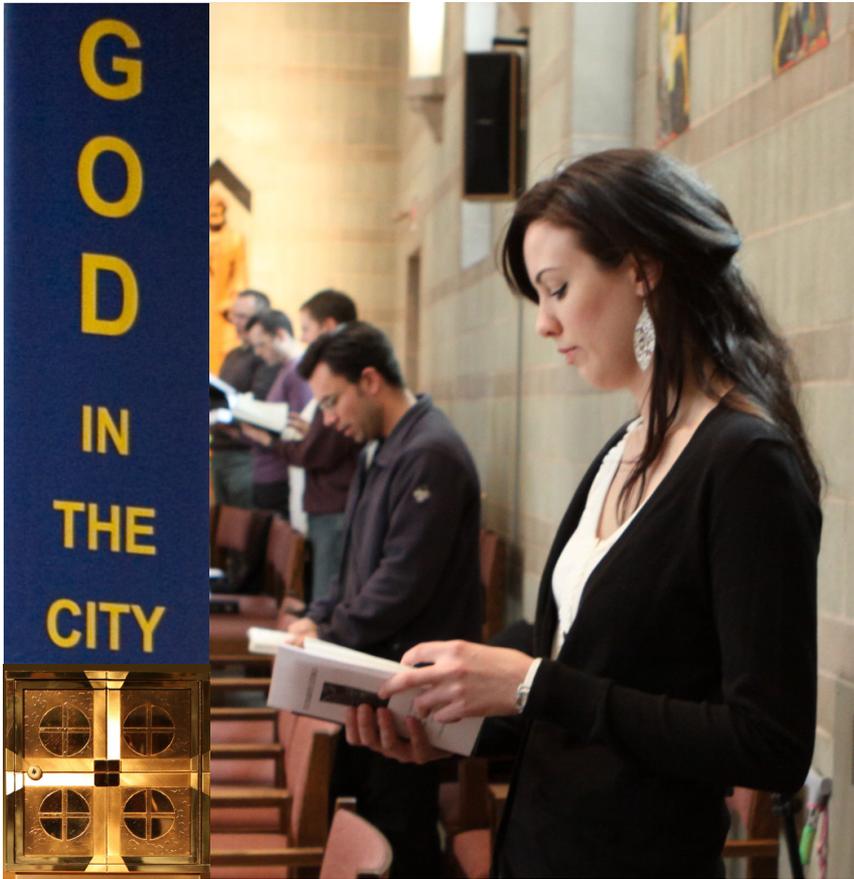




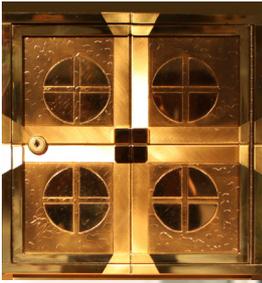
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Faculty of Theology



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“ We extend a warm greeting to women and men from every background who in changing times seek to discover who they are and what they can contribute to an increasingly complex world.

Professor Anne Anderson, c.s.j.
President and Vice-Chancellor,
University of St. Michael's College

The Faculty of Theology: A Centre of Excellence for Theological Studies

WELCOME

Our Faculty of Theology offers a welcoming academic community rooted in faith and learning. We are committed to the investigation of contemporary theological issues associated with social justice, ecumenism, the voices of women and laity, ecological issues, and global initiatives.

We educate women and men for faithful and creative leadership in the mission of the Church in the Christian community of the 21st century.

The Faculty is a graduate division of the University of St. Michael's College, the Roman Catholic University federated with the University of Toronto. The Faculty shares the University's purpose and its rootedness in the heritage of its founders, the Congregation of St. Basil.

A COMMUNITY OF FAITH

During the academic year all are welcome to join us in the weekly celebration of the Eucharist and other forms of communal prayer. We worship in the simple setting of the chapel of the Cardinal Flahiff Basilian Centre which adjoins the Faculty. Our celebrations are followed by an informal social in the Elliott B. Allen Student Common Room.

At least once annually we worship in the Eastern Rite of the Catholic Church. The Faculty also encourages students to attend various ecumenical services sponsored by the Toronto School of Theology.

Campus Ministry at St. Michael's College provides spiritual direction and pastoral counselling services.

We are a faith community whose mission is to help students, and all who come to us, discover the spirit, joy, and love of God in everyday life.



“ *As the Dean I want to welcome you to the Faculty of Theology and to assure you that we are here to assist you in your discernment as you seek to understand your role in the ministries of the Church, as we do it through the Basilian motto – Teach Me Goodness, Discipline and Knowledge.*

Fr. Mario O. D'Souza C.S.B., Ph.D.
Dean, Faculty of Theology

GOD IN THE CITY

The Faculty of Theology is located in the heart of Toronto, Canada's largest city: a vibrant, cultured, multi-faith and multi-cultural city that provides rich, challenging opportunities for studying theology and serving the world through this study.

Because of the city's clean environment, high standard of living, and friendly attitude to diversity, Toronto is consistently rated as one of the world's most livable cities.

STUDENT LIFE

Our students come from five continents. A vibrant Student Life Committee and an active Liturgy Committee provide opportunities for them to acquire a better understanding of their own faith and a number of occasions for hands-on experience in community building.

A few of the exciting and challenging events that our Student Life Committee organized for students this academic year include:

- Volunteer Opportunities
- Community Outreach including the Out-of-the-Cold Soup Kitchen
- Winery Tour and Trip to Ottawa
- Weekly Wednesday Liturgy, 1:30 pm
- Lectio Divina with Archbishop Collins
- Sports Events
- Pub Socials and Theology Pub Discussions

“ After practising law for several years, I began study at the Faculty of Theology at St. Michael’s because I wanted to be able to minister more effectively at my parish. I stayed because I found what I learned here has deepened and enriched my faith in ways I never would have imagined. The experience has made me not just a better minister, but a better Catholic.

Diane Janisse
Student, MDiv Program

Basic Degree Programs

MASTER OF DIVINITY (MDiv)

The Master of Divinity (MDiv) degree is a professional degree designed for the theological education of women and men for leadership in the Church, in both lay and ordained ministerial roles. The program requires a minimum of 30 units of study in Sacred Scripture, Church History, Systematic Theology, Pastoral Theology and Supervised Theological Field Education.

The Master of Divinity curriculum encourages students to reflect on Scripture and Tradition in light of their original contexts and how they apply to present-day Church teaching in terms of contemporary thought and experience. The curriculum also seeks to identify and address major social issues of the day from the perspective of Scripture and the Church’s teaching.

Students acquire the confidence to enter into interpersonal and community situations with empathy and perspective and to communicate the gospel in a way that speaks to contemporary pastoral and social situations.

MASTER OF THEOLOGICAL STUDIES (MTS)

The Master of Theological Studies degree (MTS) is designed to strengthen the religious basis of the individual’s life and work in either a secular or church-related career. This degree provides students with a general theological understanding and an opportunity for some in-depth study and specialization.

The curriculum is organized to assist students in developing a basic understanding and literacy in Systematic, Historical and Pastoral Theology and Biblical Studies as well as a more in-depth study of some issues in each of the above areas. Students’ abilities to reflect theologically are enhanced and deepened.

Students may complete the degree by any one of three summative exercises: field education, thesis, or research paper.

The curriculum requires 20 units of study and is organized around the three levels of foundation courses, in-depth courses and elective courses with the possibility of specialization in a particular area of theology.

“ I chose to study theology at St. Mike’s to develop a deeper understanding of the Catholic tradition as I prepare to enter a career in Catholic Education. St. Mike’s offers the best opportunity to receive the highest quality education in a caring community atmosphere where “everybody knows your name”.

Nisheeta Menon
Student, MRE Program

MASTER OF ARTS IN CATHOLIC LEADERSHIP (MACL)

The Master of Arts in Catholic Leadership (MACL) degree is designed to provide individuals with skills necessary to lead educational institutions, Catholic social services, and healthcare. The program assists Catholic principals, vice-principals, chaplaincy team members, department heads and others aspiring to positions of leadership.

The curriculum allows students to grow in moral and theological understanding. Once students have gained historical perspective they learn to integrate administrative and managerial practices with the social teachings of the Catholic Church as a way to enhance community relationships. Students will also appreciate the implications of canon law for Catholic institutions and gain fluency in articulating the distinctiveness of publicly-funded Catholic institutions.

The curriculum, which requires a minimum of 16 units of study, is organized around the four areas of theological curriculum, leadership curriculum, electives, and a final comprehensive practical component.

The MACL is one of the Masters degrees recognized by the Ontario College of Teachers for entrance into the Principal’s Qualification Program and/or the Supervisory Officer’s Qualification Program.

MASTER OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION (MRE)

The Master of Religious Education degree (MRE) is designed to prepare persons for the ministry of religious education. It welcomes women and men from various aspects of this ministry, such as teaching or supervising in schools, parishes, dioceses, or international settings. The course of study includes Sacred Scripture, Church History, Systematic Theology, Supervised Field-based Learning and Religious Education. Through an in-depth study of their Catholic faith students learn how to integrate faith and practice for their teaching ministry.

The curriculum assists students to reflect on Scripture and Tradition in light of their original contexts and on the theory and practice of religious education in its current varied contexts. Students engage in peer-group and field-based learning for the integration of faith and the practice of the teaching ministry. The MRE is one of the Masters degrees recognized by the Ontario College of Teachers for entrance into the Principal’s Qualification Program and/or the Supervisory Officer’s Qualification Program.



“Coming to St Michael’s was a decision supported by my religious congregation, many of whom have studied here over the past 25 years. It has become a tradition in our community. Through my experience with the Toronto School of Theology I come to appreciate the richness of interacting and learning with other Christian traditions.

Dan Lannen
Student, MDiv Program,
Oblates of St. Francis de Sales

Diplomas

DIPLOMA IN THEOLOGICAL STUDIES

This program is designed for persons interested in updating or renewing previous theological study. It is suited to individuals on sabbatical or research leave, or those interested in the study of theology for personal enrichment.

DIPLOMA IN RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

This program is designed for women and men involved in the ministry of religious education, either formally or informally. The coursework is intended to help those who desire to update their knowledge of theology or previous training in catechetics and religious education. In particular, the program is aimed at persons involved in parish-based religious education and catechesis with children or adults, including preparation for the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA).

DIPLOMA IN EASTERN CHRISTIAN STUDIES

This diploma is designed to provide a broad theological, historical and pastoral grounding in the Eastern Christian tradition.

Special Programs and Certificates

Elliott Allen Institute for Theology & Ecology | Eastern Christian Studies

The Israel Studies Program | Certificate in Youth Ministry | Intersession and Summer School Courses

Advanced Degree Programs

The Faculty of Theology has a long tradition of excellence in the preparation of future academics and offers a number of Advanced Degrees in Theology. The Faculty of Theology provides some teaching assistantships and a mentoring program for its Advanced Degree students in the PhD and ThD programs. For more information about any of the following degree programs, please contact us.

Doctoral Degree in Theology (PhD and ThD) | Doctor of Ministry (DMin)

Master of Theology (ThM) | Master of Theology in Jewish Studies (ThM)

Master of Arts in Theology (MA) | Master of Arts in Theology and Jewish Studies (MA)



“ *The Theology Faculty of St. Michael’s College makes great contributions to the Toronto School of Theology, and to the life of the Church.* ”

Most Reverend Thomas C. Collins, SSL, STD
Archbishop of Toronto
Chancellor, University of St. Michael’s College

Libraries and Resources

JOHN M. KELLY LIBRARY

The John M. Kelly Library of St. Michael’s College is one of over forty libraries which together form the University of Toronto Libraries system, the third largest academic library in North America. The system includes the libraries of six other theological colleges. Theology students have at their disposal more than eleven million print volumes; 700,000 e-books; 70,000 e-journals; and thousands of electronic encyclopaedias and indexes.

The collection of the Kelly Library numbers over 275,000 print volumes and over 3,000 DVDs. It has a particular focus on Catholic and Eastern Christian materials, covering the complete spectrum of theological subjects. The theological collection is enhanced by a broad humanities and social sciences collection. The Kelly Library Special Collections and Archives include John Henry Newman, G.K. Chesterton, and Henri Nouwen. A dedicated staff provides reference assistance, research appointments, and instruction in the use of library materials.

LIBRARY OF THE PONTIFICAL INSTITUTE OF MEDIAEVAL STUDIES

The Library of the Pontifical Institute of Mediaeval Studies, housed on the fourth floor of the Kelly Library, holds over 100,000 volumes dedicated to the study of the Middle Ages. Its world renowned collection greatly enriches the possibilities for theological research in Toronto.

Opportunities

WHO HIRES THEOLOGY GRADUATES?

Theology graduates find employment opportunities as teachers in the Catholic and parochial school systems, financial services, government, health science centres, hospitals and wellness clinics, NGOs, relief organizations, charities, advertising firms, art galleries, business and industry, church and mission ministries, colleges, universities, seminaries, correctional institutions, lobby groups, TV, radio, internet, military services, museums, political parties, publishing, religious and secular, research firms, think tanks, retirement and nursing homes, school boards, administrators, social service agencies, and youth organizations. Theology matters.



Our Basilian Heritage

The Faculty of Theology springs from the mission of the Basilian Fathers, a congregation of priests and students for the priesthood dedicated to education and evangelization.



Toronto School of Theology

The University of St. Michael's College is a founding member of the Toronto School of Theology (TST) which is the largest ecumenical consortium for theological education in Canada. TST currently comprises seven member schools providing a diverse ecumenical context for the study of theology at the Basic and Advanced Degree levels. The central Toronto location enables TST and its member colleges to provide a varied program of supervised field education.



The Association of Theological Schools The Commission on Accrediting

The Faculty of Theology of the University of St. Michael's College has been an accredited member of ATS since 1972. Accreditation from ATS ensures that standards of quality are being met and that institutional improvement is being undertaken. ATS accreditation benefits theological faculties in many ways: students can be assured of a wide recognition of courses and degrees by academic institutions; faculty is ensured of the academic freedom and resources that quality scholarship and teaching require.



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