



*Exploring Differences, Deepening Faith*

**GRADUATE PROGRAM**  
**MASTER OF ARTS – PROGRAM OF STUDY WORKSHEET**

At the time of admission, students are assigned a faculty advisor. Students work with their faculty advisor and within the selected area of focused study to design a program tailored to meet their educational objectives. Students, in consultation with their faculty advisor, complete a *Program of Study Worksheet* on which they plan out their course selections to meet the core area requirements and selected area of focused study.

Students who do not select an area of focused study at the time of their application and admission should declare one no later than the completion of 24 credits. At that point, students will be reassigned, if necessary, to a faculty advisor in the area of focused study.

Please note: The *Ministry Seminar* (which was the core course until Fall 2003) may count as the core course requirement for all students who have already taken it and choose to complete their degree under the MA degree requirements which took effect in 2003-2004 and continue to be in effect. However, all are welcome to take the new core course, *Dialogue in a World of Difference*. Should you choose to take *Dialogue in A World of Difference*, in addition to having already taken *The Ministry Seminar*, it will count as three credits of the 9-12 credits of free electives.

**Please print**

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Faculty Advisor: \_\_\_\_\_

Semester/Year of Entry: \_\_\_\_\_ Focused Area of Study: \_\_\_\_\_

Best number/email to reach student in case of questions: \_\_\_\_\_

(Phone)

(E-mail)

*Program of Study Worksheets should be submitted to the Dean no later than the completion of 24 credits.*

Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Advisor Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Dean's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

*(Program of Study Worksheet – on back)*

The Master of Arts degree requires successful completion of 48 credits as detailed below; a minimum of 30 credits must be taken through Hartford Seminary and all degree requirements must be completed within six years.

	Course Title	'other trad.' course *	Semester/ Year Taken	Course Instructor
<b>Core Course</b> (3 credits)				
<b>Core Areas</b>				
<b>Scripture 1</b> (3 credits)				
<b>Scripture 2</b> (3 credits)				
<b>Theology</b> (3 credits)				
<b>Ethics</b> (3 credits)				
<b>Spirituality, Worship and Liturgy</b> (3 credits)				
<b>Religion and Society</b> (3 credits)				
<b>History</b> (3 credits)				
<b>Focused Area of Study</b> (9 credits):  _____ –	1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____			
<b>Free Electives</b> (9 or 12 credits – <i>see</i> Final Requirement)	1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____ 4. _____			
<b>Final Requirement</b>	1. _____ (Thesis – 6 credits) <b>OR</b> 2. _____ (Final project or paper – 3 credits)			

\* Please indicate with an X which course, of the courses listed above, fulfills the MA degree requirement of “a course, other than scripture, in a faith tradition other than the one with which you are most familiar.”



Whenever possible, the faculty advisor for a student selecting one of the five remaining areas of focused study will be a faculty person within that academic area. That faculty person is the one who gives final approval to the course of study their student advisee has proposed and completed, in consultation with the Dean.

**Free Electives** **9 or 12 credits**

(9 or 12 credits depending on final requirement selection of  
final paper, project or thesis)

**Final Paper/Project (3 credits) OR Thesis (6 credits)** **3 or 6 credits**

***Total Credits – Master of Arts*** ***48 credits***

Note: Each student must include in the 48 credits required for the degree one course, other than scripture, in a faith tradition other than the one with which he or she is most familiar. Students work with their faculty advisor to determine the appropriate course selection to meet this requirement.