

## SAMPLE PROGRAM SCHEDULE

### MASTER OF ARTS IN CHRISTIAN APOLOGETICS

### DISTANCE LEARNING – INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

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Please note that the following schedules are suggestions. Students who want to take greater or lesser workloads may do so (with the assistance of academic advising). New students are requested to contact the Apologetics department at 888.332.4652 to make an appointment with Bo Lee for advising.

#### OPTION I: STARTING IN FALL TERM (see page 3 for Option II: Starting in Spring Term)

##### Fall Term, Year I

AP 510 MD/ Apologetics Research & Writing	1 unit*
AP 521 MD/ Survey of Genesis – Malachi	3 units
AP 550 MD/ Historical Theology	3 units
Total units: 7	

##### Spring Term, Year I (First semester of Track One)

AP 629 A MD/ Scientific Apologetics <i>or</i> AP MD/Elective	1 unit
AP 643 A MD/ Cultural Apologetics	1 unit
AP 626 A MD/ Ethics	1 unit
AP 691 A MD/ In Defense of the Resurrection	1 unit
AP 680 A MD/ Special Topics in Apologetics	1 unit
AP 604 MD/ Defending the Faith Lecture Series I	2 units**
AP 604 MD/ Defending the Faith Lecture Series II	2 units**
Total units: 9	

##### Summer Module Session (Track One)

Attend the on-campus component of the following courses on Biola’s campus:

- MD/ Scientific Apologetics *or* AP MD/ Elective
- MD/ Cultural Apologetics
- MD/ Ethics
- MD/ In Defense of the Resurrection
- MD/ Special Topics in Apologetics

##### Fall Term, Year II (Second semester of Track One)

AP 629 B MD/ Scientific Apologetics <i>or</i> AP MD/Elective	1 unit
AP 643 B MD/ Cultural Apologetics	1 unit
AP 626 B MD/ Ethics	1 unit
AP 691 B MD/ In Defense of the Resurrection	1 unit
AP 680 B MD/ Special Topics in Apologetics	1 unit
Total units: 5	

**Spring Term, Year II** (First semester of Track Two)

AP 529 A MD/ Scripture: Authority, Canon, & Criticism	1 unit
AP 541 A MD/ Essential Christian Doctrine I	1 unit
AP 542 A MD/ Essential Christian Doctrine II	1 unit
AP 625 A MD/ Philosophy of Religion <i>or</i> AP MD/ Elective	1 unit
AP 680 A MD/ Special Topics in Apologetics	1 unit
AP 522 MD/ Survey of New Testament: Gospels <i>or</i> Epistles	3 units***
AP 604 MD/ Defending the Faith Lecture Series III	2 units**

Total units: 10

**Summer Module Session** (Track Two)

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- MD/ Essential Christian Doctrine I
- MD/ Essential Christian Doctrine II
- MD/ Philosophy of Religion *or* AP MD/ Elective
- MD/ Special Topics in Apologetics

**Fall Term, Year II** (Second semester of Track Two)

AP 529 B MD/ Scripture: Authority, Canon, & Criticism	1 unit
AP 541 B MD/ Essential Christian Doctrine I	1 unit
AP 542 B MD/ Essential Christian Doctrine II	1 unit
AP 625 B MD/ Philosophy of Religion <i>or</i> AP MD/ Elective	1 unit
AP 680 B MD/ Special Topics in Apologetics	1 unit

Total units: 5

**Total Units: 36**

Graduate with the Master of Arts in Christian Apologetics!

\*It is highly recommended that students take Apologetics Research & Writing as early as possible in their plan of study. It proves quite helpful in preparing students for work in later courses.

\*\*Defending the Faith is an *optional* elective that can be taken during either Spring or Fall semesters. Another option for elective credit is taking a Special Weekend Seminar. These courses take place on Biola University’s campus over a Thursday evening, Friday evening, and all day Saturday. After this brief time on campus, the remainder of the work is completed from home and sent back to the department. These Weekend Seminars are typically offered twice in a semester.

\*\*\*AP 522 Survey of New Testament: Gospels *or* Epistles, is actually two separate courses (Gospels or Epistles). One of these is sufficient to fulfill the program requirement. The other may be taken for elective credit.

**Note:** Following the standard modular format (Track One and Track Two) *typically* means that a student beginning in the Fall semester will need 5 semesters to complete the degree program. However, students beginning in the Spring can complete the program in 5 semesters.

**OPTION II: STARTING IN SPRING TERM****Spring Term, Year I** (First semester of Track One)

AP 629 A MD/ Scientific Apologetics <i>or</i> AP MD/Elective	1 unit
AP 643 A MD/ Cultural Apologetics	1 unit
AP 626 A MD/ Ethics	1 unit
AP 691 A MD/ In Defense of the Resurrection	1 unit
AP 680 A MD/ Special Topics in Apologetics	1 unit
AP 510 MD/ Apologetics Research & Writing	1 unit*
AP 521 MD/ Survey of Genesis – Malachi	3 units

Total units: 9

**Summer Module Session** (Track One)

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MD/ Scientific Apologetics <i>or</i> AP MD/ Elective
MD/ Cultural Apologetics
MD/ Ethics
MD/ In Defense of the Resurrection
MD/ Special Topics in Apologetics

**Fall Term, Year I** (Second semester of Track One)

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AP 643 B MD/ Cultural Apologetics	1 unit
AP 626 B MD/ Ethics	1 unit
AP 691 B MD/ In Defense of the Resurrection	1 unit
AP 680 B MD/ Special Topics in Apologetics	1 unit
AP 522 MD/ Survey of New Testament: Gospels <i>or</i> Epistles	3 units***
AP 604 MD/ Defending the Faith Lecture Series I	2 units**

Total units: 10

**Spring Term, Year II** (First semester of Track Two)

AP 529 A MD/ Scripture: Authority, Canon, & Criticism	1 unit
AP 541 A MD/ Essential Christian Doctrine I	1 unit
AP 542 A MD/ Essential Christian Doctrine II	1 unit
AP 625 A MD/ Philosophy of Religion <i>or</i> AP MD/ Elective	1 unit
AP 680 A MD/ Special Topics in Apologetics	1 unit
AP 604 MD/ Defending the Faith Lecture Series II	2 units**
AP 604 MD/ Defending the Faith Lecture Series III	2 units**

Total units: 9

**Summer Module Session** (Track Two)

Attend the on-campus component of the following courses on Biola's campus:

MD/ Scripture: Authority, Canon, & Criticism
MD/ Essential Christian Doctrine I
MD/ Essential Christian Doctrine II
MD/ Philosophy of Religion <i>or</i> AP MD/ Elective
MD/ Special Topics in Apologetics

**Fall Term, Year II** (Second semester of Track Two)

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AP 550 MD/ Historical Theology	3 units

Total units: 8

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**Note:** For Option II: Starting in Spring Term, if full-time student status (nine units minimum) is required for each semester, the two units for Defending the Faith Lecture Series I can be divided, with one unit earned during Fall Term Year I and one unit during Fall Term Year II.