

MTS Focus program

Divisional concentration requirements

1/24/18

Note: Students enrolled in a dual degree program are not eligible for MTS Focus. Such students will be MTS Core.

All students-

- 4 core courses total. One core course from each of the following areas:
 - History - CH 750 or 751
 - Bible (Old Testament) – OT 752
 - Bible (New Testament) – NT 754
 - Theology and Ethics - XTIANTHEO 755 or XTIANETH 757
- 1 core course requirement can be fulfilled by earning Advanced Placement in one of the above listed core courses. An upper-level elective must then be taken in place of the core course.
- Students may petition to have Religious studies courses fulfill specific requirements for the concentration, when courses are not available inside the Divinity school.

Biblical Division

- 8 courses for a concentration
- Concentration can be in Bible, Old Testament, or New Testament
- Reading course (NT or OT 701) is recommended, but is not required towards concentration
- If students have sufficient competence in Hebrew or Greek, they may request permission to take Hebrew or Greek exegesis courses in place of the introductory language courses.
- If students place out of OT 753, they must take an OT or NT elective in its place.

Bible	OT	NT
Core courses: OT 752 and NT 754	Core courses: OT 752 and NT 754	Core courses: OT 752 and NT 754
Hebrew/Greek Language not required	Introductory Hebrew (OT 760 and OT 761)	Introductory Greek (NT 760 and NT 761)
OT 753	OT 753	OT 753
3-English Exegesis courses (at least 1 NT and 1 OT)	2 Hebrew Exegesis courses	2 Greek Exegesis courses
2 electives (NT or OT)	1 Elective (NT or OT)	1 Elective (NT or OT)
	Introductory Greek recommended	Introductory Hebrew recommended

Historical Division

- 6 courses for a concentration
 - Core courses count towards the concentration
 - Need to be courses designated as CHURHST, HISTTHEO, AMXTIAN and/or WXTIAN, with the option of petition for certain courses from other divisions to count
 - Supportive of history courses from schools with which we have a cross-registration policy (e.g., UNC-CH)
- 2 options for a concentration:

1. General History concentration in which “History” appears on the transcript: the student is strongly advised to pursue a broad formation and take classes that cover a variety of time periods, geographical regions, and methodologies; flexibility is allowed for the student to discern a focus or particular interest
2. A more specifically named historical concentration
 - from the following options: Early Christianity, Early Modern Christianity, American Christianity, World Christianity or Eastern Christianity
 - this requires at least 3 courses in the specific historical concentration and 3 other CHURHST, HISTTHEO, AMXTIAN and/or WXTIAN, courses

Theological Division

- 6 courses for the concentration, named Theology & Ethics (no option for a more specific concentration)
- Core courses count towards the concentration
- On top of XTIANTHEO and XTIANETH courses, HISTTHEO courses may also count on a case-by-case basis through petition to the division chair.