



Theology | Major

"I have never known an environment more challenging, more inspiring, and more supportive. From my very first class to my last, I felt that I was constantly encouraged to thrive both academically and personally. The professors and staff were my role models for how to be a serious scholar and future educator"—J.D. Sellgren, English and Theology '07, graduate student, Claremont School of Theology, Claremont, CA

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS IN BRIEF

Alvernia is a Franciscan university dedicated to the ideals of professional service, community service and personal fulfillment. Theological study long has attempted to address the most profound questions of existence and the meaning of the human religious experience.

Theology courses ask these questions with attention to the universally human and particular focus on the Judeo-Christian tradition. The Catholic expression of that tradition receives the greatest, but not exclusive, emphasis.

ACADEMIC QUALITY

A major in Theology prepares students for a range of careers in local or national church organizations, as well as in many community organizations. It also prepares for further work in academe or seminary and is an excellent complement to another major. As a discipline in the liberal arts, Theology refines critical thinking skills and teaches openness to the complexity of serious issues. A minor in the discipline provides students with greater knowledge of religious questions.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

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| Associate Pastor | Pastor |
| Campus Minister | Pastoral Minister |
| Chaplain (e.g. hospital, military, or prison) | Priest |
| Church Camp Director | Religious Education Professional |
| K-12 Religion Teacher | Religious Publications Editor |
| Lay Minister | Retreat Minister |
| Lobbyist | University Professor |
| Missionary | Youth Minister |

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CURRICULUM OVERVIEW

Bachelor Degree Requirements (30 Credits)

THE 105 Foundations of Theology
THE 380 Christ and the Church

Choose one of the following:

THE 200 Christian Approach to Morality
THE 210 Medical Moral Theology
THE 225 Global Issues: The Gospel Perspective

Choose two of the following:

THE 306 Biblical Studies: Gospel Portrait of Jesus
THE 308 Biblical Studies: Old Testament Studies
THE 309 Biblical Studies: New Testament Studies

15 elective credits in Theology

Minor Degree Requirements (18 Credits)

THE 105 Foundations of Theology

Choose one of the following:

THE 200 Christian Approach to Morality
THE 210 Medical Moral Theology
THE 225 Global Issues: The Gospel Perspective

12 elective credits in Theology

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