ENOCH ASCENSION CHRISTIAN UNIVERSITY · DEGREE COMPLETION PLAN

Master of Arts in Theological Studies

Catalog Year 2026–2027 · 100% Online · *We don't teach what to think. We awaken truth and walk in love.*

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TOTAL CREDITS	COURSES	CREDITS PER COURSE	FOUR WAYS TO LEARN

Program Overview

The Master of Arts in Theological Studies prepares students to think theologically at an advanced level, engaging systematic theology, divine council theology, the problem of evil, and contemporary movements. Graduates are equipped to teach doctrine with depth and to engage questions others avoid.

How EACU Is Different

Students study doctrine the way it actually developed: through Scripture, ancient texts, councils, controversies, and the many traditions that read the same Bible differently. Rather than being handed one system, students compare Catholic, Orthodox, Ethiopian, Protestant, and newer movements side by side and articulate their own theological convictions.

At the graduate level, students weigh the biblical text, ancient witnesses, research, and later interpretation side by side, then build and defend their own position with scholarly rigor while remaining grounded in the foundation of truth.

> **Required in every EACU degree:** Biblical Interpretation (Rightly Dividing the Word), Biblical Finance and Stewardship, and Biblical Mindset and Mental Health. Every course is built with visual, auditory, reading and writing, and hands-on learning.

Program Outcomes

1. Apply sound theological method to major doctrines.
2. Evaluate biblical and ancient accounts of the fall of Satan and the origin of evil.
3. Explain divine council theology and its place in biblical cosmology.
4. Assess contemporary theological movements with fairness and discernment.
5. Complete and defend graduate-level theological research.

Where This Degree Can Lead

- Theology instructor or curriculum writer
- Pastor, teacher, or ministry leader
- Author and apologist
- Further study in the D.Min. in Theological Studies

Admission

A completed bachelor's degree. See Admissions for full requirements.

M.A. in Theological Studies

Degree Completion Plan · Student: _____

EACU Required Core — 12 credits

	CODE	COURSE	CR	TERM COMPLETED
☐	EACU 500	Graduate Orientation and Research	3	
☐	BIBL 501	Biblical Interpretation III: Advanced Rightly Dividing the Word	3	
☐	FINC 501	Biblical Finance and Stewardship II	3	
☐	MHLT 501	Biblical Mindset and Mental Health II	3	

Bible Core — 6 credits

	CODE	COURSE	CR	TERM COMPLETED
☐	BIBL 510	The Old Testament in Its Ancient Near Eastern and Second Temple Context	3	
☐	BIBL 520	The New Testament in Its Second Temple and Greco-Roman Context	3	

Major: Theological Studies — 15 credits

	CODE	COURSE	CR	TERM COMPLETED
☐	THEO 610	Systematic Theology: Method and Doctrine	3	
☐	THEO 620	The Fall of Satan and the Problem of Evil	3	
☐	THEO 630	Divine Council Theology and Biblical Cosmology	3	
☐	THEO 640	The Doctrine of Forgiveness and Reconciliation	3	
☐	THEO 650	Contemporary Theological Movements	3	

Capstone — 3 credits

	CODE	COURSE	CR	TERM COMPLETED
☐	THEO 690	Master's Thesis or Applied Project	3	

Students complete either a research thesis or an applied project, such as a program, curriculum, or book manuscript, and defend it before faculty. With advisor approval, one major course may be replaced by a course from the EACU Approved Elective List.

Credit Summary

EACU Required Core	12
Bible Core	6
Major	15
Capstone	3
Total Required	**36**

Suggested Sequence

Term 1
Graduate Orientation, Advanced Rightly Dividing the Word

Term 2
Bible Core, Finance II, Mental Health II

Term 3
Major courses

Term 4
Remaining major courses and Capstone