

# MASTER OF THEOLOGICAL STUDIES

The Master of Theological Studies (MTS) is a **48-credit program** engaging students in rigorous study of the subdisciplines of theology (biblical studies, church history, systematic theology, ethics, practical theology, and spiritual formation). The purpose is to give focus to the full scope of Christian theology so that students will have breadth and depth in theological study preparing them for further graduate studies and teaching ministries. The degree program consists of core requirements in the different subdisciplines of theology with a research focus in a particular area of interest.

## 9 HOURS THEOLOGY

Each student is required to complete 3 courses with a THEO or CHST Prefix. A minimum of 3 hours is required in THEO and CHST. Each student must take THEO 500: Introduction to Christian Theology and CHST 500: Global Christian History, unless they have had the equivalent of these courses in their undergraduate program or by transfer from another recognized institution. If a student has had equivalent courses, they may take an upper level course to satisfy program requirements.

## 9 HOURS BIBLE

(MIN. 3 HOURS OF OT / NT)

Each student is required to complete 3 courses with a BIBL Prefix. A minimum of 3 hours is required in OT and NT. Each student must take BIBL 520: Biblical Theology, unless they have had the equivalent of this course in their undergraduate program or by transfer from another recognized institution. If a student has had an equivalent course, they may take an upper level BIBL course to satisfy program requirements.

## 6 HOURS PRACTICAL THEOLOGY (WSEM-501 + MISS-XXX)

Each student is required to take WSEM 501: Pastor, Church and World and then 3 hours in any course with a MISS Prefix.

## 6 HOURS SPIRITUAL FORMATION

Each student is required to take the following six 1-hour courses in spiritual formation:

- Self-Awareness for Personal Spiritual Formation
- Transformation for Spiritual Growth
- Spiritual Disciplines
- Planning and Spiritual Accountability
- Becoming Spiritually Whole
- Mentoring for Spiritual Growth

## 6 HOURS LANGUAGES

(SELECTED BASED ON RESEARCH TOPIC)

Each student is required to take 6 hours in a research language related to their Discipline.

## 6 HOURS ELECTIVES

(RELEVANT TO RESEARCH TOPIC)

Each student will specialize in a particular sub-discipline of theology by taking 6 additional hours in THEO, CHST, BIBL (in OT or NT focus), SPIR or areas in practical ministry.

## 6 HOURS RESEARCH

(RESEARCH COURSE + THESIS)

Each student will take one 3-hour Research Course in preparation of writing a thesis paper. This will be followed by 3 hours for the writing of the thesis. These two courses will be new to the seminary course offerings.



## ADMISSIONS REQUIREMENTS

1. A baccalaureate degree from a regionally accredited college or university, or an institution accredited by the Association for Biblical Higher Education with a 2.5 minimum cumulative grade-point average.
2. Official transcript from baccalaureate degree-granting institution.
3. Two completed Wesley Seminary Recommendation forms, including one from a pastor or denominational supervisor.
4. A three to four page autobiography and statement of ministry purpose. The statement of purpose should reflect one's sense of God's direction in relation to Christian ministry or service.
5. A Ministry Context form completed by the applicant.
6. Acknowledgement of the Wesley Seminary Ethos Statement.

## GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

- Degree requirements must be completed within six years of enrollment with a minimum grade of "C" in each course, and a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.5.
- Payment of all tuition and fees.



## FINANCIAL AID

For information about financial aid, call 866-498-4968 option 3, visit our financial aid website at [indwes.edu/admissions/tuition-aid/aid-options](http://indwes.edu/admissions/tuition-aid/aid-options), or email [IWUfinaid@indwes.edu](mailto:IWUfinaid@indwes.edu).

## TUITION AND FEES

After all application materials have been submitted and evaluated, an applicant will receive notification advising of his/her acceptance status.

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**TUITION AND FEES** (Books not included) for fiscal year July 1, 2024 - June 30, 2025

CLASSIFICATION	CREDIT HOURS	COST PER CREDIT HOUR	TUITION	EDUCATIONAL RESOURCE FEE	TECHNICAL FEE	GRADUATION FEE	TOTAL
Regular Tuition Rate*	48	\$551	\$26,448	\$40 per course (20 courses) = \$800	\$60 per course (20 courses) = \$1,200	\$100	\$28,548
Wesleyan Pastor**	48	\$451	\$21,648	\$40 per course (20 courses) = \$800	\$60 per course (20 courses) = \$1,200	\$100	\$23,748

\*All applicants can apply for needs-based tuition discounting; talk to a Program Representative in Seminary Admissions for more details.

\*\*A Wesleyan pastor is an individual who is under appointment through The Wesleyan Church.

NOTE: Books are purchased separately by the student and are not included in the tuition and fees.

The Educational Resource Fee of \$40 and the Tech Fee of \$60 are both charged per course (not per credit hour).

## PAYMENT

Costs are divided into several payments spread over the course of the program with the first tuition payment being due before the enrollment deadline. Payment varies based on the number of credit hours and fees. A payment schedule will be provided upon start of program.

- Tuition and fees are fixed based upon the charges in effect upon enrollment in the core program.
- A \$50 charge will be assessed for any payment not received by the due date.
- A \$15 charge will be assessed for each check returned for non-sufficient funds.
- Payment for the first class may be made online or over the phone by e-check, VISA, MasterCard, Discover or American Express. There is a service fee of 2.45% of the amount charged when using a credit card. For questions regarding payments, call 877-673-0009.

## RIGHT RESERVED TO CHANGE

The right is reserved to change any of the rules and regulations of the university at any time, including those relating to admission, instruction and graduation. The right to withdraw curricula and specific courses, alter course content, change the calendar, and impose or increase fees similarly is reserved.

## ACCREDITATION

Indiana Wesleyan University is accredited by the Higher Learning Commission and is a member of the North Central Association, [www.ncahigherlearningcommission.org](http://www.ncahigherlearningcommission.org), 800-621-7440.

Wesley Seminary is additionally accredited by the Association of Theological Schools, <http://www.ats.edu>.