GTU COMMON MA PROGRAM CHECKLIST
CONCENTRATION: BIBLICAL LANGUAGES

Name: ___________________________ Anticipated Semester of Graduation: ___________________________

☐ Requirements for the MA degree must be completed within a maximum 8 semesters of full-time work.
☐ Only 3-unit academic courses with B- or higher count toward the MA degree.
☐ Functional Theology (FT) and Field Education (FE) courses do NOT count toward the MA degree.
☐ Modern foreign European language courses (French, German, Spanish and Italian) do NOT count toward the MA degree.

1. INTRODUCTORY coursework
Complete prior to admission or during the program without unit credit toward the program total of 48 units.

☐ Old Testament Introduction
☐ New Testament Introduction

2. LANGUAGE requirements
For classical languages, student must earn at least a B+ average in each language or achieve secondary proficiency. Fill in semester/year.

☐ Primary Language (12 units, list by course number)
  HEBREW or GREEK (circle one)
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☐ Secondary Language (6 units, list by course number)
  HEBREW or GREEK (circle one)
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☐ GPA at B+ or above. If not, indicate completion of language exam and forms:

3. COURSEWORK in Biblical Studies
18 units at the Intermediate and Advanced Levels [2-5000], (a) distributed across at least two of the three major categories of literature in each Testament [Law, Writings, Prophets; Gospels and Acts, Pauline Writings, Johannine Literature and General Epistles]; and (b) including at least two seminar courses that require major research essays. Please fill in course numbers from the attached transcript, noting any requirements waived at entrance. Total taken must still be 18 units.

OT Law: ____________________________ NT Gospels and Acts: ____________________________ Seminar Course #1: ____________________________
OT Writings: ____________________________ NT Pauline Writings: ____________________________ Seminar Course #2: ____________________________
OT Prophets: ____________________________ NT Johannine/Gen. Lit: ____________________________ Other: ____________________________

4. COURSEWORK outside Biblical Studies
12 units of coursework in other disciplines, normally from Historical & Cultural Studies of Religion, Theology & Ethics, or Religion & Practice Departments in the GTU; if coursework in these three departments is waived by the MA Biblical Languages Coordinator, these units may be directed toward collateral disciplines offering integrative possibilities within Biblical Studies [e.g., philosophical hermeneutics, social sciences, rhetoric, et. al.]
Please fill in course numbers from attached transcript.

(#1-4) Reviewed by MA Biblical Languages Coordinator: ____________________________

Signature: ____________________________ Date: ____________________________

5. ORAL examination
The completion of the MA in Biblical Languages is marked by an oral examination oriented around the student’s overall academic work in the program and a major research essay provided by the student for this purpose. A Request for Oral Exam Committee for MA Students in Biblical Languages form must be filed at the GTU Dean’s Office 90 days prior to the exam, and the exam must be taken by the Common M.A. thesis filing deadline (see GTU Extended Calendar).

☐ EXAM PASSED.

Date: ____________________________

6. FOREIGN LANGUAGE requirement
Proficiency in one foreign language must be certified by exam, petition, or coursework.

LANGUAGE: ____________________________ DATE CERTIFIED: ____________________________

7. TOTAL UNIT requirement
48 total units are required.

TOTAL NUMBER OF UNITS: ____________________________

Joint MA/MDiv students must have the number of units required for the MDiv at the school _____ + 24 MA units, for a total of ________ units.
See MA Program Handbook or contact the school’s Registrar to confirm MDiv units required.

8. TOTAL GPA requirement
The student’s cumulative GPA must be 3.0 or higher.

FINAL GPA: ____________________________

REMINDE RS: ☐ Attach grade report. ☐ Copy Checklist for student. ☐ Student should submit “Intent To Graduate” form.
☐ Student should submit “Request for Oral Examination Committee for MA Students in Biblical Languages” form.

Reviewed by GTU MA Program Coordinator: ____________________________ Signature: ____________________________ Date: ____________________________

All program requirements met for graduation: ____________________________

Signature: ____________________________ Date: ____________________________

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