Master of Theological Studies – Focus Program
First Semester Registration

This document is for use to guide you through registering for your first semester of classes. You will be assigned an academic advisor and will need to meet with that individual for future registration.

Registration:
Use DukeHub (dukehub.duke.edu) to register for classes. In order to access DukeHub you must use your NET ID and Password. Inside of DukeHub courses are organized alphabetically by course title/number. For example, Church History classes are designated CHURHST and are found under "C." Likewise, Parish classes are found under "P." There are no classes designated under "D" for Divinity. The University Registrar's Office has developed resources to help you navigate the system.

Introduction to DukeHub 2.0 (video)
How to Search for Classes (video)
How to Drop a Class (video)
Using Schedule Builder (video)

Students should critically assess which Focus track the student will concentrate in. The options are:

1. Bible
2. History
3. Theology & Ethics

Please see the Forms and Paradigms section of the website for the MTS Focus paradigm. This will guide you in your course selection. MTS Focus students should be aware that some core classes are offered only in the Fall semester and some are only in the Spring semester. These courses are:

Fall
- OLDTEST 752
- CHURHST 750
- XTIANTHE 755

Spring
- NEWTEST 754
- OLDTEST 753
- CHURHST 751
- XTIANETH 757

NB: To enroll in OLDTEST 752, select a precept section designated as 01P, 02P, etc. Once a precept section is selected it will enroll you into the lecture portion of the class. For all classes with precepts a student selects the precept to enroll in the class. The same goes for CHURHST 750 and XTIANTHE 755.

Enrolling in all three core courses will ensure the MTS Focus student is satisfying the three core class requirement for all students in the program. However, it leaves just one elective for the Fall semester. A student could decide to put one of the three courses listed above off to the following fall and/or seek
Advanced Placement for one of these classes. See the Forms and Paradigms webpage for information about Advanced Placement.

Any decision to delay a core course to Fall of the second year should be made with caution since there will be no flexibility for course selection if there are other classes offered that conflict with the delayed core course.

There are other options, depending on what decisions a student makes about core class enrollment for the fall. Please see the Course Schedule for further information/below for our suggestions.

**Biblical Language Information:**
If you have previous experience with Biblical Language and would like to take a Greek or Hebrew Exegesis class, these classes are listed under NEWTEST (Greek) and OLDTEST (Hebrew). You may need a permission number to enroll in the class since you may be missing prerequisites. If that is the case, please contact the instructor and seek permission to enroll in the class.

**Suggested elective classes**
Below is a list of potential elective classes for the MTS Core paradigm. Please consult the Course Schedule for additional options and information.

- BCS 761  
  “The Black Church in America” – Dixie
- BCS 806  
  “Segregated Sundays: Church, Race, Class and Caste” – Cooper
- XTIANTHE 842  
  “Womanist Theological Ethics” – W. Wilson
- AMXTIAN 811  
  “Pentecostalism” – Cooper
- XTIANTHE 760  
  “The Free Church” – Freeman
- LTS 830  
  “Survey of Christian Hymnody” – Highben
- HISTREL 763  
  “Blessings: An Introduction to Jewish Prayer” – Sager
- PARISH 821  
  “Global Food Policy” – N. Wilson
- PARISH 822  
  “Charitable Foods” – N. Wilson
- XTIANEDU 761  
  “Adolescent Selves, Adolescent Contexts, and the Formation of Christian Adolescent Identity” – Edie
- XTIANETH 890  
  “Julian of Norwich” – Hall
- XTIANTHE 841  
  “Political Theology” – Bretherton
- XTIANTHE 851  
  “Transhumanism, Theology and Embodiment” – W. Wilson