT, BB | RELS 652 | Syriac | BRL |
| RELS 546 | Hebrew Prophets | OT | RELS 655 | Introduction to Aramaic | BRL |
| RELS 548 | Ancient Near East and Old Testament | OT, BB | RELS 656 | Readings in Aramaic | BRL |
| RELS 549 | Old Testament Seminar | OT | RELS 658 | Mishnaic and Qumranic Hebrew | BRL |
| RELS 551 | Life and Teachings of Jesus | NT | RELS 660 | Bib. Interp. in the 16th Century | CT |
| RELS 552 | Life and Letters of Paul | NT | RELS 661 | History of Christian Doctrine | CT |
| RELS 553 | The Synoptic Gospels and Acts | NT | RELS 662 | Early & Medieval Christian Thought | CT |
| RELS 554 | The Johannine Writings | NT | RELS 663 | Reformation Thought | CT |
| RELS 556 | New Testament Seminar | NT | RELS 664 | Modern Christian Thought | CT |
| RELS 561 | History of Christianity I | CT | RELS 670 | Pre-Nicene Christianity | NT, CT |
| RELS 562 | History of Christianity II | CT | RELS 671 | Development of Christian Doctrine | OT, NT, CT |
| RELS 565 | Influential Thinkers in the Christian Tradition | CT | RELS 675 | Method in Theology | NT, CT |
| RELS 566 | The Church Fathers | CT | RELS 677 | Theologies of Liberation | CT |
| RELS 567 | The Theology of Karl Barth | CT | RELS 680 | Additional Topics | OT, NT, CT, BB, BRL |
| RELS 575 | Christianity and Culture | CT | RELS 681 | Special Topics in Christian Thought | CT |
| RELS 576 | Christian Worldviews in Historical and Cultural Context | CT | | | |

NOTES:

- Most language courses offered are 500-level, but these can still fulfill the language requirements for the Thesis and Major Paper tracks.
- A total of 30 s.h. are required to complete this degree. Students must have a minimum overall (cumulative) GPA of 3.0, and courses for which the final grade falls below a B- are not counted towards graduation.
- [Apply for Graduation](#) by January 31 (for spring graduation) or August 31 (for fall graduation) of the year you plan to graduate in. For more information on the graduation process, please visit twu.ca/graduation.

This program is offered under TWU's exempt status with the Degree Quality Assessment Board.

THIS CHECKLIST IS INTENDED TO ASSIST STUDENTS AND ADVISORS IN ENSURING THAT ALL REQUIREMENTS ARE MET. IT IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE **STUDENT** TO MEET ALL REQUIREMENTS.