

# CHRISTIAN APOLOGETICS (M.A.) (NON-THESIS)

**Important:** This degree plan is effective for those starting this degree program in fall 2025 through summer 2026. This degree plan will remain in effect for students who do not break enrollment or who do not change degree programs, concentrations, or cognates.

Code	Title	Hours
<b>Program Courses</b>		
APOL 500	Introduction to Apologetics	3
APOL 520	History of Christian Apologetics	3
APOL 550	Faith and Reason	3
APOL 610	Miracles	3
APOL 620	Evil, Suffering, and Hell	3
SEMI 505	Introduction to Ministry Studies <sup>1</sup>	3
SEMI 510	Tools for Ministry Studies	3
THEO 521	Foundations of Christian Theology	3
THEO 522	Essentials of Christian Theology	3
<i>Thesis or Capstone Courses</i>		
<i>Choose one of the following options:</i>		9
<i>Thesis Option</i>		
RTCH 680	Research Methods	
THES 689	Thesis Project Proposal and Research <sup>2</sup>	
THES 690	Thesis Defense <sup>2</sup>	
<i>Capstone Option</i>		
APOL 525	Pluralism and World Religions	
APOL 679	Apologetics Capstone	
Elective Course <sup>3</sup>		
<b>Total Hours</b>		<b>36</b>

<sup>1</sup> SEMI 505 is required to be taken within the first semester for all students.

<sup>2</sup> Any student who is not ready for enrollment in THES 690 after completing THES 689 may be required, as determined by the student's thesis chair, to repeat THES 689 until deemed ready for enrollment in THES 690.

<sup>3</sup> Choose a 500 - 600 level APOL or THEO course not already applying to the degree. RTCH 680 may also be used to fill this elective space.

All applicable prerequisites must be met

## Graduation Requirements

- Complete 36 hours
- A maximum of 50% of the program hours may be transferred if approved and allowable, including credit from an earned degree from Liberty University on the same academic level
- 3.0 GPA
- No more than two grades of C may be applied to the degree (includes grades of C+ & C-)
- No grade of D or below may be applied to the degree (includes grades of D+ & D-)
- Degree must be completed within 5 years

- Submission of Degree Completion Application must be completed within the last semester of a student's anticipated graduation date

## Program Offered in Online Format

### Course Sequence

Course	Title	Hours
<b>First Semester</b>		
APOL 500	Introduction to Apologetics	3
RTCH 500	Research, Writing, and Ministry Preparation <sup>1</sup>	3
APOL 520	History of Christian Apologetics	3
THEO 525	Systematic Theology I	3
<b>Hours</b>		<b>12</b>
<b>Second Semester</b>		
APOL 550	Faith and Reason	3
APOL 610	Miracles	3
THEO 530	Systematic Theology II	3
APOL or THEO Elective <sup>2</sup>		3
<b>Hours</b>		<b>12</b>
<b>Third Semester</b>		
APOL 525	Pluralism and World Religions	3
APOL 620	Evil, Suffering, and Hell	3
APOL 679	Apologetics Capstone	3
THEO 650	Public Theology	3
<b>Hours</b>		<b>12</b>
<b>Total Hours</b>		<b>36</b>

<sup>1</sup> RTCH 500 is required to be taken within the first two semesters for all students.

<sup>2</sup> Choose a 500-600 level APOL or THEO course not already applying to the degree.