

# DUAL DEGREE OPTION: MASTER OF THEOLOGICAL STUDIES/MASTER OF SOCIAL WORK

## Purpose Statement

An increasing number of graduate students are called to Christian vocation in community ministry that is informed by their faith and grounded in Christian theology and scripture. The Master of Divinity and Master of Social Work (MDiv/MSW) dual degree program provides theological education and advanced social work knowledge and skills. Some students are not seeking to achieve the advanced competencies offered by the MDiv degree, and/or they may not have the time needed to meet all of the requirements of the MDiv/MSW degree program. The MTS/MSW dual degree program provides these students with an opportunity to prepare for community ministry through mastery of advanced social work knowledge and practice that is grounded in foundational Christian theology, Scriptures, traditions, and missions and witness.

## Admission

For admission to the dual degree program, candidates must apply and be accepted by both Truett Seminary's Master of Theological Studies program and the Waco campus of the Diana R. Garland School of Social Work MSW program.

## Master of Theological Studies/Master of Social Work Degree Requirements

### MTS Curriculum

Code	Title	Hours
<b>Requirements</b>		
<i>Core Curriculum</i>		
Spiritual Formation:		
PRTH 7101	Spiritual Formation I	1
PRTH 7102	Spiritual Formation II	1
PRTH 7103	Spiritual Formation III	1
PRTH 7004	Spiritual Formation Retreat	0
Introductory Courses: <sup>1</sup>		
THEO 7340	Introduction to Christian Scriptures	3
THEO 7341	Introduction to Christian History and Theology	3
Christian Scriptures:		
THEO 7370	Christian Scriptures I	3
THEO 7372	Christian Scriptures II	3
THEO 7371	Christian Scriptures III	3
THEO 7373	Christian Scriptures IV	3
Christian Theology:		
THEO 7360	Christian Texts and Traditions I	3
THEO 7361	Christian Texts and Traditions II	3
THEO 7362	Christian Texts and Traditions III	3
THEO 7396	The Baptist Identity	3

THEO 7382	Constructive Theology	3
<i>Electives</i>		
Select twelve credit hours from the following: *		12
THEO 7346	New Testament Greek I	
THEO 7347	New Testament Greek II	
THEO 7356	Hebrew I	
THEO 7357	Hebrew II	
THEO 7V48	Greek Language Readings	
THEO 7V54	Hebrew Language Readings	
THEO 7V74	Old Testament Readings	
THEO 7375	New Testament Readings	
THEO 7320	Studies in Systematic Theology	
THEO 7364	Studies in Historical Theology	
THEO 7380	Studies in Christian Ethics	
<b>Total Hours</b>		<b>48</b>

\* Other courses may be considered with approval from the Director of Academic Services and the Associate Dean for Academic Affairs.

<sup>1</sup> These are required courses; however, based upon previous academic experience, students may petition to waive or substitute these courses. Introductory courses are waived from the degree plan by passing an advanced standing exam (see the Advanced Standing Policy (<https://catalog.baylor.edu/truett-theological-seminary/academic-regulations/#advanced>)).

### MSW Curriculum (standard)

#### Year 1

Fall		Hours
SWO 5320	Human Diversity & Social Justice	3
SWO 5351	Human Behavior Theory: Person & Environment	3
SWO 5361	Social Work Practice with Individuals and Families	3
SWO 5491	Foundation Internship I	4
<b>Hours</b>		<b>13</b>

#### Spring

SWO 5362	Social Work Practice with Groups	3
SWO 5363	Social Work Practice with Communities & Organizations	3
SWO 5322	Social Policy For Social Work Practice	3
SWO 5381	Research for Social Work Practice	3
SWO 5492	Foundation Internship II	4
<b>Hours</b>		<b>16</b>

#### Year 2

Fall		Hours
SWO 5338 or SWO 5335	Clinical Diagnosis in Social Work or Theoretical Frameworks for Community Social Work Practice	3
SWO 5370 or SWO 5375	Clinical Social Work Practice I or Community Social Work Practice I	3
SWO 5382 or SWO 5384	Clinical Evaluation for Practice Improvement or Program Evaluation for Practice Improvement	3
SWO 5494	Part I Advanced Internship	4

Select one course from the following:	3
SWO 5323 Organizational Leadership & Management	
SWO 5376 Health Practice & Policy	
SWO 5377 Social Work Practice & Advocacy with Children & Families	

<b>Hours</b>	<b>16</b>
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**Spring**

SWO 5380 Clinical Social Work Practice II or SWO 5378 or Community Social Work Practice II	3
SWO 5490 Part II Advanced Internship	4
SWO 5395 Capstone Seminar	3
Credits shared from the MTS Degree:	3

<b>Hours</b>	<b>13</b>
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<b>Total Hours</b>	<b>58</b>
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**MSW Curriculum (advanced standing)****Year 1****Fall**

SWO 5338 Clinical Diagnosis in Social Work or SWO 5335 or Theoretical Frameworks for Community Social Work Practice	3
SWO 5370 Clinical Social Work Practice I or SWO 5375 or Community Social Work Practice I	3
SWO 5382 Clinical Evaluation for Practice or SWO 5384 Improvement or Program Evaluation for Practice Improvement	3
SWO 5494 Part I Advanced Internship	4

Select one course from the following:	3
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SWO 5323 Organizational Leadership & Management	
SWO 5376 Health Practice & Policy	
SWO 5377 Social Work Practice & Advocacy with Children & Families	

<b>Hours</b>	<b>16</b>
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**Spring**

SWO 5380 Clinical Social Work Practice II or SWO 5378 or Community Social Work Practice II	3
SWO 5490 Part II Advanced Internship	4
SWO 5395 Capstone Seminar	3
Credits shared from the MTS Degree:	3

<b>Hours</b>	<b>13</b>
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<b>Total Hours</b>	<b>29</b>
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**Master of Theological Studies/Master of Social Work Degree**

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<b>DUAL DEGREE REQUIREMENTS</b>		
<b>MTS TOTAL HOURS</b>		<b>48</b>
Credits completed for the MTS Degree		48
<b>MSW TOTAL HOURS (standard)</b>		<b>58</b>
Credits completed for the MSW Degree		55
Credits shared from the MTS Degree		3
<b>TOTAL NON-REPEATING HOURS (standard)</b>		<b>103</b>

<b>MSW TOTAL HOURS (advanced standing)</b>	<b>29</b>
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Credits completed for the MSW Degree	26
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Credits shared from the MTS Degree	3
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<b>TOTAL NON-REPEATING HOURS (advanced standing)</b>	<b>74</b>
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**Technicalities**

The MTS degree consists of 48 course credit hours. The MSW degree can be earned through two programs, the standard two year program and the advanced standing program.

In the proposed dual degree program, three hours from the MTS degree will be counted toward the standard two-year MSW program requirements and three from the MTS degree will be counted toward the advanced-standing MSW program requirements.

**For further information regarding the Master of Social Work degree, consult Baylor University's Diana R. Garland School of Social Work Catalog or contact:**

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