

# SPECIALIZED CONCENTRATION

By special application; may include concentrations within a department or draw from across the curriculum

## Concentration Purpose and Learning Outcomes

The Master of Arts specialized concentration provides specialized study in a discipline supported by the regular curriculum offerings, but not articulated as a regular area of focused study. The concentration is to be academic rather than professional in focus, preparing participants in knowledge and practice for teaching or researching in Christian secondary schools, or higher education where a doctorate may not be needed; or as an intermediate step toward doctoral study in a related area.

At the time of application, the applicant must work with the Admissions Office and vetted through the Dean's Office the development of a specialized concentration with an articulated purpose, defined learning outcomes, regularly offered curriculum, and standard assessment mechanisms in place. Learning outcomes must be identified in areas of knowledge, practice, and character. Applicants should note that not all courses are offered every semester, and the development of the specialized concentration curriculum must be attentive to the current and regular offerings of TEDS. Upon acceptance, the letter of admission serves as a contract of curriculum to be completed, under the auspices of the Catalog; and a faculty advisor relevant to the concentration is assigned to guide the participant through the program process.

## Prerequisites

1. 6 semester hours of Bible including Old and New Testament surveys; or TEDS OT 5000 and NT 5000
2. an undergraduate major appropriate to the area of specialization or a minimum of 30 hours appropriate to the specialization

Code	Title	Hours
<b>Bible and Theology Core</b>		
ID 5000	Biblical Theology and Interpretation	3
ST 5201 & ST 5202	Theology I: The God of the Gospel and Theology II: The Gospel of God	6
<b>Concentration Core</b>		
Select 12-18 hours of concentration core curriculum <sup>1,2</sup>		12-18
<b>Elective Courses</b>		
Select 8-14 hours of Elective courses		8-14
<b>Field Education</b>		
Select one option from the following:		0
Option 1:		
PT 5090	Field Education (2 semesters)	
Option 2:		
ID 5080	Formation Group (2 semesters)	
PT 5090	Field Education (1 semester)	
<b>MA Capstone</b>		
XX 7477	Specialized Concentration Major Comprehensive Exam (depending on the area of concentration)	1

Select one of the following: 0-2

– 7980 MA Capstone Research Paper (twice)

– 7485 MA Thesis

**Total hours** 36

- 1 Concentration core curriculum must focus around a specifically identified curricular area, though such may draw from across the regular curriculum.
- 2 Up to 2 hours of the Capstone may be applied in the Concentration Core