ENOCH ASCENSION CHRISTIAN UNIVERSITY · DEGREE COMPLETION PLAN

Master of Arts in Biblical Counseling

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 Biblical Counseling deepens counseling knowledge and skill through counseling theory, case conceptualization, trauma-informed care, and group care. Graduates are prepared to lead counseling and care ministries with competence and integrity.

How EACU Is Different

EACU counseling courses bring Scripture, research, and real human stories together. Students examine trauma, attachment, grief, and spiritual warfare from every side, including what Scripture states, what research shows, and where the two meet, and they learn when care should be referred to licensed professionals.

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.

Please note: This degree prepares students for counseling within ministry, church, and community settings. It does not lead to state licensure or professional certification, including as a professional counselor or therapist.

Program Outcomes

1. Evaluate major counseling theories through a biblical lens.
2. Develop case conceptualizations and care plans.
3. Provide trauma-informed care within ministry settings.
4. Lead group and community care programs.
5. Operate within legal and ethical scope of practice.

Where This Degree Can Lead

- Counseling ministry director
- Pastoral care leader
- Faith-based nonprofit program leader
- Further study in the D.Min. in Biblical Counseling

Admission

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

Career paths above are examples only; EACU does not provide job placement or promise employment (Handbook Section 12).

M.A. in Biblical Counseling

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: Biblical Counseling — 15 credits

	CODE	COURSE	CR	TERM COMPLETED
☐	COUN 610	Theories of Counseling Through a Biblical Lens	3	
☐	COUN 620	Counseling Techniques and Case Conceptualization	3	
☐	COUN 630	Trauma-Informed Biblical Counseling	3	
☐	COUN 640	Group and Community Care	3	
☐	COUN 650	Ethics, Law, and Scope of Practice	3	

Capstone — 3 credits

	CODE	COURSE	CR	TERM COMPLETED
☐	COUN 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