

Knox College – Policies & Procedures

Policy: **MTS Integrative Projects**

Applies to: BD students (M.T.S.)

Approval & Responsible Individual: Faculty, January 2003.

Reference information:

Policy

It is the policy of Knox College that at the conclusion of the MTS program, students pursuing the program as a general educational degree must complete an integrative paper or project.

Procedures

The integrative paper or project is undertaken as a one-credit course in the last term of the student's program. The description of this project states: "*a displayed integration of two or more of the various disciplines in theological studies in the production of an integrative paper or project.*" The student should attempt to build on course work and study accomplished within the program and should define a project that displays some type of integration of fields of study undertaken during the program. As a guideline, a paper of 25-30 pages should be produced, or a project of comparable weight.

Suggested timeline (the timeline assumes completion of the MTS in the spring term)

1. The student registers in August for a reading and research course their final semester.
2. Prior to the final semester, the student discusses the project with his/her faculty advisor. The student then approaches a faculty member to supervise the project/paper as Project Advisor. The Project Advisor recommends a second reader. Both the second reader and Project Advisor will be from the Knox College faculty.
3. Regular consultation with the Project Advisor will take place, prior to the semester in which the project is being undertaken, and during the semester the student is registered for the project.
4. In consultation with the Project Advisor, the student produces a brief (1-2 page) proposal by the 3rd week of the semester in which the project is registered. This proposal is approved by both the Project Advisor and second reader. The proposal should specify the fields of study, the topic or focus of the project/paper, the final form of the project/paper, and the date on which it will be submitted. The approved proposal (with any corrections) will be forwarded to the Director of Academic Programs.

5. The completed project is due as agreed by the Faculty Advisor and second reader and as stated in the approved proposal. The evaluation of the completed proposal is done by the Project Advisor and second reader, who between them agree on the mark to be given.