M.DIV. – M.S.S.W. DEGREE PLANNER

105 credits (minimum) required
60 credits at Union
45 credits at Columbia University

Red courses in blocks marked *Option A* should be chosen by students who aspire to ordained ministry, chaplaincy, or other ecclesial ministries. *Those considering ordination must be mindful of their denominational ordination requirements.*

Courses in blocks marked Option B are designed to accommodate students who plan to work in other contexts. Students in this category may choose either Option A (red or blue) or Option B in one or more fields.

Students who begin a block of Option A or Option B courses within a field must satisfy all requirements of that block in order to fulfill degree requirements in that field.

<u>See notes (over) for exceptions, exemptions, additional options, and guidance.</u>

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BIBLE (10-11 cr.)

OPTION A (11 cr.)

OT 101 (4 cr.) [1]

AND

NT 101 (4)

AND EITHER

BX 201 (3 cr.) [2]
OR

For Option A students not pursuing ordination, chaplaincy or other ecclesial ministry: [3]
OT 204 or NT 204 or
OT_____ or
NT_____ or
BX_____
(but not BX101) [4]

OPTION B (10 cr.)

BX 101 (4 cr.)

AND

Another OT course (3 cr.) [5]
OT 204 or
OT_____ or
BX_____

AND

Another NT course (3 cr.)
NT 204 or
NT_____ or
BX_____

HISTORY (6-7 cr.)

OPTION A (6 cr.)

CH 107 (2 cr.) AND
CH 108 (2 cr.) AND
CH 109 (2 cr.)

OPTION B (6-7 cr.)

CH 101 (3 cr.)

AND EITHER
Another History course (3 cr.)

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OR
Two of the following:
CH 107 (2 cr.)
CH 108 (2 cr.)
CH 109 (2 cr.)

THEOLOGY (6 cr.)

ST 101 or
ST 103 or   (3 cr.)
ST 104

AND

Another Theology Course

_____ (3 cr.)
[ST, CE, PR]

INTER-RELIGIOUS (6 cr.)

IE 102 (3 cr.)

AND

Another IE course [8]

_____ (3 cr.)

PRACTICAL THEOLOGY (6 cr.)

OPTION A (6 cr.)

CW 103 OR CW 104 (3 cr.) [6]

AND

Another Practical Th. Course

___ _____ (3 cr.)
[CA, CW, PT, PS, CS, RE]

OPTION B (6 cr.)

CA 101 (3 cr.) [7]

AND

Another Practical Th. Course

___ _____ (3 cr.)
[CA, CW, PT, PS, CS, RE]

GENERAL ELECTIVES (20 - 24 cr.)

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DUAL DEGREE REQUIREMENTS

CS 331: Integrative Seminar (2 cr.) at Union
MSSW Courses (45 cr.) at Columbia University

IMPORTANT NOTES * PLEASE READ

BIBLICAL FIELD

1. All students who take OT101 must also take NT101 and *vice versa*.

2. **Option A courses in Red: Students who are considering ordained ministry, chaplaincy, or other ecclesial ministries should choose BX 201 to complete Option A requirements.**

3. **Option A courses in Blue: These courses are intended for second-year M.Div. students who have chosen Option A but for whom BX 201/CW 104 is not consistent with or necessary for their anticipated ministerial contexts. In other words, students who have taken the OT/NT101 pairing in Option A but who are not (or are no longer) considering ordained ministry, chaplaincy, or other ecclesial ministries, may substitute a blue course for BX201 in order to complete their Biblical field requirements.**

4. Option A students may *not* take BX 101 (Introduction to the Bible) as an elective.

5. Option B students who do not identify as Christian may substitute one course on a sacred text other than the Christian Bible (e.g. the Qur'an) for *one* of the OT or NT courses listed in the Option B block. Such non-biblical Sacred Text courses (STX) may be cross-listed as IE/STX courses.

PRACTICAL THEOLOGY FIELD

6. BX 201 should be taken by anyone planning to do ordained ministry, chaplaincy, or other ecclesial ministries and should be taken before CW 104 (Fundamentals of Preaching). Students who choose Bible Option B may take BX 201 in fulfillment of one of their Biblical course requirements or electives as long as they are also enrolled in CW 101.

7. Option A students who take CW104 (after completing BX 201) may take CA 102 (Communication Arts) either in fulfillment of their Practical Theology Field requirements or as a free elective.

INTERRELIGIOUS ENGAGEMENT FIELD

8. Students who take a Sacred Text (STX) course to fulfill the Bible requirements must take another IE course to complete the second IE requirement.