School of Theology and Ministry

Master of Arts in Couples and Family Therapy

Application Instructions and Procedures

All application materials must be received by the application deadline to receive full consideration. For application deadlines and entry terms, refer to the priority deadlines. *International applicants and those with international transcripts should consult the International Requirements Page, for deadlines and other requirements, as they may differ.*

- Complete graduate application form and submit the $55 non-refundable application fee. The fee is waived for Seattle University alumni and employees.
- Evidence of the minimum of an earned four-year baccalaureate degree from a regionally accredited institution or U.S. equivalent. As evidenced submit an official, degree-posted transcript from the last 90 quarter/60 semester graded credits of your bachelor's degree, including any transfer institution credit earned during this time period. Official transcripts from any post-baccalaureate institution will also be required.
- Domestic applicants with GPA below 3.00 in last 90 quarter/60 semester credits or have graduated from a non-graded institution, submit official Miller Analogy Test (MAT) scores. International applicants are required to have 3.00 GPA or higher.
- Two recommendations with at least one from a person familiar with your religious/spiritual development (Note: Recommendation forms are provided).
- Résumé reflecting at least 2 years of related professional or volunteer experiences in the helping field (e.g., social service, education, or ministry).
- Interview with STM admissions committee faculty.
- An autobiographical statement, with a focus on understanding of and experience related to Couples and Family Therapy.
    - Please offer a two to three page account of your life. Include important events and relationships highlighting the influence of these on your development.
    - Give a brief statement (no more than two pages) of your impressions of the program and your expectations of it. Include a description of why you want to pursue a degree in spiritually-integrated couples and family therapy.
    - List and describe any formal or informal education (workshops, institutes, readings) and volunteer experience not highlighted on your resume.
- Applicants for whom English is a non-native language must demonstrate English proficiency regardless of English language studies, residence in the United States or an English-speaking country, or immigration status. Graduate applicants with a baccalaureate or higher degrees from recognized colleges in the U.S., Canada, Great Britain, Ireland, New Zealand or Australia and who have continued to reside in countries where English is the primary language for at least two years prior to applying to Seattle University will have this requirement waived. English proficiency may be met with an official TOEFL score of 92 (IBT), or 580 (PBT); the IELTS exam with a minimum score of 7.0; PTE score of 63.

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