MD/MTS

Approved: September 7, 2022

Name of Degree: Master of Theological Studies (MTS). Must be organized and discussed early in the second year to allow time for applications and approvals.

Options/Tracks within the Degree Program: Masters of Theological Studies. If a student elects to complete the one-year certificate, they must be approved to do so during their third year scholarly research year. The certificate option is not considered a dual degree.

Course of Study: Year one: enrolled solely at Divinity and taking a full-time graduate course load (typically 8 courses, (may overload). Identify a third year mentor and propose third year project. **Year Two:** Dually enrolled in third year scholarly research program and at the Divinity School; take remaining courses to complete Master of Theological Studies (MTS); Complete mentored third year project leading to medical school thesis. Complete 3rd year required courses on data analysis (fall) and EBM (spring); Take the USMLE exams (timing at the students' discretion). Master's Thesis required at both schools.

Location: Duke Divinity School (must be approved by Third Year Committee prior to the start of the program)

Length of the program: Two Years. The student enrolls during the first year of the dual degree program at the Divinity School only. During the second year of the MD/MTS program, the student is dually enrolled at Divinity and the School of Medicine. Since this is a Duke dual degree, the student is not placed on leave of absence during the first year. They are not active in the School of Medicine.

Total time to Graduate: Typically, five years

Tuition Arrangements: Full tuition for both programs is paid independently to the two schools

Financial Aid: Eligible and can apply for financial aid. Only one school processes the federal aid. For more information about Financial Aid, please contact finaid-som@dm.duke.edu.

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