

# Rhema College of Theology International



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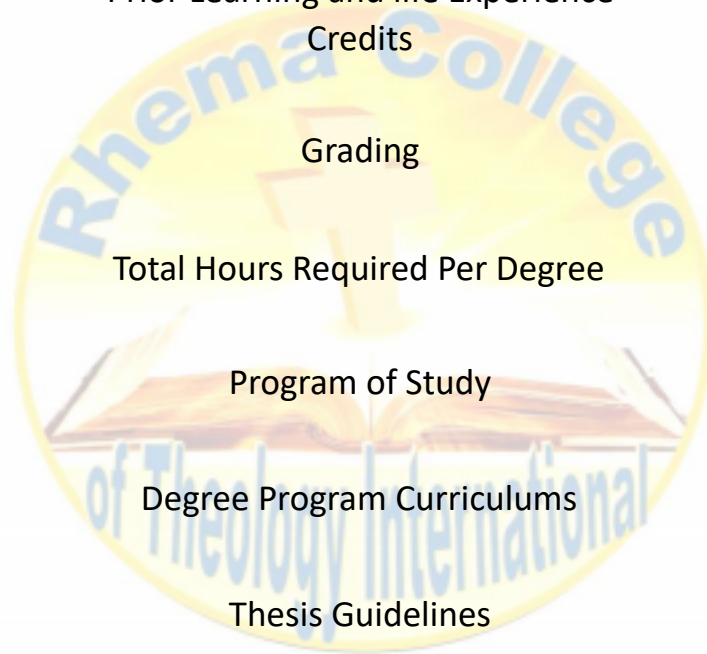
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## DEGREE PROGRAMS

Associate of Theology in Theology
Bachelor of Theology in Theology
Master of Theology in Theology
Doctor of Theology in Theology
Ph.D. in Philosophy

## COURSE MATERIALS

Students will use a variety of workbooks at no charge. Students' primary source of study will be the Bible. Students are encouraged but not required to obtain other sources to complete intensive studies of the Bible. RCOTI may hold the right to make changes to the course materials and students may be subject to a fee.

## TRANSFER OF CREDITS

No college, university or other institute of higher education is obligated to accept transfer credits from any other institution. However, other institutions in transfer have accepted RCOTI credits, but (as with any college, university, seminary or other institution) decisions concerning the acceptance of credits by an institution other than RCOTI, its affiliates and/or branches are at the sole discretion of the receiving institution, and no representation is made concerning the transferability of credits to such institutions. Students considering continuing their education at another institution should not assume that credits earned at RCOTI, its affiliates and/or branches will be accepted by the receiving institution without inquiring of the registrar of the receiving institution as to that institution's policy concerning the acceptance of such credits.

Students and applicants that have earned credits in other institutions will be evaluated by RCOTI to determine whether those credits can be applied to their course requirements in their RCOTI Degree Programs.

## ADMISSION INFORMATION/NONDISCRIMINATORY POLICY

Applicants for admission to Rhema College of Theology International are considered without regard to sex, age, color, national or ethnic origin, meeting the guidelines of the Civil Rights Act, Section 1984 and all other local and federal programs.

RCOTI will accept all individuals who desire to increase their knowledge of the Lord Jesus Christ and His Holy Word. Each prospective student will be assessed according to academic background and experience. An individualized program of study will be set up to meet any additional needs.

## PREREQUISITES FOR ADMISSION

- Associate Degree Program: A High School diploma or equivalent at the time of awarding the degree is required.
- Bachelor's Degree Program: A High School diploma or equivalent at the time of awarding the degree is required.
- Master's Degree Program: A Bachelor's Degree or equivalent at the time of awarding the degree is required.

- Doctorate Degree Program: A Master's Degree or equivalent at the time of awarding the degree is required.

## **PRIOR LEARNING AND LIFE EXPERIENCE CREDITS**

Rhema College of Theology International awards credits for seminars, workshops, church leadership positions, and various other accumulated life experiences earned through work or church.

## **APPLYING FOR ACCUMULATED LIFE EXPERIENCE CREDIT**

Credit for life, work and ministry will be evaluated. You may have years of part-time or full-time experience in Christian service that would have credit value. You will be asked to submit a short bibliography/resume for evaluation. These credits may be applied to each degree through the master's level. *Life experience credit is also available at the doctoral level. Students will have a 1-2hr Lecture one (1) time a week at either 7pm-8pm or 7pm-9pm via Zoom, Skype, Google Meet, or Facetime.*

## **GRADING**

100 – 94 A 3.50-4.00

93 – 87 B 3.00-3.50

86 – 79 C 2.50-3.00

78 – 71 D 2.00-2.50

70 - F 1.99- or less

## **SCHOLASTIC HONORS**

3.50 – 3.79 cum laude

3.80 – 3.99 magna cum laude

4.00 - summa cum laude

## **TOTAL HOURS REQUIRED FOR EACH DEGREE PROGRAM**

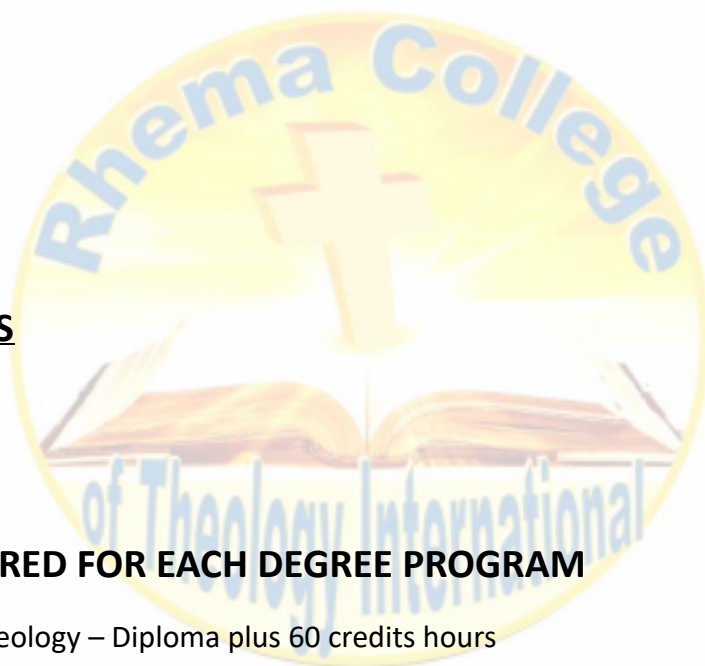
Associate of Theology in Theology – Diploma plus 60 credits hours

Bachelor of Theology in Theology – Associate Degree plus 60 credit hours

Master of Theology in Theology – Bachelor Degree plus 48 credit hours

Doctor of Theology in Theology – Bachelor and Master Degree plus 48 credit hours

Ph.D. in Philosophy – Master Degree plus 60 credit hours



## **RCOTI PROGRAMS OF STUDY**

The Programs of Study include the required courses, but do not necessarily reflect total hours because of applied life, ministry, and transfer credits.

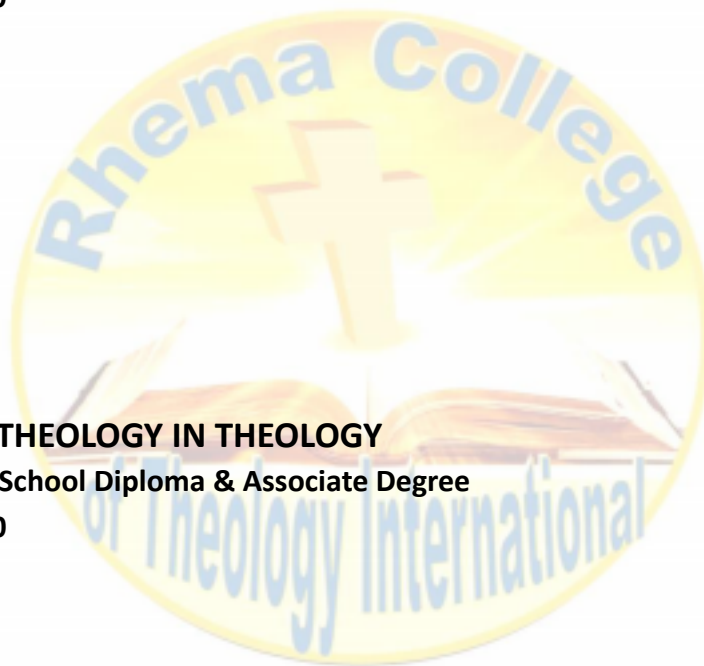
### **DEGREE PROGRAM CURRICULUMS**

#### **ASSOCIATE DEGREE OF THEOLOGY IN THEOLOGY**

**Degree Requirement: High School Diploma**

**Curriculum Total Credits: 60**

Old Testament Survey I  
New Testament Survey I  
Christian Faith Foundations  
Bible Study Methods  
Theology: The Study of God  
Study of Galatians  
Study of Romans



#### **BACHELOR DEGREE OF THEOLOGY IN THEOLOGY**

**Degree Requirement: High School Diploma & Associate Degree**

**Curriculum Total Credits: 60**

Old Testament Survey II  
New Testament Survey II  
Life of Christ  
Study Book of Acts  
Introduction to Christian Beliefs  
Major Prophets  
Minor Prophets  
Paul's Letters  
Church / Christian Ethics

#### **MASTER DEGREE OF THEOLOGY IN THEOLOGY**

**Degree Requirement: High School Diploma, Associate Degree/Bachelor Degree**

**Curriculum Total Credits: 48**

Pentateuch  
Old Testament History  
Poetry & Wisdom

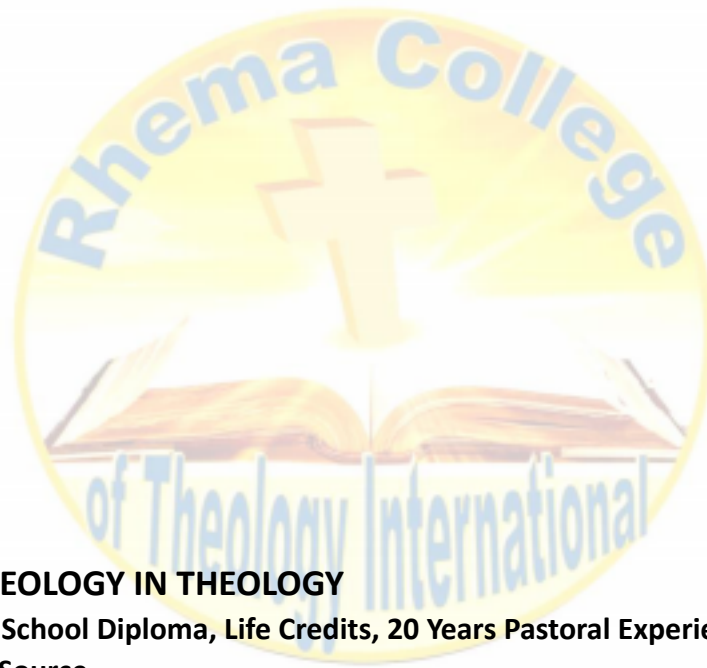
The Prophets  
The Gospels  
Acts & Letters of Paul  
The Letters & Revelation  
Biblical Doctrines  
Church Leadership

### **Master's Thesis**

ESSAY: A Theological Question - This essay deals with a theological question related to the overarching theme of the thesis with a 8,000 word count.

The essay must demonstrate the ability to work with:

- A. The Bible and biblical scholarship
- B. The Church's historical or documentary tradition
- C. A contemporary theology or theologian



### **DOCTOR DEGREE OF THEOLOGY IN THEOLOGY**

**Degree Requirement: High School Diploma, Life Credits, 20 Years Pastoral Experience, and a Letter of Reference from a Doctoral Source.**

**Curriculum Total Credits: 60**

Directed Essays: Old Testament

- New Testament
- Biblical Prophets
- The Gospels
- Biblical Doctrines
- Salvation & Atonement
- The Letter of Paul to Romans

# Associate Degree Program In Biblical Studies

## Requirements

Application, fees, books and other written material, plus a 2 hour lecture a week with a 3,000-word thesis based on Dr. Howard's book, "Perfecting the Saints for the work of Ministry."

Prerequisite: High School Diploma, and Church Experience.

## Course Description and Credit Hours:

- ADP\_101 - Introduction to the Bible Introduction Study of the origin of the Bible **(3 Credits)**

## Course Description:

- ADP\_102 - The Synoptic Gospels, The Life and Teaching of Christ Study of Matthew, Mark, Luke, in Chronological Order **(3 Credits)**

## Course Description:

- ADP\_103 - The Gospel of John - Teaching of Christ as it relates to His Identity **(3 Credits)**

## Course Description:

- ADP\_104 - The Book of Acts – The Church, The Holy Spirit, The Apostles and The Ascension **(3 Credits)**

## Course Description:

- ADP\_105 – The Book of Galatians – Study of the Term: Justification by Faith **(3 Credits)**

## Course Description:

- ADP\_106 – The Books of Philippians, Colossians, Philemon a background of the church epistles as they relate to Doctrinal theme **(3 Credits)**

## Course Description:

- ADP\_107 – The Book of James and Ephesians – To discover the date and purpose of his writing. Why was he called a "Pillar of the Church?" And in Ephesians, to discover the divine purpose and the reconciliation of Jesus and the gentiles.

**Course Description:**

- SBS\_108 – The Epistle of I and II Peter – A call to Godliness and a Prophecy of the Corrupt Teaching of Faithlessness **(3 Credits)**

**Course Description:**

- SBS\_109 – The Epistles of I, II, & III John – A Study of the Fellowship, Love, The Experience, The Truth, and Hospitality **(3 Credits)**

**Course Description:**

- ADP\_110 – The Book of Corinthian – Study of the Purification of the church, Pauls’ Apostleship and Grace **(3 Credits)**

**Course Description:**

- ADP\_111 – The Book of Corinthian – A study of Christian Charity, Works, Pauls’ personal testimony, Call and Defense **(3 Credits)**

**Course Description:**

- ADP\_112 – I Thessalonians – A comprehensive study of Christian living, The Day of the Lord and The Blessed Hope **(10 Credits)**

**Course Description:**

- ADP\_113 – II Thessalonians – Study of the Day of The Lord, The Rapture, The Second Advent Apostasy, Discipline, Admonition **(10 Credits)**

**Course Description:**

- ADP\_114 – The Feast of Passover – A Study of the First Passover **(10 Credits)**

**Course Description:**

- ADP\_115 – The Book of Jude and Titus – A study of Christian Doctrine, Qualification for Preachers, Bishops, etc. **(5 Credits)**



# Bachelor of Biblical Studies In Theology Second Year Degree Program

## Requirements

Application, Fees, Books and other written material, etc. CD's, DVD's plus a 2-hour lecture once a week with a 5,000-word Thesis. Prerequisites: High School Diploma, Associates Degree, Church Experience, all work must be completed by April 30<sup>th</sup>.

### Course Description – Course and Credit Hours:

- BDP\_201 – I and II Timothy – A study of Christian living, Legalism, False Doctrine, Qualification for Preacher, Deacon, Administration **(6 Credits)**

### Course Description:

- BDP\_202 – Proverbs – A study of Literature, Prophecy, and The Wisdom left to a son **(4 Credits)**

### Course Description:

- BDP\_203 – Ruth and Esther – The Journey of a Family in Crisis, and How Relationships are built **(4 Credits)**

### Course Description:

- BDP\_204 – Ezra and Nehemiah – The Rebuilding of the Temple, Restored Worship, The Return of the Jews from Babylon, A study of the Feast of Israel **(10 Credits)**

### Course Description:

- BDP\_205 – The Book of Roman – The Doctrine of Salvation, Law, Grace, and the Gospel of God **(3 Credits)**

### Course Description:

- BDP\_206 – The Gospel of John – The History of Jesus Christ, The Gospel of the Divine Son of God, The New Covenant, Sermon's and Promises **(5 Credits)**

**Course Description:**

- BDP\_207 – The Book of Genesis – A comprehensive study of The Beginning of Creation **(5 Credits)**

**Course Description:**

- BDP\_208 – The Book of Exodus – A comprehensive study of Israel’s escape from Egyptian Bondage to Freedom, and a display of God’s Grace **(5 Credits)**

**Course Description:**

- BDP\_209 – The Book of Daniel – A study of the Prophecies of Babylon, Persia, Grecia, Roman Empires of Seven Worlds 616 B.C. Into Eternity **(5 Credits)**

**Course Description:**

- BDP\_210 – The Book of Isaiah – A study of Great Doctrine, Instruction, Sermons, Isaiah’s Division and Visions **(5 Credits)**

**Course Description:**

- BDP\_211 – The Book of Revelations – A complete study of the Churches, The Prophecy of Events, Time, and History **(12 Credits)**

**Course Description:**

- BDP\_212 – The Book of Jeremiah – A study of fulfilled and unfulfilled prophecies, promises and judgements on The Nation **(5 Credits)**

**Course Description:**

- BDP\_213 – The Book of Ezekiel – A study of the persecution and fulfilled and unfulfilled prophecies during Babylonian captivity **(5 Credits)**

**Course Description:**

- BDP\_214 – The Book of Ecclesiastes – A study of the Wisdom, Principles, and Solomon true reality of life **(3 Credits)**

**Course Description:**

- BDP\_215 – The Song of Solomon – A devotional and inspirational study that portrays the beauty of love  
**(3 Credits)**



# Master's degree of Theology

## Third Year of Study

### Requirements:

Application, Fees, Books, and other written materials, etc. (i.e. Tapes, DVDs, CDs) and supplies necessary, a 2-hour lecture once a week, by video, CD, DVD, or online program with an 8,000-word Thesis. Prerequisites: High School Diploma, and bachelor's degree. All must be completed by April 30<sup>th</sup>.

### Course Description – Course and Credit Hours:

- MDP\_301 – A Study of the Minor Prophets – 12 Old Testament Prophets called Minor Prophets – Amos, Obadiah, Jonah, Hosea, Joel, Micah, Nahum, Habakkuk, Zephaniah, Haggai, Zechariah, Malachi. These Prophets of Israel prophecies during the reign of Ahaz and Hezekiah **(12 Credits)**

### Course Description:

- MDP\_302 – The Book of Job – A detailed study of The Book of Job, that teaches about suffering, prayer, friendship, and faith in God during times of struggle **(3 Credits)**

### Course Description:

- MDP\_303 – The Book of Joshua – A study of leadership, possession of The Promise Land, Israel History of Conquest and Division of Canon **(3 Credits)**

### Course Description:

- MDP\_304 – I and II Kings – The Reign of Solomon, The Building of the Temple, The Final Division of the Kingdom, Kings of Judah and Israel, and the Ministry of Elijah **(6 Credits)**

### Course Description:

- MDP\_305 – I Samuel – A study of the Birth of Samuel, The Anointing of King Saul and his reign as Israel's first King **(3 Credits)**

### Course Description:

- MDP\_306 – II Samuel – A study of The Fall of Saul's Reign, The Life of Samuel, and the New Policies of Religion, 10 Wars in 40 years, The Reign of David The Kingship and Covenant **(3 Credits)**

### Course Description:

- MDP\_307 – The Book of Psalms – A study of Psalms deals with hymns, prayer, praise, history of distress, prophecy, trust, promises, hope, instruction, confession, judgement, testimony, and deliverance of the Hebrew people after exile, and the worship and praise of Yahweh **(10 Credits)**

### Course Description:

MDP\_308 – Systematic Theology – A systematic study of Theology and introduction to Biblical Doctrine: The Doctrine of the Word of God; The Doctrine of God; The Doctrine of Man; The Doctrine of Christ and The Holy Spirit; The Doctrine of Redemption; The Doctrine of the Church; The Doctrine of the Future **(10 Credits)**

# Guidelines for writing the Doctoral Dissertation:

1. Write a minimum of 37,500 words – minimum 125 pages
2. Reflect at least 15 cited works.
3. It will include:
  - a. Table of Content
  - b. Abstract
  - c. Introduction
  - d. Bibliography
  - e. End or footnotes

## **Dissertation Proposal**

Students must submit a detailed proposal of your thesis or dissertation. The proposal must contain a thesis statement. A thesis statement is one sentence that expresses what your thesis or dissertation shall prove. This statement is the theme of the dissertation. You must submit this proposal via email to your faculty advisor. You will be notified as to the status of your request. No thesis or dissertation will be accepted without prior approval of the Thesis/Dissertation Committee.

## **Presentation**

- The Committee must judge your work worthy of commercial publication.
- If not emailed, it must be submitted as an original copy. This copy will be retained by RCOTI and will NOT be returned. We suggest that you make a copy for yourself.
- It must meet the format of a thesis or dissertation.

## **Submitting Your Work**

Work for the Degree Program is to be sent as you complete each class and/or thesis or dissertation. Your work will be graded, and a progress report provided. Students will recognize that their coursework will help them prepare for completion of the thesis and dissertations in the Graduate Programs.

## **Guidelines for writing the Ph.D. Dissertation:**

### **Requirements:**

A Master's degree and a 50,000-word dissertation **(60 credit hours)**

1. Write a minimum of 50,000 words
2. Reflect at least 25 cited works.
3. It will include:
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# Guide for Writing an Essay on a Biblical Passage

## A. Initial Approach

**1. Context.** Locate your periscope both within the immediate context of the basic division of the book and the overall structural units of the book. You may have to read a couple of chapters to get the sense of the functions of the periscope in the wider unit. Look for key words and transitions in making your determination of the parameters of the periscope. This assumes you are familiar with the general features of the document in which your passage occurs, including historical issues [authorship, audience, date, and occasion of composition, historical setting, etc.]. Also, it presumes some acquaintance with the literary characteristics of the book or letter [genre, compositional structure, stylistic features, etc.] and theological concerns [distinct themes such as faith, sin, covenant etc., perspectives, and emphases]. Consult good introductions, commentaries, and Bible dictionaries if you have a need to supplement your basic knowledge in this area.

**2. Paraphrase.** Write out a preliminary paraphrase of your periscope. If you have knowledge of Greek and Hebrew this will involve translating the passage. If your facility in the original language(s) of the text is limited, get the most literal translation (NASV) and then check it with several other translations. Do not merely copy the standard translation. Expand and fill it out. [Look for the basic idea of the text. What is the author really trying to say?]

**3. Textual Variants.** Check for any substantial textual variants. End up with your final text. This may bring the first of several modifications of your paraphrase. Every step in the process could mean a modification of your paraphrase. Record points that deepen, modify or give additional insight to your paraphrase.

**4. Fundamental Issue.** Now, please ask yourself why you wish to understand the passage more fully and what information you are looking for in the text. Come to the text with a set of questions (historical, literary, above all theological). Distill these down, if possible, to a fundamental question of which the others may be subsets. This is important because it will provide a focus for your exegesis as you move through your passage. Remember that you need to be open to the idea that your exegesis may show that your text does not address your question directly but is primarily concerned about something else. This is good. It shows that you are “listening” to the text and not telling it what you think it should say.

## B. Analysis of the Text.

You are now ready to proceed into a full-scale analysis of the passage: the exegesis itself. As noted above, there is no predetermined set of mechanical steps to follow as one might find in a manual on fixing automobiles. Rather, the image of the exegete may be likened to a surgeon carrying out very delicate brain surgery. It is as much an art as it is a procedure. However, certain factors must be taken into consideration. These will be noted below.

**1. Literary Form or Genre.** It is always helpful to know what literary form you are working with. Sometimes this is obvious (Col 1:15-20 is a hymn or Matt 13:1-8 is a parable). Most good commentaries will give you information about these literary forms and where these may be variations from the norm in your unit. Sometimes this can be very handy information. Sometimes it is more difficult to determine in what form or

genre a unit is instantiated. For example, Eph 1:3-14 is usually but not always identified as a Eulogy. You may have to read a commentary to get the necessary information.

**2. Word List.** Make a list of the theologically significant words and phrases in your unit. Focus especially on those words and phrases that may be pertinent to the specific issue you have under consideration. For example, you may be working with Rom 3:21-31. Your fundamental issue in examining this text is to ask what it is saying about atonement. You come across the Greek word *Hilasterion* “Expiation.” Immediately you would check other translations and the Greek dictionaries (lexica). At this point you will need to put in your notes some suggested changes for your paraphrase. Probably, you want to find out where this word is used elsewhere in the Bible. You will do this by means of concordances. Some of the computerized Bible search material is excellent, especially the Accordance program from Gramcord. Traditional printed concordances are also available. Handy checklists are marginal notes in the Nestle Text (Greek) or notes in a good study Bible. If you are working in a Gospel you may check parallels on the same unit by means of a synopsis/ Finally you may want to look at the uses of this word throughout the ancient world: Theological word books on the Old and New Testaments (e.g., Botterweck/Ringgren, Kittel, Colin Brown, and Spicq) are essential.

**3. Grammar and Syntax.** After you have looked at the key words it will then be necessary for you to look at the syntax of the passage (i.e. the way the words are put together). Look carefully at such things as the tenses of the verbs, the structures of the sentences, and the connections among phrases and clauses. Be alert to find an unusual construction in the grammar or syntax. The *Idiom Book of NT Greek* by CFD Moule, *Zerwick’s Analysis of the Greek NT*, and the *Linguistic Key to the Greek NT* by Reinecker and Rogers are helpful to note on these matters beside the commentaries or exegetical studies. (With respect to the latter you can find reference to them in O.T. and N.T. abstracts or on Religion indices in the library.)

**4. Use of Critical Methodologies developed for the study of History or Literature.** Sometimes in a passage there will be a quote or echo from an O.T. passage or, in the case of the gospel parallels, from another gospel account. Information is available that can help you find out where that quote or “tradition” came from, how it was originally used, and what it is doing in your unit. Remember, tradition can come in either oral or written form. Be warned. This is one of the most complex areas of biblical study. Enormous efforts have been expended here. Now that you have moved to the heart of what, in the past two centuries, was called historical criticism. The techniques used by biblical scholars in this area have often been borrowed from historians or literary critics. Considerable caution needs to be exercised by the Christian exegete in using these methods. By and large our focus will be to discover what the author of your text intended to do by the use of this material.

**5. Other Interpretations:** Commentaries Time spent in this area will probably cause you to add many more notes. Besides the major commentaries, encyclopedia articles and journals continue to proliferate. It is often instructive not only to read interpretations from the most recent commentary but also to look at some of the great commentaries from earlier eras in the church.

### **C. Synthesis of Research**

You are now ready to put all your information together. You may do this in several ways (outlines, summaries, thesis statements, etc.). We suggest the following procedure.



1. Write a paragraph that states in an opening sentence what the point of the passage is, how it interconnects with the context of the wider unit, and what is the overall theological thrust of the unit.
2. Then write a second paragraph showing how your conclusions illuminate both the overall argument of the book and fit into or interrelate with the general pattern of biblical teaching.
3. You may conclude with a third and final paragraph on what (if anything) the passage has to say about your fundamental question or issue that you have now determined it to be all about.
4. Make a final check of your paraphrase to see that it coheres with the results of your research.

#### **D. Application**

Now you are ready to write the exegesis or to utilize this text for teaching a class or preaching. Remember we consider that no exegesis is complete without some suggestions for application, even if only for a written report.

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#### **E. Writing the Essay**

1. The goal of your paper should be to describe as clearly and concisely as you can what the passage says and what it must have meant to its original readers.
2. Use the results of your research as a “library” from which to draw information as needed to explain the passage to your reader. You will not necessarily use all of the information you gathered in your research.
3. The organization of the paper will depend somewhat on the nature of the passage being interpreted. The following is suggested as one good approach:
  - a. Provide an introduction stating briefly (a) what you believe to be the central focus of the passage and (b) how you plan to demonstrate this in the course of the paper.

b. Support your thesis about the central focus by means of an organized discussion of the passage.

(1) Explain the context in which the passage occurs.

(2) Identify the form and structure of the passage.

(3) Discuss the passage section by section, showing how everything works together to make the central point as you have identified it.

(4) Indicate how the point of focus in your passage is related to overall concerns of the document in which it occurs.

c. Summarize your findings and comment briefly on the implications of the passage for contemporary theology and preaching or for related areas of research.

#### **F. Common Mistakes to Avoid**

1. Avoid simply reporting what others have said about the passage or in some other way showing too heavy dependence on secondary sources. You must wrestle with the issues presented by the passage yourself. Other interpreters should function only as critical discussion partners. (For this reason, it is wise to do your own preliminary work with primary tools before consulting secondary sources.)

2. Avoid the temptation to allow the object of description to become something other than the passage itself (e.g. some related topic or matter of personal interest, the steps of your research, etc.).

3. Avoid the tendency to misconstrue exegesis as a series of disconnected verse-by-verse notations or a series of “word studies.” Words (and verses) have meaning only in relation to other linguistic units in a particular context. Do not discuss the various components of a text in isolation from each other; show how they work together to make a central point.

4. Avoid “majoring on minors.” Let the passage itself determine what is central and what is peripheral. Devote the most attention to the features of the passage that are most central (e.g. do not devote half of your paper to a relatively insignificant variant or side issue).

5. Avoid sermonizing or moralizing. A good sermon follows careful exegesis. Do not put the cart before the horse.

6. Avoid errors in grammar and punctuation, spelling and form. Review your paper before you turn it in. (The author, not the typist, bears final responsibility for any errors.)

7. Avoid procrastination. Begin working on the paper long before the deadline so that your comments on the passage will reflect the mature judgment of unhurried reflection.

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Degree Programs in Theology  
Fee List**

**Accredited, Affordable, Convenient**

<b>DEGREE</b>	<b>TUITION</b>	<b>APPLICATION FEE</b>	<b>ADMINISTRATION FEE</b>	<b>Online Resource Material</b>	<b>GRADUATION FEE</b>
<b>1<sup>ST</sup> Year Associate</b>	<b>\$2,575</b>	<b>\$60.00</b>	<b>\$125.00</b>	<b>\$200.00</b>	<b>\$300.00</b>
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Year Bachelor</b>	<b>\$3,500</b>	<b>\$60.00</b>	<b>\$125.00</b>	<b>\$200.00</b>	<b>\$325.00</b>
<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Masters</b>	<b>\$4,500</b>	<b>\$60.00</b>	<b>\$125.00</b>	<b>\$200.00</b>	<b>\$400.00</b>
<b>4<sup>th</sup> Doctoral</b>	<b>\$5,000</b>	<b>\$60.00</b>	<b>\$125.00</b>	<b>\$200.00</b>	<b>\$500.00</b>
<b>5<sup>th</sup> Ph.D.</b>	<b>\$5,500</b>	<b>\$60.00</b>	<b>\$125.00</b>	<b>\$200.00</b>	<b>\$545.00</b>

**\*Thesis and/or Dissertation Required for All Degree Programs. Word Count for the Thesis is 12,000 words and the Dissertation word count is 25,000 words. These Degree Programs are Accelerated Programs. Life earned credits are permitted with Rhema Requirements of at least 15 – 25 years of Pastoral Services.**

**All fees are subject to change. All resources and material will be sent to students as needed for study. Lectures are once a week, Monday's at 7:00 - 9:00 pm. CST.**

**Biblical Christian Counseling - Dr. Ernestine Patton**

**O.T. Theology - Dr. George M. Howard Sr. (All Elective)**

**N. T. Theology - Dr. Daryn Crenshaw**

**Leadership Development - Dr. Charles Douglas**

# **Introduction**

## **THE SITUATION**

Most of us are unable to participate in in-depth Bible study because of our commitments to family, jobs, ministry, and community affairs. We can't leave our responsibilities and enroll in school on a full-time basis, or travel long distances to affordable schools. We fully realize that our self-motivation will not last through long term periods of self-study.

## **THE CHARGE**

But God has challenged us to know Him and His Word intimately in order that our lives may be transformed. How then can we balance our responsibilities and "study to show ourselves approved unto God?"

## **THE SOLUTION**

Satellite Studies from Rhema College of Theology International can provide the answer. You provide the facility, the people, and the desire! With our courses of study and your desire for preparation, together we can prepare the called for ministry.

## **GROWING GRACEFULLY**

Rhema College of Theology International courses of study are designed in such a way as to provide graceful growth starting with the certificate level and continuing through the doctorate's level. We offer academic programs that lead to a Certificate, Associate of Arts degrees, Bachelor of Science and Doctorate degrees in Biblical Studies, Christian Education, Biblical Exposition, and Theology.

We, at Rhema College of Theology International, value the worth and dignity of all persons as created in the image of God. We affirm the priesthood of all believers and the responsibility of every Christian woman and man to take an active role in edifying the Church. For that purpose, the Holy Spirit distributes ministry gifts to believers without distinction of any kind. That reality imposes the responsibility on every believer to fulfill ministry consistent with God's grace.

Nontraditional is that Theology that bring God into all creation, as it's creator including money, sex, marriage, Heaven, hell, End Time Prophecy of Millennialism and the inclusion of all we understand to be of God, as we are one. (Gen 1:31, John 1:3, Col 1:16)

# **Evaluation of Credit For Ministerial Experience**

The maximum credit Rhema College of Theology International will grant for ministerial/life-work/pastoral experience is as follows:

- Any Pastor/Minister with 20 years or more Pastoral/Ministry experience will be given credit for their Pastoral/Ministry experience.

Consideration will be given on a case by case basis with the final decision resting with the officers of Rhema College of Theology International.

## **Guidelines for Satellite Sites**

Select a Site Administrator who will be the main contact person with the Main Campus. The Site Administrator will be responsible for the following activities:

- Ensure that the Main Campus receives the amount of tuition. For example, if tuition cost is \$ [REDACTED], the Main Campus must receive \$ [REDACTED] of that amount.
- The satellite may choose to give a discount on its portion of the tuition if it so desires.
- Supervise enrollment and collect payment of all fees.
- Maintain Copies of Student Records and Send the originals to Main Campus
  - Enrollment records and all fees are to be sent to main campus immediately after enrollment period (1st two weeks of each term)
    - *Check if enrollment records and applicable fees are not received by the fourth (4th) week, the satellite will be considered closed for that enrollment period*
  - Student grades are to be sent immediately via email after term ends, and originals debt within 1st week after term ends
  - Send copies of the class schedule for the up-coming term to the Main Campus within 1st week after current term ends
- Coordinate facilities for study and class time.

Rhema College of Theology International has established the following basic guidelines to help keep track of the tasks for which each satellite is responsible. Dates of enrollment, classes offered, textbooks used fees charged are to correspond with those of the Main Campus. Class Periods are to be as follows:

- Classes meeting 3 times/week - one (1) Hour each class session
- Classes meeting 2 times/week - one and a half (1.5) Hours each class session
- Classes meeting once a week - two hours and 45 minutes (2.45) each class session
- Students must have 45 clock hours to equal 3 credits per semester

### **Each Satellite Will:**

Select Class Instructors,

- Who have at least a Bachelor's degree in Theology. They are able to teach Adult Bible Studies, Biblical Studies and Christian Education programs at the Certificate or Bachelor's level.

- Must have at least a Master’s degree in respective areas of instruction. (e.g. MTh, M.Div. if teaching a Master’s level biblical classes).
- All PhD candidates must be under the instruction and supervision of the Dean of Academics. He/She will coordinate classes for satellite students online via FaceTime, Skype, Zoom, etc.
- Must teach classes that are offered in the school catalog
- Are to evaluate student progress at class midpoint
- Are to evaluate student performance at completion
- Are to issue grades immediately after the last class period and deliver the same to the Site Administrator.

Submit Candidates for Graduation to the Dean:

- A thorough review of classes and grades taken must be completed by the Dean to ascertain all academic requirements have been met prior to acceptance for graduation
- All graduates are required to participate in the Main Campus graduation activities

In addition to these Guidelines, all Satellites Will be Governed by the Same Rules and Standards as the Main Campus.

# Financial Information

**Accredited, Affordable, Convenient**

**Tuition Schedule (Effective June 2021)**

DEGREE	TUITION	APPLICATION FEE	ADMINISTRATION FEE	BOOKS	GRADUATION FEE
1 <sup>ST</sup> Year Associate	\$2,575	\$60.00	\$125.00	\$200.00	\$110.00
2 <sup>nd</sup> Year Bachelor	\$3,500	\$60.00	\$125.00	\$200.00	\$125.00
3 <sup>rd</sup> Masters	\$4,500	\$60.00	\$125.00	\$200.00	\$125.00
4 <sup>th</sup> Doctoral	\$5,000	\$60.00	\$125.00	\$200.00	\$250.00
5 <sup>th</sup> Ph.D.	\$5,500	\$60.00	\$125.00	\$200.00	\$350.00

**Old Testament Survey 2** covers the message of the books of poetry and prophecy, which gives insight into God's dealings with His people.

**New Testament Survey** brings unity and chronological sequence to New Testament study, weaving the contents of the books around the person of Jesus Christ.

**Biblical Beliefs** presents foundational Bible doctrines in a popular, easy-to-understand format.

**The Triune God** covers the individually of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit and the Biblical teaching of the Trinity.

**Growing Toward Spiritual Maturity** presents a strategy for growing toward Christlikeness.

**Beyond Reasonable Doubt** is an introduction to the study of evidence for the Christian Faith.

**Exposing the Cults** exposes the doctrinal errors of cults and false religions.

**Your Ministry of Evangelism** covers the biblical foundations of evangelism.

*Individual Curriculum*  
**Biblical Studies Program (Core Curriculum)**  
 Certificate in Biblical Studies (30 Semester hours)

<b>Basic Courses</b>	<b>New Testament Studies</b>
Christian Doctrine I	<b>New Testament (I &amp; II plus 1 NT course)</b>
Christian Doctrine II	New Testament I (Intro+Matt-Luke)
Elements of Bible Study	New Testament II (Gospel of John)
<b>Bible Courses</b>	Book of Acts
<b>Old Testament Studies</b>	Romans
<b>Old Testament (I &amp; II plus 1 OT course)</b>	Pauline Epistles I (I Cor-Phile)
Old Testament I (Intro, Gen Deut)	Hebrews
Old Testament II (Joshua-Mal)	General Epistles
1&2 Samuel	Revelation
Isaiah	Life of Christ

Daniel	<b>General Education</b>
Minor Prophets	Introductory English

**Associate of Arts in Biblical Studies (30 Additional Semester Hours) - 60 Total Hours**

<b>Basic Courses</b>	Romans
<b>Old Testament (1 OT course)</b>	Pauline Epistles I (1 Cor-Phile)
1 & 2 Samuel	Hebrews
Isaiah	General Epistles
Daniel	Revelation
Minor Prophets	<b>Theology Courses</b>
<b>New Testament (2 NT courses)</b>	Dispensations
Life of Christ	General Education
Book of Acts	English Composition I
Church History	Evangelism
Public Speaking	Cults
Miscellaneous Requirements	Christian Ethics

**Bachelor of Arts Biblical Studies - (60 Additional Hours) - 120 Total Hours**

<b>Basic Courses</b>	Pauline Epistles (1 Cor-Phil)	Biblical Prophecy
Hermeneutics	Hebrews	Marriage and the Family (Christian Family)
<b>Old Testament (2 OT courses)</b>	General Epistles	<b>Miscellaneous Requirements</b>
1&2 Samuel	Revelation	Apologetics
Isaiah	<b>Theology Courses</b>	Bible Customs
Daniel	Systematic Theology I	Christian Leadership
Minor Prophets	Systematic Theology II	<b>Three (3) Electives front he</b>



		<b>following:</b>
<b>New Testament (4 NT courses)</b>	Systematic Theology III	1. Greek 1 & 2
Life of Christ	<b>General Education</b>	2. Basics of Christian Education
Book of Acts	World Civilizations I (Old Testament History)	3. Biblical Counseling
Romans	World Civilizations II (New Testament History)	4. Intertestamental History

## **Christian Education Program**

Certificate in Christian Education - 30 Semester Hours

Certificate Core Curriculum (Biblical Studies)

Associate of Arts in Christian Education - 63 Semester Hours

Associate Arts Core Curriculum (Biblical Studies) with: Basics of Christian Education

Bachelor of Christian Education - 123 Semester Hours

Bachelors of Arts Core Curriculum (Biblical Studies) with: Basics of Christian Education + Christian Teaching Methods 1 & 2 Advance Teaching Methods

## **Theology Program**

Certificate in Theology - (34 Semester Hours)

Certificate Core Curriculum (Biblical Studies) Plus: Ministerial Ethics Homiletics 1

Associate of Arts in Theology - (66 Semester Hours)

Associate Arts Core Curriculum (Biblical Studies) Plus: Ministerial Ethics Homiletics 1 & 2 and Greek 1

Bachelor of Theology - (135 Semester Hours)

Bachelor of Arts Core Curriculum (Biblical Studies) Plus: Ministerial Ethics, Homiletics 1 & 2, Expository Preaching, Greek 1 & 2, Church Administration, and Pastoral Care - Biblical Counseling

## **The Master's Program**

Rhema College of Theology International offers the following programs of study for those interested in the Master of Arts or The Master of Theology Degrees:

Master of Biblical Studies

Master of Christian Education

Master of Theology

### **Master of Biblical Studies**

**(36 Semester Hours)**

The Biblical Studies Program is designed for those Christian men and women who desire to extend their biblical knowledge through the post-graduate program without committing to a specific discipline.

*(Prerequisite - Bachelor of Arts in Biblical Studies)*

*(Core Master Level Courses)*

<b>Basic Courses</b>	<b>Theology</b>
<b>Research and Writing</b>	<b>Historical and Theology</b>
<b>Advanced Hermeneutics</b>	<b>Old Testament Theology</b>
<b>Bible Courses</b>	<b>New Testament Theology</b>
<b>Pentateuch</b>	<b>Christology</b>
<b>Poetic Books</b>	<b>Pneumatology</b>
<b>Pauline Pastoral Epistles</b>	<b>Soteriology</b>
	<b>Eschatology</b>

# **Master of Christian Education**

(45 Semester Hours)

The Christian Education Program is designed for those Christian men and women who are currently in or desire to serve in the area of Christian Education and wish to extend their knowledge through this post-graduate program.

(Prerequisite-Bachelor of Arts in Christian Education)

Core Master Level Courses plus Christian Education Requirements

Educational Ministry

Christian Teaching

Adult Education

# **Master of Theology**

(48 Semester Hours)

The Theology Program is designed for those Christian men and women who have been called into the preaching ministry and who are serving as pastors or presently pursuing a pastoral position and wish to extend their knowledge through the Master's Program.

(Prerequisite - Bachelor of Theology)

Core Master Level Courses plus Theology Requirements

Advanced Greek

Pastoral Counseling

Pastoral Ministry

Church Management Administration

***Individuals holding a secular degree Must complete the following courses or the equivalent in order to be accepted as candidates for a Master's Degree***

(108 Semester Hours)

## **Requirements for Secular Degree Holders**

**Bible/Theology Courses**

**Basic Courses**

Greek I & II (Theology Only)

Hermeneutics

**Bible Courses**

### **Old Testament**

Old Testament I (Intro , Gen-Deut)

Old Testament II (Joshua-Mal)

Isaiah

Daniel

Minor Prophets

### **New Testament**

New Testament I & II

Gospel of John

Book of Acts

Romans

Pauline Epistle I (1Cor-Gal)

Pauline Epistle II (Eph-Phile)

Hebrews

General Epistles

Revelation

Subtotal

### **Miscellaneous Requirements**

Apologetics

Evangelism

Christian Ethics or Ministerial Ethics

## *Individual Curriculum*

## **Biblical Studies Program**

### Bachelor of Arts in Biblical Studies - 120 Total Hours

Basic Courses	New Testament Courses	General Education Courses	Christian Ethics
Christian Doctrine I	New Testament I (Intro, Matt-Luke)	Intro to English	Cults
Christian Doctrine II	New Testament II (Gospel of John)	English Composition I	Evangelism
Elements of Bible Study	Life of Christ	Church History	Electives (5)
Hermeneutics	Book of Acts	World Civilization I (Old testament)	Biblical Studies Electives:
Old Testament Courses	Romans	World Civilization II (New Testament)	Old Testament

Old Testament I (Intro, Gen-Deut)	Ephesians	Miscellaneous Requirements	Historical Books
Old Testament II (Joshua-Mal)	Hebrews	Biblical Prophecy	Jeremiah
Isaiah	General Epistles	Christian Leadership	Ezekiel
Poetic Books	Revelation	Marriage and The Family (Christian Family)	Galatians
Daniel	Theology Courses	Apologetics	I & II Corithians
Minor Prophets	Systematic Theology I, II, III		Colossians
	Dispensations		Greek I & II

**Certificate in Biblical Studies (30 Semester Hours)**  
**Associate of Arts in Biblical Studies (60 Semester Hours)**

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Christian Doctrine I	New Testament I (Intro, Matt-Luke)	Intro to English	Cults
Christian Doctrine II	New Testament II (Gospel of John)	English Composition I	Evangelism
Elements of Bible Study	Life of Christ	Church History	Electives (1)
Hermeneutics	Book of Acts	World Civilization I (Old testament)	Christian Education Requirements
Old Testament Courses	Romans	World Civilization II (New Testament)	Basics of Christian Education
Old Testament I (Intro, Gen-Deut)	Ephesians	Miscellaneous Requirements	Chrisian Teaching Methods 1 & 2

Old Testament II (Joshua-Mal)	Hebrews	Biblical Prophecy	Advanced Teaching Methods
Isaiah	General Epistles	Christian Leadership	Christian Education Electives: Old Testament
Poetic Books	Revelation	Marriage and The Family (Christian Family)	Historical Books, Jeremiah, Ezekiel
Daniel	Theology Courses	Apologetics	Galatians, I & II Corinthians
Minor Prophets	Systematic Theology I, II, III		Colossians
	Dispensations		Greek I

Certificate in Christian Education (30 Semester Hours)  
Associate of Arts in Christian Education (60 Semester Hours)

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### Bachelor of Theology - 135 Total Hours

Basic Courses	New Testament Courses	General Education Courses	Christian Ethics
Christian Doctrine I	New Testament I (Intro, Matt-Luke)	Intro to English	Cults
Christian Doctrine II	New Testament II (Gospel of John)	English Composition I	Evangelism
Elements of Bible Study	Life of Christ	Church History	Electives (2)
Hermeneutics	Book of Acts	World Civilization I (Old testament)	Theology Program Requirements:
Old Testament Courses	Romans	World Civilization II (New Testament)	Ministerial Ethics, Homiletics I & II
Old Testament I (Intro, Gen-Deut)	Ephesians	Miscellaneous Requirements	Expository Preaching, Greek I & II

<b>Old Testament II (Joshua-Mal)</b>	<b>Hebrews</b>	<b>Biblical Prophecy</b>	<b>Church Administration</b>
<b>Isaiah</b>	<b>General Epistles</b>	<b>Christian Leadership</b>	<b>Pastoral Care (Biblical Counseling)</b>
<b>Poetic Books</b>	<b>Revelation</b>	<b>Marriage and The Family (Christian Family)</b>	<b>Theology Program Electives: Old Testament</b>
<b>Daniel</b>	<b>Theology Courses</b>	<b>Apologetics</b>	<b>Historical Books, Jeremiah, Ezekiel</b>
<b>Minor Prophets</b>	<b>Systematic Theology I, II, III</b>		<b>Galatians, I &amp; II Corinthians</b>
	<b>Dispensations</b>		<b>Colossians</b>

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*Core Master Level Courses Plus Christian Education REquirements*

Education Ministry

Christian Teaching

Adult Education

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(48 Semester Hours)

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*(Prerequisite - Bachelor of Theology)*

*Core Master Level Courses plus Theology Requirements*

Advance Greek



Pastoral Ministry

Pastoral Counseling

Church Management Administration

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Greek I & II (Theology Only)

Hermeneutics

##### **Bible Courses**

##### **Old Testament**

Old Testament I (Intro, Gen-Deut)

Old Testament II (Joshua-Mal)

Isaiah

Daniel

Minor Prophets

##### **New Testament**

New Testament I & II

Gospel of John

Book of Acts

Romans

Pauline Epistle I (1 Cor-Gal)

Pauline Epistle II (Eph - Phile)

Hebrews

General Epistles

Revelation

Subtotal

##### **Miscellaneous Requirements**

Apologetics

Evangelism

Christian Ethics or Ministerial Ethics

## **The Doctorate Program**

Rhema College of Theology International offers the following Programs of Study for those interested in the Doctor of Ministry or the Doctor of Theology Degrees:

## **Doctor of Ministry**

(Prerequisite - Master's Degree from RCOTI or acceptable college or seminary)

The Doctor of Ministry provides pastors and other ministry leaders the opportunity for advanced theological reflection of the work of the ministry and to sharpen ministry skills. The candidate must hold a Master's degree from Rhema College of Theology International or acceptable college or seminary. The candidate must complete forty (40) semester hours of work beyond the Master's degree with Rhema College of Theology International which shall include writing a thesis/dissertation containing no less than (50,000) words.

The DMin Curriculum Core Level Courses include:

<b>Biblical Studies</b>	<b>Systematic Theology</b>
<b>Church History</b>	<b>Homiletics</b>
<b>Apologetics</b>	<b>Pastoral Care Counseling</b>
<b>Hermeneutics</b>	<b>Dissertation/Thesis</b>
<b>Christian Doctrine</b>	

## **DOCTOR OF THEOLOGY**

The Doctor of Theology program will provide ministry professionals with advanced training and skills to analyze ministry practice through sustained biblical, ecclesiological and theological reflection. This is a degree that carries weight and dignity; therefore, the candidate who enrolls in this program of study must show that the student is capable of doing doctrinal work. The candidate must hold an earned Master's degree from Rhema College of Theology International or acceptable college with a composite of at least 183 earned credit hours. The candidate then must complete forty (40) hours of work through Rhema College of Theology, which includes a writing of (50,000) word thesis/dissertation in the field of Theology. The candidate will submit two (2) hard bound copies to Rhema, one will be returned to the candidate and the other will be kept on file at Rhema.

**The DTh Curriculum Core Level Courses include:**

<b>Pneumatology</b>	<b>Hamartiology</b>
<b>Soteriology</b>	<b>Christology</b>
<b>Expository Preaching</b>	<b>Mission</b>
<b>Systematic Theology IV</b>	<b>Eschatology</b>
	<b>Dissertation/Thesis</b>

## **Acknowledgement**

I, the undersigned, representing the Rhema College of Theology International Satellite located at

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Acknowledge that I have read, do understand, and agree to abide by the guidelines as set forth in this document.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please sign and return to:**

Rhema College of Theology International

102 Ridley St.

Smyrna, TN 37167

