



Hartford International University (HIU)
Cooperative Master of Divinity Program
With Chicago Theological Seminary (CTS)

This chart is intended to help students in the Cooperative M.Div. program make informed choices about courses they may take at Hartford International University (HIU) that will satisfy degree requirements at Chicago Theological Seminary (CTS). Students should be aware, however, that whether or not a HIU course will meet a specific requirement is a determination that is finally in the hands of CTS, and that decision is made after the student has applied and been admitted to CTS. This chart is a reliable guide of equivalency, *but not guarantees*. Course offerings and degree/curricular requirements (or configurations) at all institutions change over time; therefore, this chart will be periodically updated by HIU. Students should ask their advisors each academic year for the most recent version of this document.

Chicago Theological Seminary, Advising Guidelines

CTS Master of Divinity – requires 75 semester credit hours

Requirements for the CTS MDiv may be found at

<https://www.ctschicago.edu/academics/degree-programs/master-of-divinity>.

Chicago Theological Seminary Requirements	HIU
Interpreting the Hebrew Bible*	SC-522 (Hebrew Bible Survey)
Interpreting the Gospels	SC-540 (Synoptic Gospels)
Two of the following three courses: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Interpreting the Hebrew Bible II • Interpreting the Epistles • Bible elective 	Students may also take two of the following Bible electives at HS to satisfy the second requirement: SC-523 (Torah) SC-639 (The World of the Prophets) SC-531 (New Testament Survey) SC-617 (The Pauline Letters)
History of Christian Thought*	HI-523 (The History of Christianity: Defining Moments of a Faith) OR HI-532 (Contemporary World Christianity)
Systematic Theology*	TH-505 (Intro to Christian Theology)
Introduction to Pastoral Care*	AM-638 (Essential Skills in Pastoral Counseling and Ministry)
Religion in North America	RS-525 (American Religious Realities)
Christian Ethics	Must be taken at CTS

Global Sensitivity in Ministry	Must be taken at CTS
Living Into Our Commitments	Must be taken at CTS
Leadership & Ministry in Context (full-year)	Must be taken at CTS
Field Education Placement (full-year)	Must be taken at CTS
Clinical Pastoral Education (if taken while at CTS, may be taken for elective credit)	Can be taken at CTS or prior to matriculation at CTS. Must be completed at accredited CPE site. See ACPE.org for more details.
Constructive Theology	Must be taken at CTS

*** Students are strongly encouraged to complete starred courses at HIU in order to expedite completion of the MDiv.**

Chicago Theological Seminary Electives	HIU
Preaching	AM-575 (The Art of Preaching)
Theology elective	May be satisfied with any one of the following TH course at HS: TH-505 (Christian Theology: The Basic Components of Christian Faith and Life); TH-513 (Faiths as Formal Realities); TH-526 (Introduction to Black Theology); TH-605 (Contextual Theologies); TH-611 (Theological Approaches to Religious Pluralism)
Ministry elective	May be satisfied with any one Ministry course at HS: AM-604 (Theologies of Chaplaincies) AM-659 (Ministry to the Incarcerated: Responding to the Challenge); CH-520 (Theology and Scriptures in Spiritual Care Practice); AM-521: Contemplative Prayer Practices; CH-621 (Death and Dying); AM-667 (Interfaith Leadership/Crisis); ET-631 (Environmental Ethics)
Non-Christian elective	May be satisfied with any <i>one</i> course in a tradition other than Christianity at HIU. Course must focus on one tradition – comparative courses or courses in interreligious engagement do not satisfy this requirement. SC-526 (Foundational Sources of Islam); HI-536 (Life of the Prophet Mohammad); TH-622 (God in Muslim Thought); WS-639 (Islamic Spirituality); SC-634 (Major Themes of the Bible and Qur'an)

Seven free electives	<p>Any of the above courses, including the required comparative courses, may transfer in from HS, provided the total number of transferred courses does not exceed 12 courses (36 credit hours).</p> <p>DI-550 (Introduction to Interreligious Studies); IP-611 (Peace, Justice, and Violence in Sacred Texts); TH-513 (Faiths as Formal Realities)</p>
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Students must receive a grade of B or better in all courses that transfer to CTS.

Students are recommended to pursue courses while at HIU so as to allow a healthy balance of electives and required courses for their study at Chicago Theological Seminary.

Students will need at least two years of study (not necessarily full-time) at Chicago Theological Seminary. In addition to regular coursework, students' first year at CTS will include a year-long field placement, in conjunction with the year-long course Leadership and Ministry in Context (LM 400). Their first year at CTS will also include a substantial vocational assessment in the Middler Review. This will include two papers (from a Bible, History or Theology course), a sermon, grant proposal, teaching curriculum, or evidence of worship planning. Those students who have taken CPE prior to transfer must include their CPE evaluations. The student's final year at CTS will include the capstone review, that is designed to assess a student's vocational self-understanding, contextual theological reflection as well as identifying gifts and competencies for religious leadership. This review includes evidence of substantial engagement in another religious/spiritual tradition, public leadership, and areas of concentration.