



## THE MASTER OF ARTS IN THEOLOGICAL STUDIES (MATS)

### THE MATS CURRICULUM [54 credit hours]

<b>General Studies</b>	Credit Hrs
Learning as Ministry (SEGS 502)	2
<b>Biblical Studies</b>	
Intro to Biblical Studies (SEGS 501)	1
Old Testament: Literature, Culture and Religion (SEBO 603)	3
New Testament: Literature, Culture, and Faith (SEBN 633)	3
Biblical Studies Elective/s	3
<b>Doctrinal Theology</b>	
Introduction to Christian Theology (SEDO 613)	3
Christian Ethics (SEDO 843)	3
Doctrinal Theology Elective/s	3
<b>Church History</b>	
The Christian Story (SEHS 613) or North American Religious Experience (SEHS 713)	3
Church History Elective/s	3
<b>Pastoral Theology</b>	
Spiritual Formation (SEPF 723)	3
<b>General Electives</b>	18
<b>Master's Thesis (SESC 826)</b>	6
<b>TOTAL MATS HOURS</b>	<b>54</b>

### THE MATS AT MORAVIAN

The MATS program introduces students to the classical theological disciplines: biblical studies, history, and doctrine. It is designed to allow students to develop a basic grounding in theological studies and then to focus on a specific area of concentration.

The MATS degree can be used for a variety of vocational and academic purposes:

- it provides a theological foundation for those serving in non-ordained, leadership roles in the church.
- it can be designed to meet the theological requirements for lay ministry orders, such as the Lutheran Associates in Ministry (AIM) program.
- for those seeking a career in teaching in theological disciplines, the degree will be foundational for advanced academic work.
- it can also be a course of study for personal edification.

### ADDITIONAL MATS REQUIREMENT

Students will have unique opportunities to grow personally by engaging in programs outside of the traditional classroom. MATS students are required to participate in one Multicultural Awareness workshop during their studies at Moravian.