



Master of Arts in Religious
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Master of Theological Studies

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the Catholic theological
tradition for an ecumenical
context...

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Study with an internationally renowned faculty

HISTORY

Saint Louis University is the oldest university west of the Mississippi River and is the second oldest Jesuit University in the United States. Theology has been the centerpiece of the University's mission since it was founded in 1818.

Today, the Department of Theological Studies seeks to impart the depth of the Christian tradition against the backdrop of the diversity of the world's religions, cultures and ethical frameworks.

FACULTY

Our faculty works closely with graduate students by mentoring them through all stages of their degrees. Our faculty is well-rounded, with experienced teachers and groundbreaking scholars in every major theological discipline — including scripture, theological ethics, sacramental theology, patristic theology, medieval theology, comparative theology and systematic theology. In addition, the department's faculty members have received numerous book awards, distinguished fellowships and research awards.

DEGREE TRACKS

At the Masters level the Department of Theological Studies offers two tracks:

(1) Master of Arts in Religious Education (MARE)

This degree program is geared toward students who want to work as a religious educator in a parish setting or a teacher of theology in Catholic schools. This interdisciplinary program offers students an introduction to the major fields of theological study, pedagogical training, and practical experience in a joint-degree with the School of Education.

(2) Master of Theological Studies (MTS):

Designed for students who seek a depth of knowledge in the Christian doctrinal tradition while pursuing a focused research agenda in preparation for future doctoral work. This program offers an ideal first degree in theology, orienting students to the major fields of theological study, including biblical studies, the history of Christianity, theological ethics and constructive theology.

FINANCES

Financial aid for MTS students is primarily given in the form of tuition scholarship. Students may receive partial or full tuition scholarship. A small number of research assistantship awards are also available.

MARE students who are educators in primary or secondary education, chairs of religion departments, and directors or coordinators of parish religious education programs are eligible for special **60% tuition discount** stemming from a partnership between Saint Louis University and the Archdiocese of St. Louis.

All students who apply to the program will be considered for financial aid. No separate application is required.

APPLICATION AND ADMISSION

An undergraduate degree in theology or religious studies is optimal, but we welcome applicants with a strong background in history, philosophy, or other humanities field.

MARE Program has year-round rolling admissions. The application deadline for the MTS program is **January 1**.*

** To be considered for financial assistance beyond the 60% tuition discount, it is recommended that MARE students apply by the January 1 deadline.*