

**Time Limits.** A student must complete the requirements for the MA in Religion degree and graduate within six years of first enrolling in the program regardless of admission classification.

**Academic Advisement.** The director of the MA in Religion program, in cooperation with department chairs, assigns academic

## ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Admission to the MTh program is recommended to the program director by the department offering the applicant's desired area of emphasis. To be eligible for admission the student must hold a Master of Divinity degree (or its equivalent) from the Seventh-day Adventist Theological Seminary or another approved seminary or university with a final grade point average above 3.00 (on a 4.00 system), provide evidence of ability to engage in academic postgraduate study by supplying an acceptable research paper in the area in which further work is to be pursued, and demonstrate language proficiency in the following areas:

- 1. Biblical Languages.** Applicants to the MTh degree program must demonstrate advanced-level competence in either Greek or Hebrew as noted in the table above. The required competence may be demonstrated either by examination or by passing an advanced-level course in the chosen language with a grade of B or better.
- 2. Modern Languages.** Applicants to the MTh degree program must demonstrate (either by examination or by class work—FREN505 or GRMN505) a reading ability in either French or German (unless the language is the student's native and regularly used language).

Any language substitutions must be warranted by the student's program. Such substitutions require the approval of both the department chair in the area of emphasis and the MTh Program Director.

Students should complete the language prerequisites before beginning the program. If the prerequisites are not completed before the beginning of the second semester, the student is not permitted to continue his/her work in the program.

Applicants must also complete and return the Sixteen Personality Factor Questionnaire and the signed Release Agreement which are sent to the applicant after the initial application has been received.

**Admission Procedure.** Applicants must submit those items specified in the Graduate Programs Admission section of this bulletin on p. 46, and the general Seminary admission requirements on p. 293. In addition, they should submit transcripts of MDiv course work.

## DEGREE REQUIREMENTS

In addition to the scholarship standards in the Graduate Programs Academic Information section of this bulletin (p. 49), students must fulfill the following requirements for the MTh degree program:

- Complete a minimum of 32 credits (including 8 credits for thesis but not including language prerequisites) with a cumulative GPA of 3.00 or above.
- Take GSEM620 (to be done the first time the course is offered after enrollment in the program if the student has not previously taken this course or its equivalent).
- Select a major area of emphasis from among those listed above and complete 16 credits in that area.
- Select a cognate area from those listed above and complete 6-8 credits in this area which supports the area of emphasis.

Antiquities of the Jews (1912) by Josephus, trans. by William Whitby, 1912, Loeb Classical Library, Harvard University Press, 1912, 270 pp., \$12.00 (Int. Angl. Lit. Soc., 1912, 270 pp., \$12.00) (Release of substitution) 649.9(-TT)