

HISTORY OF CHRISTIANITY, M.A.

The History of Christianity MA program (44 credit hours) provides an opportunity for students to explore the contours of Christian history across two millennia in a liberal arts context. Over the course of two years, students will undertake rigorous and critical study of the history of the Christian church as it interacted with theological, social, political, intellectual, economic, gender, and cultural factors. Core courses will provide a comprehensive knowledge of Christian history and equip students with skills necessary for advanced historical work. Students will then have the foundation to progress in their understanding of the field through more in-depth seminar courses.

In addition to the pursuit of academic excellence, skills for service in the church and society worldwide will be fostered. Those who excel in the program will be prepared to undertake doctoral work in the history of Christianity, historical theology, and history.

Faculty

Program Director, Professor of Theology, George Kalantzis
 Professor of Theology, Jeffrey W. Barbeau
 Professor of Theology, Marc Cortez
 Carolyn and Fred McManis Professor of Christian Thought, Professor of History, Timothy Larsen
 Franklin S. Dyrness Associate Professor in Biblical and Theological Studies, Jennifer Powell McNutt
 Gunther H. Knoedler Professor of Theology, Daniel Treier
 Adjunct Professors, James Arcadi, Joel Chopp, Jeremy Lundgren

Requirements

The History of Christianity MA, requires 44 hours:

Code	Title	Credits
Core Courses		24
BITH 533 or BITH 638	Exploring the Old Testament Old Testament Theology	4
BITH 555 or BITH 648	Exploring the New Testament New Testament Theology	4
BITH 565	Christian Theology	4
BITH 578	Global Church History	4
BITH 657	Historical Theology: Patristic and Medieval	4
BITH 658	Historical Theology: Reformation and Modern	4
History of Christianity Courses		20
BITH 686	Historiography	4
BITH 581	The Reformation	4
BITH 677	Topics in the History of Christianity	4
BITH 679 or BITH 677	Seminar in Historical Theology Topics in the History of Christianity	4
Elective (restricted to BITH courses)		4
Capstone Elements		
BITH 692	Graduate Comprehensive Exam (Students should not take the exam before they have completed 32 credits of the program.)	0