

**Bethany Theological Seminary and Earlham School of Religion**  
**Master of Arts: Theopoetics and Writing (MATW), effective fall 2025**

**Summative Exercise (3 hours)**

I915	MATW Project (final semester)	3
	Hours Taken =	3

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

T616	Theopoetics, Theology, and the Arts	3
T703	Imagination, Aesthetics, and Creativity	3
WR course	600-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
	Hours Taken =	21

**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
	Hours Taken =	12
Total Hours Taken =		<b>36</b>

**Course Options\***

B610	Poetics of Jesus
BS/PJ660	The Bible in American Political Discourse
BS725	Sex, Gender, and Power in the Book of Esther
BS790	Angels, Demons, and Other Worlds
H/T605	In Their Own Words: Readings in Christian History
M520	Preaching, Theopoetics, and Society
M726	Poet and Prophet: Building Bridges through Preaching and Public Discourse
T609	Methodologies in Theopoetics
T618	Spirituality and Ecology: Sabbath Poetry of Wendell Berry
T626	Truth, Lies, and Trust in Storytelling
T631	Theology and Poetics of Place
T647	Science Fiction and Theology
T657	Religion in Literary World of Octavia Butler
T/P660	Literature of Non-Violence
T679	Afrofuturism and Theology
T/WR681	Poetry Writing Workshop
T/P687	Narrative Ethics and Theopoetics
T713	Narrative Theology and Theopoetics
T716	Visual Theologies: From the Catacombs to Contemporary Art
WR620	Writing the Story
WR630	Creative Non-Fiction
WR640	Writing Public Theology
WR650	Contemporary Spiritual Writing
WR690	Writing Mental Illness
WR750	Writing Seminar

\*Note: 700-level courses have prerequisites that may not be listed here; see catalog.

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