



ST. JOHN'S UNIVERSITY

ST. JOHN'S COLLEGE OF
LIBERAL ARTS AND SCIENCES

Master of Arts in Theology



ABOUT THE M.A. IN THEOLOGY

St. John's University's graduate program in Theology combines the academic rigor of a world-class university with lively concern for informed and effective pastoral ministry in the 21st-century Church. The 33-credit Master of Arts program is designed to allow students flexibility in shaping the specific focus of their graduate studies, with concentration options in Biblical Studies, Pastoral Theology, or Theological Studies (which includes history, moral theology, systematic theology, and interfaith studies). Courses are conveniently scheduled in the late afternoon and evening on the Queens campus, and online courses are available.



WHAT CAN I DO WITH AN M.A. IN THEOLOGY?

Graduate students in the program come from diverse backgrounds and have a variety of professional goals, both religious and secular. Some continue their studies with doctoral degrees in theology or professional degrees in law or medicine.

Recent alumni of the program have applied their degrees in such varied settings as Winthrop University Hospital, CUNY, the Catholic Parish of New York, Chaminade High School, and Good Shepherd Hospice. They have careers as religion teachers, chaplains, campus ministers, priests, professors, and religious directors for a wide range of organizations.



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MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR

At St. John's, you receive the personalized attention you need to craft a program of graduate study in Theology and Religious Studies that is tailored to your professional interests and goals without sacrificing breadth of learning. You have the opportunity to work with faculty who are recognized leaders in the field and whose published works are widely known and respected. Our scholars and teachers model the commitment to academic excellence and professional development that we nurture in our students. Please join us!

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RESEARCH AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

As active scholars who publish widely in the field, our faculty members share their enthusiasm for scholarship by emphasizing the importance of each student's writing and research. Over the course of their programs, students develop portfolios that include samples of their own writing and accounts of how graduate study has fostered their professional development. Students also have the opportunity to pursue a specific research interest in depth by preparing a master's thesis under the direction of a faculty mentor.

ASSISTANTSHIPS, SCHOLARSHIPS, AND FINANCIAL AID

The University awards a limited number of research assistantships to highly qualified students each year. These positions provide tuition remission and/or a stipend. For more information about assistantships, as well as other types of financial aid and scholarship awards, please see the Graduate Bulletin (stjohns.edu/bulletin).

If you are a layperson employed in catechetical ministry, an ordained Roman Catholic priest or deacon, or a professed member of a religious order, you are automatically eligible to receive a substantial discount on the cost of graduate tuition at St. John's. Please contact the program director for further information.

PROGRAM INFORMATION AND APPLICATIONS

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