

**Bethany Theological Seminary and Earlham School of Religion**  
**Master of Arts: Theopoetics and Writing (MATW) Curriculum, effective fall 2023**

**Summative Exercise (3 hours)**

MATW Project (final semester)	3	
	3	Hours Taken =

**Theopoetics and Writing Courses (21 hours)**

T215	Theopoetics	3	
T356	Theopoetics, Mythopoetics, Aesthetics	3	
WR course	200-level Writing course, from list below	3	
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5	Another course from list below	3	
6	Another course from list below	3	
7	Another course from list below	3	
		21	Hours Taken =

**General Electives (12 hours). These may be any Bethany/ESR courses, not just those on list below.**

1		3	
2		3	
3		3	
4		3	
		12	Hours Taken =

Total Hours Taken = **36**

**Course Options\***

- B210 Poetics of Jesus
- B2xx Biblical Interpretation through Visual Arts
- BS325 Sex, Gender, and Power in the Book of Esther
- H/T205 In Their Own Words: Readings in Christian History
- M120 Preaching, Theopoetics, and Society
- M326 Poet and Prophet: Building Bridges through Preaching and Public Discourse
- T216 Explorations in Theology, Theopoetics, and the Arts
- T208 Theater, Theology, and the Power of Public Performance
- T209 Methodologies in Theopoetics
- T217 Christian Themes in the Gallery, Contemporary Images in the Church
- T218 Spirituality and Ecology: Sabbath Poetry of Wendell Berry
- T226 Truth, Lies, and Trust in Storytelling
- T231 Theology and Poetics of Place
- T247 Science Fiction and Theology
- T257 Religion in Literary World of Octavia Butler
- T/P259 Art, Justice, and Peace
- T/P260 Literature of Non-Violence
- T272 The Holy Spirit, Imagination, and Creativity
- T279 Afrofuturism and Theology
- T/WR280 Poetry Writing Workshop
- T/P287 Narrative Ethics and Theopoetics
- T313 Narrative Theology and Theopoetics
- T/WR375 Composing a Life: Embodied Poetry
- WR220 Writing the Story
- WR230 Creative Non-Fiction
- WR240 Writing Public Theology
- WR250 Contemporary Spiritual Writing
- WR270 Applied Storytelling
- WR290 Writing Mental Illness
- WR350 Writing Seminar

\*Note: 300-level courses have prerequisites that may not be listed here; see catalog.

\*\*Two independent studies (6 credits total) are allowed for the MATW.