School of Theology and Ministry

Post-Master’s Certificate in
Transforming Spirituality

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 an earned Master’s degree or higher from a regionally accredited institution or U.S. equivalent. As evidence submit a 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. Transcripts from any graduate-level coursework will be required.
- Domestic applicants with graduate-level GPA below 3.00 or have graduated from a non-graded institution, submit official Miller Analogy Test (MAT) scores.
- Two recommendations from ministry-related professionals addressing readiness for ministry using STM form provided through the application.
- Résumé reflecting at least 2 years of related experiences in ministry, education or service as professional or volunteer.
- Interview with STM admissions committee faculty.
- Autobiographical statement (5-8 pages) including:
  a) Account of your life and important events and relationships, highlighting impact of these on your development (3-5 pages)
  b) Several paragraphs (2-5 each) addressing the following:
     - Impressions of this program and expectations of it.
     - Discussion of professional skills and understandings you seek through participation in STM and areas of personal growth most important to you.
     - Listing of formal and informal education over last three years, e.g. workshops, institutes, readings, etc.
     - Major ministry or church-related experiences, noting whether done part-time or full-time and years when engaged.

- Graduate and post baccalaureate applicants who received a baccalaureate degree or higher from Seattle University or a recognized college or university in the United States, Canada, Great Britain, Ireland, New Zealand, Australia, Bahamas, Jamaica, Kenya, Singapore, and Trinidad and Tobago will not be required to submit English proficiency test scores. Students earning a degree in a country other than those listed above may provide official documentation from the degree-granting institution verifying that all instruction was in English. A minimum of three years of enrollment at the university is required. English proficiency may be met with an official TOEFL score of 86 (IBT), or the IELTS exam with a minimum score of 6.0; PTE score of 63; or Duolingo
score of 110.

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