

# Certificate of Theology (graduate)

Masters Level

## Portfolio Transcript

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The Certificate of Theology, Master's Level (C.Th.) is granted for demonstration of an initial set of competencies associated with doing biblical theology and theology in culture.

General objectives of all Antioch School programs:

- Comprehensive development in character, skills, and knowledge for effective ministry.
- Life development and lifelong learning orientation.
- Recognition of and participation in the centrality of the local church in the plan of God.
- Ability to master biblical content, to benefit from significant contributions of scholars, and to build strategic models of ministry accordingly.

The general objective of Theology Degrees is to help train those who desire to understand thoroughly the unfolding message of Scripture itself as a guidebook for life and ministry, paying special attention to the implications of that message in one's personal life, ministry, and culture.

Specific program objectives of the C.Th.:

- Master Scripture using a biblical theology approach at an initial level, which allows the teaching of the Bible to unfold naturally according to author's intention and literary design with special attention to genre and overarching themes of each Bible book.
- Reflect on contributions of leading scholars regarding biblical theology and theology in culture.
- Address basic issues related to biblical theology and theology in culture and analyze Scripture and other contributions related to those issues.
- Formulate conclusions and personal applications regarding those basic issues.

The following is a list of competencies to be demonstrated in order to earn the degree:

## Semester Hours of Credit

LIFE AND MINISTRY DEVELOPMENT

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All programs are built on the foundation of a Life and Ministry Development Portfolio System that includes a personal Motivated Abilities Pattern (MAP) from SIMA International's System for Identifying Motivated Abilities (SIMA®), and Life<sup>n</sup>.

The SIMA® Motivated Abilities Pattern (MAP) helps you identify your own unique design and abilities. The SIMA 10-Step Program demonstrates your ability to use insights from your MAP to understand yourself and to develop your life and ministry.

Life<sup>n</sup> is a tool designed to help participants think deeply about their lives in six strategic steps and thereby create a unique life development plan and portfolio to guide them in fulfilling their life purposes in every area of life: individual life, family life, local community life, and life lived with purpose in the world community.

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### Select One

#### MAP501 Motivated Abilities Pattern (Consultant Assessed)

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At the beginning of each program, students obtain a certified Motivated Abilities Pattern (MAP) through the process of recalling autobiographical achievements; written data and oral data are assessed by a SIMA consultant, to show the student's preferred subject matter, the abilities the student instinctively uses, the circumstances and relationships the student thrives in, and the results the student is driven to achieve.

- \_\_\_\_ 1. *Steps 1-2*: Identified 20 summaries of activities that you yourself did in order to achieve something that was enjoyable or satisfying to you. Expanded on 8 of your summaries by providing details of how you got involved in each activity, how you went about doing each activity, and what was most satisfying to you about each activity.
- \_\_\_\_ 2. Your Consultant-Assessed MAP files will be uploaded to this course module by Antioch School staff once the process has been completed.

#### MAP502 Motivated Abilities Pattern (Computer Assessed)

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At the beginning of each program, students obtain a Motivated Abilities Pattern (MAP) through the process of recalling autobiographical achievements; assessment of written data is computer assisted, to show the student's preferred subject matter, the abilities the student instinctively uses, the circumstances and relationships the student thrives in, and the results the student is driven to achieve.

- \_\_\_\_ 1. *Steps 1-2*: Identified 20 summaries of activities that you yourself did in order to achieve something that was enjoyable or satisfying to you. Expanded on 8 of your summaries by providing details of how you got involved in each activity, how you went about doing each activity, and what was most satisfying to you about each activity.
- \_\_\_\_ 2. Your Computer-Assessed MAP files will be uploaded to this course module by Antioch School staff once the process has been completed.

#### MAP503 Motivated Abilities Pattern (Self Assessed)

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At the beginning of each program, students generate a Motivated Abilities Pattern (MAP) through the process of recalling autobiographical achievements; written data is self assessed using the booklet *Identifying Who You Are Designed to Be* and reviewed with a group of peers, to show the student's preferred subject matter, the abilities the student instinctively uses, the circumstances and relationships the student thrives in, and the results the student is driven to achieve.

- \_\_\_\_\_ 1. *Steps 1-2*: Identified 20 summaries of activities that you yourself did in order to achieve something that was enjoyable or satisfying to you. Expanded on 8 of your summaries by providing details of how you got involved in each activity, how you went about doing each activity, and what was most satisfying to you about each activity.
  - \_\_\_\_\_ 2. *Steps 3-7*: Analyzed your 8 expansions in order to identify patterns of recurring subject matter, abilities, circumstances, operating relationships, and primary results that motivate you.
  - \_\_\_\_\_ 3. *Step 8 (Conclusion)*: Integrated your top motivated subject matter, abilities, circumstances, operating relationships, and primary results into a summary that displays your whole motivated abilities pattern. Used your summary to plan to sharpen your understanding of your own unique design and its implications for your further life development.
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#### LN501 Life<sup>n</sup> Initial Plan

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Initial work with the Life<sup>n</sup> tool, including completion of six steps.

- \_\_\_\_\_ 1. Constructed your timeline and a written narrative, interpreting your story to understand your past and understand where you are going in the future. (Step 1)
- \_\_\_\_\_ 2. Created a Unique Life Purpose Statement that includes individual purpose, family purpose, community purpose, and world community purpose. (Step 2)
- \_\_\_\_\_ 3. Created or acquired a written Motivated Abilities Pattern, to understand who you are designed to be, how to become the person you are designed to be, and applied that knowledge by writing a personal lifework vision. (Step 3)
- \_\_\_\_\_ 4. Built a life development portfolio, identifying the investments you will make in the four building blocks of life: the individual, the family, the local community, and the world community. (Step 4)
- \_\_\_\_\_ 5. Developed a Life Development Master Plan (your strategy), pulling together your unique Life Purpose Statement; setting lifelong and long-range goals around your individual, family, community, and world community intentions; and designed a natural life rhythm (your habits) to accomplish them. (Steps 5 and 6)

## CORE TRAINING MODULES (LEADERSHIP SERIES I COURSES)

12

These competencies are associated with outcomes of BILD Leadership Series I course modules that help students employ the New Testament as a manual for church development, particularly through the keys taught in the Book of Acts and the Pauline Epistles.

See portfolio transcripts for each degree for complete lists of competencies associated with each course.

**LSM501 Acts: Keys to the Establishment and Expansion of the First Century Church**

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Determined the fundamental biblical principles regarding the mission of the Church and its role in missions and developed guidelines and strategies from these principles for a local church's involvement.

- Developed a basic understanding of biblical keys to the establishment and expansion of the first-century Church and how to use these keys in the establishment and expansion of the global Church.
- Designed a model to use as a guide in planting and establishing churches today from the core elements of Paul's strategy used on his missionary journeys.
- Determined a biblical definition for missionary and missionary work.
- Developed convictions on the role of the local church in missions today and designed a model for how a local church could be central and vitally involved in missions, while networking with other churches and mission agencies.

- \_\_\_\_\_ 1. Developed an understanding of keys to the effective establishment and expansion of the first-century Church from Acts.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 2. Developed an understanding of the centrality of the local Church in God's plan for this age.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 3. Developed an understanding of the core model: the pauline strategy.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 4. Developed an understanding of policy guidelines for networking, organizations, and the local Church.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 5. Determined the fundamental biblical principles regarding the mission of the Church and its role in missions and developed guidelines and strategies from these principles for a local church's involvement.

**LSM502 Pauline Epistles: Strategies for Establishing Churches**

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Determined the fundamental biblical principles for growing and strengthening (establishing) a church to maturity and developed a strategy for implementing the biblical forms and functions of a church necessary to make and keep it strong.

- Developed a biblical understanding of Paul's concept of establishing local churches, while discerning the difference between what Paul understood to be normative for all churches in every culture and generation and what he intended to be merely cultural for his time and situation.
- Developed a biblical understanding of how the Church fits into the overall plan and eternal purposes of God.
- Developed a biblical understanding of the philosophy that is to drive the ministry of the Church and the guidelines (i.e. "house order") by which each local church is to abide.
- Brought all of this biblical understanding together into a contemporary model for establishing local churches in the twenty-first century, including general procedures consistent with Paul's establishing model and normative "house order" instructions.

- \_\_\_\_\_ 1. Developed an understanding of Paul's concept of establishing Churches.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 2. Developed an understanding of form and freedom of a New Testament local Church.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 3. Developed an understanding of setting in order the household of God.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 4. Developed an understanding of additional guidelines for the household of God.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 5. Determined the fundamental biblical principles for growing and strengthening (establishing) a church to maturity and developed a strategy for implementing the biblical forms and functions of a church necessary for making and keeping it strong.

### LSM503 Understanding the Essentials of Sound Doctrine

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Built a contemporary didache—the term used by the Early Church to refer to a church manual to establish believers in the essentials of the apostles' teaching. This contemporary didache must be founded solidly upon the faith delivered by the Apostles, seasoned by the historical effort of the church, and be eminently relevant to our present cultural situations.

- Gained an understanding of the preaching (kerygma) and the teaching (didache) of the Apostles—the core doctrines—and their importance to churches of every generation, summarizing the doctrines in statement form, which will be used as a foundation for all contemporary theological formulations.
- Wrote a modern kerygma/didache type doctrinal statement, which can be used by churches as a guide for establishing believers in their faith, for doing theology as a community of believers, and for aiding all believers in beginning their own practical theology for everyday life.
- Gained an appreciation for the historical effort of the Church as it has sought, through the centuries, to provide the Church of its generation with a relevant understanding and defense of the faith delivered by the Apostles.
- Laid out a strategy for establishing everyone in a local church in both the gospel (kerygma) and the essential teaching of Christ and His Apostles (the didache), as well as understood how the BILD curriculum grows out of the didache.

\_\_\_\_ 1. Developed an understanding of tradition, patterns, and sound doctrine in the Early Church.

\_\_\_\_ 2. Developed an understanding of kerygma–didache type statement of faith.

\_\_\_\_ 3. Developed an understanding of twenty-first century didache.

\_\_\_\_ 4. Developed an understanding of the First Principles Series.

\_\_\_\_ 5. Built a contemporary didache—the term used by the Early Church to refer to a church manual to establish believers in the essentials of the apostles' teaching. This contemporary didache must be founded solidly upon the faith delivered by the Apostles, seasoned by the historical effort of the church, and be eminently relevant to our present cultural situations.

### CORE TRAINING MODULES (LEADERSHIP SERIES II COURSES)

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These competencies are associated with the outcomes of BILD Leadership Series II course modules that help students utilize biblical theology to let the inspired message of Scripture unfold and a theology-in-culture orientation to complete the process of Scripture having its intended impact.

### LST601 Toward a Theology in Culture

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Developed a church-based approach to the task of mastering the Scriptures and then brought them to bear on the life and problems of churches who are living and ministering in their cultures, at a critical level with awareness of the immediate cultural and global trends that bear on the shaping of worldviews.

- Developed a clear understanding of what Paul meant by the perpetual passing on of the deposit and the role of faithful men in getting in-depth training and developing critical thinking over an extended period of time, with the view that these faithful men would keep churches and whole movements of churches on course, thus creating a perpetual preservation of the Apostles' doctrine.
- Developed an understanding of theological encyclopedia (what ought a minister of the gospel to study and in what order) and developed an integrated approach to the theological disciplines, which allows a logical and effective access to existing resources.
- Gained an understanding of the tremendous shifts that are taking place in theological studies at this time in history, the different traditions that are attempting to become the dominant new paradigms, and developed a method for building a belief framework and doing theology in culture that is both culturally relevant and remains true to the apostolic faith.
- Developed a perspective and method for guiding others in building their own belief frameworks and for beginning to build contemporary belief frameworks in their own cultural settings, including an extensive categorization for doing theology on an ongoing basis within that framework, as well as theology in their culture.

\_\_\_\_ 1. Developed an understanding of the centrality of the local Church in the theological enterprise.

\_\_\_\_ 2. Developed an understanding of the model: Paul's training of Timothy.

\_\_\_\_ 3. Developed an understanding of paradigm shifts in theological studies.

\_\_\_\_ 4. Developed an understanding of doing theology in culture.

\_\_\_\_ 5. Developed a church-based approach to the task of mastering the Scriptures and then brought them to bear on the life and problems of churches who are living and ministering in their cultures, at a critical level with awareness of the immediate cultural and global trends that bear on the shaping of worldviews.

## MINISTRY PRACTICUM (LEARNING BY DOING)

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Credit for learning that takes place through guided ministry experience, particularly related to implementation and impact of lessons learned elsewhere in the programs (such as in Leadership Series courses) using descriptions according to Kolb's model of experiential learning. Credit is granted at a rate of 1 semester hour of credit for each 45 hours of ministry practicum, in groups of 1 to 3 credits.

### MP501 Ministry Practicum

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Credit for learning that took place through guided ministry experience, particularly related to implementation and impact of lessons learned elsewhere in the programs (such as in Leadership Series courses) using descriptions according to Kolb's model of experiential learning. (Credit is granted at a rate of 1 semester hour of credit for each 45 hours of approved ministry practicum.)

\_\_\_\_ 1. Ministry practicum report that includes experience, reflections, concepts, and implementation.

**MP502 Ministry Practicum (as needed)**

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Credit for learning that took place through guided ministry experience, particularly related to implementation and impact of lessons learned elsewhere in the programs (such as in Leadership Series courses) using descriptions according to Kolb's model of experiential learning. (Credit is granted at a rate of 1 semester hour of credit for each 45 hours of approved ministry practicum.)

**Total Credits 20**