

THEOLOGY MAJOR (BA) - SECONDARY EDUCATION SPECIALIZATION

The Theology Major with a Specialization in Secondary Education is designed to prepare theology graduates to become outstanding high school theology teachers. Students fulfill the requirements of the theology major, concentrating on coursework most relevant to their future content areas of teaching, while also taking education courses designed to communicate pedagogical effectiveness.

Program Mission

The mission of the Theology Program is to teach Catholic theology "in a manner faithful to scripture, Tradition, and the Church's Magisterium" and thereby to provide "an awareness of the Gospel principles that will enrich the meaning of human life and give it a new dignity" (*Ex corde ecclesiae*, 20). Faithful to the Christian message as it has come to us through the church, the Theology Program introduces students to Catholic theology as an exercise in "faith seeking understanding." Mindful of its ethical obligations to the Church and the world, the program also seeks to foster ecumenical awareness and concern for Catholic Social Teaching and to prepare student majors for teaching, parish work, youth ministry, and graduate studies.

Program Outcomes

1. Students will achieve a knowledge base of theology.
2. Students will learn to apply theology.
3. Students will gain skills competency in theology.
4. Students will learn and apply the Church's doctrine of dialogue with non-Catholics as practice for more effective engagement with today's multicultural world.

The Requirements for a Theology Major with a Specialization in Secondary Education

Students who complete the specialization will receive a minor in Education.

Note: The minor must be applied for separately!

Code	Title	Hours
Theology Courses		
THEO-1100	Introduction to Theology	3
THEO-2000	Christian Moral Life	3
THEO-2100	Old Testament 1: Pentateuch	3
THEO-2150	New Testament I: Synoptic Gospels	3
Select one: Historical Studies		
THEO-3420	Hist of Catholic Church I: Apost-16th C	3
or THEO-3430	History Catholic Church II: Reform-Today	
Select one: Doctrinal Studies		
THEO-3620	Theology of the Church	3
or THEO-3680	Faith & Reason II	
or THEO-3640	Christ & the Trinity	
or THEO-3660	Mary, Mother of God	
THEO-3820	Christianity & World Religions	3
THEO-3200	Sacraments & Liturgy	3

THEO-3220	Christian Marriage	3
THEO-3260	Catholic Social Teaching	3
or THEO-3940	Christian Bioethics	
THEO-4500	Theology Seminar	3
THEO-4457	Methods of Teaching Theology	2
Theology Elective ¹		3
Education Courses		
EDUC-2200	Introduction to Education	2
EDUC-2201	Intro Educational Research & Field Exper	1
EDUC-2220	Psychoeducational Development	3
EDUC-2222	Intro to K-12 Special Education	3
EDUC-3357	General Secondary Methods & Media	3
EDUC-3358	General Secondary Meth & Pract FldyGeneral Secondary Meth & Media Practicum	1
EDUC-4455	Differentiated Instruction	2
EDUC-4462	Classroom Management	2
Total Hours		55

¹ Any THEO or EVCA course of 3 or more credit hours except THEO-2010 Biblical Hebrew I.

Course	Title	Hours
Freshman Year		
First Semester		
ENGL-1010	English Composition	3
THEO-1100	Introduction to Theology	3
Historical Foundation		3
Foreign Language		4
EXSC Fitness Course		1
EXSC-1115	Wellness for Life	1
Hours		15
Second Semester		
Aesthetic Foundation		3
Foreign Language		4
Historical Foundation		3
PHIL-2100	Principles of Nature	3
THEO-2100	Old Testament 1: Pentateuch	3
Hours		16
Sophomore Year		
First Semester		
Person and Community Foundation		3
Philosophical Inquiry Foundation		3
THEO-2150	New Testament I: Synoptic Gospels	3
Natural World Foundation		4
EDUC-2200	Introduction to Education	2
EDUC-2201	Intro Educational Research & Field Exper	1
Hours		16
Second Semester		
Aesthetic Foundation		3
Theology – Doctrinal		3
THEO-2000	Christian Moral Life	3

Electives		8
Hours		17
Junior Year		
First Semester		
Theology – Historical		3
Philosophical Inquiry Foundation		3
Natural World Foundation		3-4
Electives		3
EDUC-2220	Psychoeducational Development	3
Hours		15-16
Second Semester		
Theology elective		3
THEO-3820	Christianity & World Religions	3
THEO-3200	Sacraments & Liturgy	3
Mathematical Reasoning Foundation		3
Electives		3
EDUC-2222	Intro to K-12 Special Education	3
Hours		18
Senior Year		
First Semester		
Theology electives		3
EDUC-3357	General Secondary Methods & Media	3
EDUC-3358	General Secondary Meth & Pract FldýGeneral Secondary Meth & Media Practicum	1
THEO-3220	Christian Marriage	3
THEO-3260 or THEO-3940	Catholic Social Teaching or Christian Bioethics	3
Philosophical Inquiry Foundation		3
Hours		16
Second Semester		
THEO-4500	Theology Seminar	3
THEO-4457	Methods of Teaching Theology	2
EDUC-4455	Differentiated Instruction	2
EDUC-4462	Classroom Management	2
Electives		7
THEO-COMP	Senior Comprehensive Exam	0
Hours		16
Total Hours		129-130