Master of Arts in Biblical and Theological Studies Brewton-Parker College Program Proposal

Description: The 48 credit hour Master of Arts in Biblical and Theological Studies is a research focused program that adheres to the Baptist Faith and Message 2000 with the purpose of augmenting biblical preaching and teaching in the church or general ministry, teaching in a Christian school, or preparing the student for pursuit of advanced degrees. The student will work in concert with an adviser to focus the curriculum toward a specific end goal.

Program Learning Outcomes:

- Demonstrate knowledge of the Old Testament and New Testament books and content, the historical framework of the biblical period, important theological emphases, as well as an understanding of scholarly critical issues from a conservative biblical perspective.
- Develop an exegetical and hermeneutical framework for interpretation and application of scriptures.
- Complete a graduate-level thesis focused upon a contribution to a selected area of biblical and theological studies.

Admission Requirements:

- Completion of Brewton-Parker application process; and in addition:
- Completion of an accredited or recognized bachelor's degree or an appropriate master's program.
- Grade point average of 2.5
- Autobiographical testimony of salvation and reason for pursuing MABTS.
- Affirmation of an approved doctrinal statement.
- Affirmation of BPC Christian Conduct Code (as found in Student Handbook.)

Graduation Requirements:

- Complete all education requirements as required by the Brewton-Parker catalog.
- Completion of program with a cumulative 2.5 gpa.
- Completion of each required core course with a minimum grade of C range or higher.
- Minimum of 33% of the program must be completed at BPC.
- Program time limit is four years.

Curriculum:

Required			credit hours
	Old Testament Introduction and Interpretation		3
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	Hermeneutics		3
	Systematic Theology I		3
	Systematic Theology II		3
Languages	(dependent upon concentration, substitutions may be allowed)		
	Greek I		3
	Greek II		3
	Hebrew I		3
	Hebrew II		3
Concentration	(Students will need a combination of 18 hours from the following categories)		18
	Bible Elective Courses		
	Theology Elective Courses		
	Five Ministry Electives if transferred from MAM		
Thesis			3
		total	48