



HOUSTON CHRISTIAN UNIVERSITY DEGREE PLAN
BACHELOR OF ARTS (BA) IN THEOLOGICAL STUDIES
CATALOG YEAR: 2025-2026

NAME: _____ H#: _____ DATE: _____

Candidates for a single major undergraduate baccalaureate degree must complete a total of at least 120 credit hours along with the following requirements:

- No fewer than 30 semester hours of upper-level (3000 or 4000) courses.
- No more than 6 credit hours in Kinesiology activity courses or other student activity hours will count towards the 120-credit hour requirement.
- Complete the Liberal Arts Core Requirements
- Complete a minimum of 30 hours or 25% of the required hours, whichever is greater, of residency at HCU including at least 12 upper-level hours in the major.
- Cumulative GPA of at least 2.00 with no grade below "C" in courses required for the major.
- If completing a MINOR, at least 9 upper-level hours of residency at HCU included in the minor with a grade of "C" or higher in all courses.

Once admitted and enrolled at HCU, each student MUST:

- Receive prior approval for any courses taken at another institution (up to 18 total credit hours only).
- File a degree plan with the Office of Academic Records before 60 credit hours have been completed.
- File an application to graduate at least one (1) semester before anticipated date of graduation.

LIBERAL ARTS CORE REQUIREMENTS: *Course must be completed with a "C" or higher

COURSES	HOURS	COURSES	HOURS
*ENGL 1313 Composition and Literature I	3	*MATH 1305 Math for Critical Thinking or higher or *PHIL 1305 Logic and Quantitative Reasoning	3
*ENGL 1323 Composition and Literature II	3	Natural Science with Lab	4
ENGL 2315 or 2325 Great Works of Literature I or II	3	GOVT 2313 American & Texas Government	3
PHIL 1313 Introduction to Philosophy	3	HIST 2311 Western Civilization I	3
CHRI 1301 Introduction to the Bible	3	Additional History (Choose 1): HIST 2312, HIST 2313, HIST 2323	3
CHRI 2373 Christian Theology & Tradition	3	ART 2343 Art Appreciation or MUSI 1331 Music Appreciation	3
PSYC 1313 General Psychology or CHRI 1333 The Good Life and Happiness	3	COMM 1323 Rhetoric & Public Speaking or CLAS 1343 Ancient Rhetoric for Modern People	3
		TOTAL HOURS IN LIBERAL ARTS CORE	43

Students transferring to Houston Christian University with 45 or more hours of transferable college credit are only required to take CHRI 3300, Introduction to Bible and Theology, to meet their Liberal Arts Core Curriculum Christianity requirements.

MAJOR REQUIREMENTS: All courses within major must be completed with a "C" or higher

COURSE #	COURSE NAME	HOURS
CHRI 3311	Hermeneutics	3
CHRI 3301	Old Testament Theology	3
CHRI 3302	New Testament Theology	3
CHRI 3314	History of Christianity	3
CHRI 3325	The Christian Vocation	3
CHRI 4335	Systematic Theology	3
	BIBLICAL LANGUAGES – Six (6) hours from one language GREK 2312 and 2322 Greek I and II or HEBR 2312 and 2322 Hebrew I and II or LATN 1311 and 1323 Elementary Latin I and II	6
	THEOLOGICAL STUDIES – Twelve (12) hours from Theological Studies courses, for example: CHRI 4345 Christian Ethics CHRI 4351 Apostolic Fathers CHRI 4355 Trinitarianism CHRI 4356 Luther, Calvin, and the Reformation CHRI 4363 Philosophy of Religion CHRI 4382 Special Topics CHRI 4383 Baptist History	12
	SPIRITUAL FORMATION – Must take four (4) times CHRI 3190 Spiritual Formation	4
CHRI 4293	Senior Seminar: Heart of Christianity	2
	Three (3) additional hours of CHRI, GREK, HEBR, APOL, ARAM, LATN, OR CLAS	3
	TOTAL HOURS IN MAJOR	45
	ELECTIVE HOURS REQUIRED	32
	TOTAL HOURS IN DEGREE	120

OTHER GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS:

- Community Life and Worship (CLW) points: 80 credits required for graduation (at least 50 points must be CLW-A earned through worship events, up to 30 points may be CLW-B earned through community life events).
- FYS 1300 Freshman Year Seminar is required for all students enrolling at HCU with fewer than thirty (30) completed semester hours. College credit earned prior to high school graduation does not count toward the 30-hour requirement. Students enrolled in 100% online degree programs will take a three-hour course, ONLN 1300 Introduction to Online Learning, in place of FYS 1300.

BY SIGNING BELOW, YOU ACKNOWLEDGE THAT YOU HAVE READ AND AGREE TO ABIDE BY ALL REQUIREMENTS ON THE DEGREE PLAN. THIS DEGREE PLAN IS NOT VALID UNTIL RECEIVED & PROCESSED BY THE OFFICE OF ACADEMIC RECORDS.

STUDENT SIGNATURE _____

DATE _____

ACADEMIC ADVISOR _____

DATE _____

Office of Academic Records Use Only Processed by: _____ Date: _____