



## **SEMINARY ENTRANCE PATHS**

There are three paths of entrance into the Master of Arts in Practical Theology program and two paths into the Master of Divinity program. Path one is for entrance into the Master of Arts in Practical Theology and paths two and three are for entrance into both the Master of Arts and Master of Divinity.

### ***PATH ONE (MASTER OF ARTS IN PRACTICAL THEOLOGY ONLY)***

This path focuses on adult education. The program participants will be at least 30 years-old with at least 10 years of ministry experience. Ministry experience is defined as being a lead pastor, associate pastor, leadership in a church ministry such as (children, youth, men, women, discipleship, board etc. and it must be significant leadership experience) or in a parachurch ministry.

Students will be required to submit their application with the following for enrollment consideration: transcripts for any undergraduate or Bible Institute/SOM work, provide one pastoral reference and fully complete the Seminary application.

Since most of the program participants have not earned a bachelor's degree, the student will need to successfully achieve at least a 2.7 or B- grade point in each of the following 6 courses before full admittance status is given into the Master of Arts program:

- **Preparing for Academic Success** (this is a non-credit course with a minimum of 80 contact hours including 20 hours of seat time)
- **Basic Systematic Theology Class** (this is a non-credit course with a minimum of 80 contact hours including 20 hours of seat time)
- **Theological Thinking, Research and Writing** (this is a 3-credit transferable course, comprising the normal seminary course length requirements of 160-170 contact hours including 20 hours of seat time)
- **Old Testament Survey** (this is a 3-credit transferable course, comprising the normal seminary course length requirements of 160-170 contact hours including 20 hours of seat time)
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- **Spiritual Theology, Spiritual Formation for Pentecostals** (this is a 3-credit transferable course, comprising the normal seminary course length requirements of 160-170 contact hours including 20 hours of seat time)

After successfully completing the above six courses, as defined above, the student will earn full matriculation into the Master of Arts in Practical Theology Program. To earn the degree in their chosen concentration, the student must successfully complete the remaining thirty-six hours and earn an overall grade point average of 2.7.

After successful completion of the Master of Arts in Practical Theology, the student may “stack” the 48 credits earned and apply them to the Master of Divinity program. The student would need thirty (30) additional hours to earn the Master of Divinity degree.