

DOCTOR OF MINISTRY
Application for Admission

Catholic Theological Union
Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago
McCormick Theological Seminary

Personal Information

Title	<input type="checkbox"/> Mr. <input type="checkbox"/> Mrs. <input type="checkbox"/> Ms. <input type="checkbox"/> Dr. <input type="checkbox"/> Rev. <input type="checkbox"/> Sr. <input type="checkbox"/> Br.						
Name	First						
	Last/Family						
Social Security Number							
Place of Birth				Date of Birth			
Citizenship				<i>(mm/dd/yy)</i>			
Permanent Address	Street						
	City			State			
	Zip	Country					
Phone	Home			Work			
E-mail				Fax			
<i>Please check the appropriate category or categories: lay, clergy, religious</i>							
<input type="checkbox"/> Lay person	Church or Denomination						
<input type="checkbox"/> Clergy member	Church or Denomination						
	Diocese or Judicatory			Date of Ordination			
<input type="checkbox"/> Catholic religious community member	Community Name, Initials						
	Religious Superior			Phone			
	Street						
	City			State			
	Zip	Country					
Person to be contacted in case of emergency	Name						
	Address						
	City			State			
	Zip	Country					
	Phone (Day)			(Evening)			

Academic Information

Anticipated Date of Enrollment	<input type="checkbox"/> Fall <input type="checkbox"/> Spring <input type="checkbox"/> May Term <input type="checkbox"/> Summer
	Academic year: 20__ to 20__
	<input type="checkbox"/> Part time (1 or 2 courses per semester) <input type="checkbox"/> Full time (3 or 4 courses per semester)
School through which you wish to apply	<input type="checkbox"/> Catholic Theological Union <input type="checkbox"/> Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago <input type="checkbox"/> McCormick Theological Seminary
Area of Concentration	<input type="checkbox"/> Educating for Witness <input type="checkbox"/> Hispanic Theology and Ministry <input type="checkbox"/> Intercultural Studies and Ministries <input type="checkbox"/> Liturgy <input type="checkbox"/> Spirituality

Housing

<input type="checkbox"/> I need housing. <input type="checkbox"/> I will make my own arrangements for housing.	<input type="checkbox"/> I have particular housing needs: <input type="checkbox"/> Accommodations for family (<i>describe</i>) _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Accessibility needs (<i>describe</i>) _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Other (<i>describe</i>) _____
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Education
List colleges, universities, or theology schools attended

School	Degree	Major	Dates Attended

Non-US Citizens

Do you currently hold a U.S. passport, student visa [F-1], religious visa [R-1], or permanent residency from the United States? Yes No

If yes, please indicate:	type _____
	number _____
	date of issue (<i>mm/dd/yy</i>) _____

If you do not hold a permanent residency or a visa, you will need an **I-20 form**, which can only be forwarded to you after you have officially been accepted into the program. CTU must also receive your financial support documentation and a photocopy of your passport.

Please complete the following and enclose with your completed application.

1. Curriculum Vitae

Outline your education (degree and non-degree programs), ministry, publications, presentations, travel, and any other aspects of your professional life that could be of interest to the admissions committee. Note your specific background in the area of concentration you intend to study (Educating for Witness, Hispanic Theology and Ministry, Intercultural Studies and Ministries, Liturgy or Spirituality).

2. Reading List

Provide a list of the readings in theology and ministry that have been influential to you over the past 2 years. What journals do you read and what other professional resources have you found helpful in your ministry?

3. Personal Statement

Write a 1,000-1,500 word statement of your personal goals in ministry. Include a self-assessment describing the experiences that led you to set these goals, as well as your future potential for meeting them.

4. Applicants from faith traditions other than Christian

If you belong to a faith tradition other than a Christian denomination, describe why you choose to study on this academic level in this interfaith context. Since many of your colleagues will be reflecting out of a Christian perspective, describe how prepared you are both to enter and influence that context.

English Language Proficiency

English proficiency is required for entrance into this program. This English Language proficiency requirement can be met in one of 4 ways: 1) the TOEFL exam with an Internet total score of 80 [213 computer, 550 paper], with a 20 minimum in four sections of reading, listening, speaking and writing; 2) An undergraduate or graduate degree from an institution in which English was the instructional language; 3) 4 semesters of ESL from an accredited institution, or 4) A documentable exemption from the above, e.g., extensive ministerial experience in an English speaking context, a bilingual family of origin where English was one of the domestic languages, extensive education instruction apart from college or university in English (e.g., a British style prep-school), etc.

Transcripts

Transcripts of all post-secondary academic credits should be sent to the Director of the Doctor of Ministry at CTU by the respective institutions. Mail transcripts to address on page 4 or email to: admissions@ctu.edu

Recommendations

Three (3) recommendations are required: one from an ecclesiastical superior or religious supervisor who is in a position to evaluate your ministerial experience; one from a person who can evaluate your academic ability; and one from a peer (a colleague in ministry or a friend). Please list the names of those writing recommendations for you:

Ecclesiastical superior/religious supervisor: _____

Academic: _____

Peer: _____

References should be sent directly to the Director of the Doctor of Ministry at CTU by the persons completing them on your behalf.

Financial Support Letter

International students who are not US citizens nor hold a green card need to demonstrate that they have the financial support required to study within the US. This is achieved through a "letter of financial support," that must clearly state that the sponsor of the international student is committed to support the student for the cost of studying in the U.S. The projected cost of such studies is available through your school of matriculation.

Marketing Questions

We would appreciate it if you could answer the following two questions.

1. How did you **first** learn about the Doctor of Ministry program? *(Check one and specify)*

- Personal contact:** Alum Student Teacher Pastor other
- Advertisement:** Christian Century National Catholic Reporter America Tablet
- Other _____
- Website:** CTU Website Other website _____
- Publication:** Logos newsletter Brochure Other _____

2. In what **other ways** did you learn about the D.Min. program? *(Check as many as apply)*

- Personal contact:** Alum Student Teacher Pastor
- Other _____
- Advertisement:** Christian Century National Catholic Reporter America Tablet
- Other _____
- Website:** CTU Website Other website _____
- Publication:** Logos newsletter Brochure Other _____

Return your completed application form, all related materials, and the \$55 US non-refundable application fee, to:

Director, Doctor of Ministry Program
Catholic Theological Union
5416 South Cornell Avenue
Chicago, IL 60615
or by email to: admissions@ctu.edu

SIGNATURE

Date _____

**Doctor of Ministry
Letter of Recommendation**

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Applicant Information

Name: First: _____ Last/Family: _____

I agree that the recommendation I am requesting be held in confidence by officials at Catholic Theological Union, Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago, and McCormick Theological Seminary, and I hereby waive any rights to examine it. [please check one] Yes No

SIGNATURE: _____

Recommender's Responses

The Doctor of Ministry degree requires candidates to exhibit advanced academic skills, especially the ability to think and analyze critically and to theologize contextually. They are also expected to work collaboratively with a diverse group of peers and be highly productive in a well-defined program. Please rate the applicant, indicating in what percentile you would place the candidate among those you would consider seeking such an advanced degree:

	<p>Overall Academic Ability</p> <p>top 1% _____</p> <p>top 5% _____</p> <p>top 10% _____</p> <p>top 20% _____</p> <p>other percentile _____</p> <p>not able to comment _____</p>	<p>Ability to Respect Diversity</p> <p>top 1% _____</p> <p>top 5% _____</p> <p>top 10% _____</p> <p>top 20% _____</p> <p>other percentile _____</p> <p>not able to comment _____</p>
	<p>Critical Thinking and Analytical Skills</p> <p>top 1% _____</p> <p>top 5% _____</p> <p>top 10% _____</p> <p>top 20% _____</p> <p>other percentile _____</p> <p>not able to comment _____</p>	<p>Ability to Theologize Contextually</p> <p>top 1% _____</p> <p>top 5% _____</p> <p>top 10% _____</p> <p>top 20% _____</p> <p>other percentile _____</p> <p>not able to comment _____</p>
	<p>Ability to Work Collaboratively</p> <p>top 1% _____</p> <p>top 5% _____</p> <p>top 10% _____</p> <p>top 20% _____</p> <p>other percentile _____</p> <p>not able to comment _____</p>	<p>Ability to Meet Deadlines</p> <p>top 1% _____</p> <p>top 5% _____</p> <p>top 10% _____</p> <p>top 20% _____</p> <p>other percentile _____</p> <p>not able to comment _____</p>

Signed: _____

Position: _____

Address: _____

Letter of Recommendation – Part II

Besides filling out the rating of the applicant on the previous page, you are invited to offer further reflections in narrative form both on the applicant's academic skills as well as their pastoral gifts and ministerial commitment either on this page or attached pages[s].

Please return these forms to:
Director, Doctor of Ministry Program
Catholic Theological Union
5401 South Cornell Avenue
Chicago, IL 60615-5698
Phone: 773-371-5412; Fax: 773-324-1009
Or email completed forms to: admissions@ctu.edu