ORAL ROBERTS UNIVERSITY
DEGREE: **Bachelor of Arts**
MAJOR: **Christian Thought**
CONCENTRATION:

DEGREE PLAN SHEET 2026-2027
ORU Online & Lifelong Learning

TOTAL HOURS REQUIRED	122
Hours in general education	60
Hours in major	35
Hours in cognate	15
Hours in minor and/or electives	12

Name _____

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Advisor _____

SEMESTER TAKEN	COURSE CODE		COURSE TITLE	CREDIT HOURS
			YEAR 1, Fall Semester A	
	GEN		Intro to Whole Person Course	3
	HUM		Humanities Course	3
			YEAR 1, Fall Semester B	
	BIB	261	New Testament Introduction	3
			Minor/Elective (COMP 101 recommended)	3
			YEAR 1, Spring Semester A	
	BIB	222	Old Testament Introduction	3
	THE	104	Spirit-Empowered Living	2
	HPE	171	Discovering Health Fitness I	1
			YEAR 1, Spring Semester B	
	BIB	306	Hermeneutics	3
	THE	105	Spirit-Empowered Leadership	2
	HPE	172	Discovering Health Fitness II	1
			YEAR 1, Summer Semester A	
	COMP	102	Composition II***	3
			Social Sciences Elective*	3
			YEAR 1, Summer Semester B	
	HUM		Humanities Course	3
			Foreign Language (SPA/FRE 101; BIB 251)	3
			YEAR 2, Fall Semester A	
			Foreign Language (SPA/FRE 102; BIB 252)	3
			Course in Minor or Elective	3
			YEAR 2, Fall Semester B	
	CHRM		Teaching the Bible Major Elective	3
	MAT		Math Course (MAT 151 or 232)	3
			YEAR 2, Spring Semester A	
	THE	217	Seminar in Theological Research	3
			Civics Course	3
			YEAR 2, Spring Semester B	
	THE	313	Systematic Theology I	3
	THE	461	History of Christianity I	3
			YEAR 2, Summer Semester A	
	THE		Theology Major Elective	3
	THE	314	Systematic Theology II	3
			YEAR 2, Summer Semester B	
	THE	464	Prayer	3
			Laboratory Science Lecture**	3
			Laboratory Science Lab**	1
			YEAR 3, Fall Semester A	
	THE	353	History of Christianity in America	3
			Course in Minor or Elective	3
			YEAR 3, Fall Semester B	
	BIB		OT Major Elective	3
	COMP	303	Critical Reading and Writing	3
			YEAR 3, Spring Semester A	
	PHIL	302	Introduction to Philosophy	3
	COM	101	Oral Communication	3
			YEAR 3, Spring Semester B	
	PHIL	401	Ethics	3
	BIB		NT Major Elective	3
			YEAR 3, Summer Semester A	
	PHIL	470	Philosophy of Religion	3
	THE	398	Research Practicum	2
			YEAR 3, Summer Semester B	
	GEN		Scaffolded Interdisciplinary Course	3
	HPE	101	Fitness for Life I	1
			YEAR 4, Fall Semester A	
	GEN		Scaffolded Interdisciplinary Course	3
	HPE	102	Fitness for Life II	1
			YEAR 4, Fall Semester B	
	PHIL	473	Philosophy/Theology in Mod Culture	3
			Course in Minor or Elective	3
			YEAR 4, Spring Semester A	
	THE	499	Senior Paper	3
	GEN		Scaffolded Interdisciplinary Course	3
			YEAR 4, Spring Semester B	

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Above is a list of courses that must be taken in order to complete your degree. The order may change due to the availability of courses or previous college course work. However, it is suggested that you follow this degree plan format. Elective requirements may be fulfilled by transfer of credit or by taking courses of the student's choice from ORU's undergraduate online offerings. **(NOTE: This is not your transfer evaluation!)**

Please note that taking more than 8 credit hours per 7-week term is neither recommended nor allowed without petition.

KEY

* - One of the following transfers as a social sciences elective: BUS 201, FIN 244, PSY 201, SOC 101, SOC 201.
** - Students may choose from the following laboratory science courses: BIO 101, CHE 101, EVR 101, PSC 101.
*** - Students must either complete COMP 101 with "C" or higher or pass a placement exam in order to enroll in COMP 102.
T - Transferred
NA - Not applicable

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General Education				Credit Hours
Introduction to Whole Person Course (GEN 114 or GEN 115)				3
English (COMP 102*, 303*)				6
Foreign Language (Choose from Spanish, French, or Biblical Greek--both courses in the same language.)				6
Oral Communication (COM 101)				3
Humanities (HUM 201^, 202^, 203^, 204^, 999)				6
^At least 1 course must be chosen from the marked courses.				
Biblical Literature (BIB 222, 261)				6
Theology (THE 104, 105)				4
Laboratory Science (Choice of one of the following:)				4
	BIO	101	Principles of Biology Lecture and Laboratory*	
	CHE	101	Principles of Chemistry Lecture and Laboratory*	
	EVR	101	Introduction to Environmental Science Lecture and Laboratory*	
	PSC	101	Principles of Physical Science Lecture and Laboratory*	
Mathematics (MAT 151 or 232*)				3
Civics (Choose from GOV 101, 103; HIS 110, 111, 200)				3
Social Science Elective (Choice of one of the following:)				3
	BUS	201	Principles of Economics I	
	FIN	244	Personal Financial Planning	
	PSY	201	Introduction to Psychology	
	SOC	101	Introduction to Sociology	
	SOC	201	Marriage and the Family	
Scaffolded Interdisciplinary Courses (Requires 300 and/or 400-level GEN designated courses.)				9
Health and Physical Education				4
(HPE 171, 172*, 101*, 102*)				
			General Education Total	60
Major				
	PHIL	302	Introduction to Philosophy	3
	PHIL	401	Ethics	3
	PHIL	470	Philosophy of Religion	3
	PHIL	473	Philosophy/Theology in Modern Culture	3
	THE	313	Systematic Theology I	3
	THE	314	Systematic Theology II	3
	THE	353	History of Christianity in America	3
	THE	398	Research Practicum	2
	THE	461	History of Christianity I: Early Church	3
	THE	464	Prayer	3
	THE	499*	Senior Paper	3
Theology Major Elective (Choice of one of the following:)				3
	THE	303	Major Religions of the World	
	THE	415	Christian Apologetics	
			Major Total	35
Cognate				
	BIB	306	Hermeneutics	3
	BIB	___*	Elective in Old Testament (300/400 level course)	3
	BIB	___*	Elective in New Testament (300/400 level course)	3
	THE	217*	Seminar in Theological Research	3
Teaching the Bible Major Elective (Choice of one of the following:)				3
	CHRM	305	Teaching the Bible	
	CHRN	340	Sermon Preparation and Preaching	
			Cognate Total	15
Minor and/or Electives**				12
			Degree Total	122

*Course has prerequisite or corequisite requirements. See university catalog for details.

**Declaring a minor (18 hours required) will add credit hours to this degree plan.

All undergraduate students must complete a GO course. The recommended GO course for this program is SOC 101 or GOV 103.