

# Hartford Seminary

## Cooperative Master of Divinity Program

### with Yale Divinity School

### Advising Guidelines since 2010

**Important note:** This chart is intended to help students in the Cooperative M.Div. program make informed choices about courses they may take at Hartford Seminary that will satisfy core area degree requirements at Yale Divinity School. Students should be aware, however, that whether or not a Hartford Seminary course will meet a specific area requirement is a determination that is finally in the hands of YDS, and that decision is made after the student has applied and been admitted to YDS. This chart is a reliable guide of equivalency, *but not guarantees*. Course offerings and degree/ curricular requirements (or configurations) at all institutions change over time; therefore, this chart will be periodically updated by Hartford Seminary. Students should ask their advisors each academic year for the most recent version of this document.

#### YALE DIVINITY SCHOOL, Advising Guidelines

##### *YDS Master of Divinity – 72 term hours*

Requirements for the YDS Master of Divinity degree may be found in their current catalogue available online at [www.yds.edu](http://www.yds.edu).

Yale Divinity School	Hartford Seminary
<b>Area I. Biblical Studies</b> –12 hours Old Testament, New Testament and cognate studies	(SC- Scripture) – may take up to <i>6 credits</i> at HS Recommendation is that students take <i>either</i> the two semester sequence, “Hebrew Bible Survey I” (SC-519) and “Hebrew Bible Survey II” (SC-520), <i>or</i> “Living Word of the New Testament” (SC-530) at HS, but not both. The aim is to do one Testament at HS, the other at YDS.
<b>Area II. Theological Studies</b> – 12 hrs The development, thought, and institutional life of the Christian community; including theology, ethics, liturgical history, and denominational courses	Courses in Core Areas (TH-Theology) and (ET-Ethics) – may take up to <i>3 credits in theology</i> and <i>3 credits in ethics</i> at HS (for a total of 6 hours). <u>Note:</u> Students who take HI-565 (History and Polity of the UCC) may substitute this for the 3 credits that may be taken at HS in theology.
<b>Area III. Historical Studies</b> – 9 hours Studies in the historical substance of Christian faith and tradition.	Select courses in Core Areas (HI-History) and (TH-Theology) may be taken to fulfill this area - may take <i>up to 3 credits</i> at HS
<b>Area IV. Ministerial Studies</b> – 12 hours Studies in the work of the church and the various forms of its ministry in the world.	Courses in Core Area (AM-Arts of Ministry) may be taken to fulfill this area – may take up to <i>6 credits</i> at HS
<b>Area V. Comparative and Cultural Studies</b> – 9 hours. Comparative religions, religion and the arts, philosophy and religion, the study of personality, and the study of society.	Select courses in Core Areas of (RS-Religion and Society) and (CM-Christian-Muslim Relations), or courses in Islamic Studies and (WR-World Religions). May take up to <i>6 credits</i> at HS.
<b>Electives</b>	Electives – up to 9 credits at HS

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### Additional information:

- *Ministry Seminar* will transfer as either Area IV-Ministerial Practice (at YDS) or elective credit.
- *Dialogue in a World of Difference* will transfer to YDS as elective credit.
- Worship, Liturgy and Spirituality (WS) courses will transfer to YDS as elective credit.
- YDS is strict on distribution requirements across areas and less strict on specific courses.
- Online and week-long intensive courses taken after 9/07 will not be accepted for transfer at YDS.
- A minimum grade of B- must be earned in the course to be accepted at YDS.
- In order to transfer the maximum number of credits (36) to YDS, the student must be approved by the Hartford Seminary M.Div. Committee. Should one of our MA students, either not enrolled in the cooperative M.Div. program or failing to gain the endorsement of the HS M.Div. Committee, wish to transfer to Yale for the M.Div. degree, Yale will transfer at most 24 credits of their MA toward the M.Div.

### Area codes at HS:

AM	Arts of Ministry	RS	Religion and Society
CM	Christian-Muslim Relations	SC	Scripture
ET	Ethics	TH	Theology
HI	History	WR	World Religions
IS	Islamic Studies	WS	Liturgy, Worship and Spirituality