



Institute of Lutheran Theology

Associate in Ministry Certification Program

The Associate in Ministry Certificate is a one-year program designed to provide instruction in basic Christian theological understandings and practice. This program is best suited for congregational staff and lay volunteers. It can also be used as ministry preparation for short term missionaries or anyone that wants to be better equipped in the basic teachings of the Bible, the history of the Christian church, and Christian theology.

Required Courses:

Fall

- BT 101: Principles of Biblical Interpretation (2 Credits)
- HST 150: Luther and his Catechisms (2 credits)
- BT 201: Old Testament Theology and History

Spring

- BT 202: New Testament Theology and History
- MP 101: Lutheran Worship
- HST 203: Defending and Spreading the Faith

Admissions to Academy Programs

List of Required Documents for Certificate Programs

- Application for the program being applied to (PMC or AMC)
- Recommendation Letter from Pastor or DTC mentor (AMC only)
- Three letters of Recommendation (PMC only)
- Official Transcript from a high school, college, or university.
- Application Fee: \$50.

Admissions Interview

The admissions interview may be conducted in person, by telephone, or by interactive video conference. The interview will be conducted by a representative from the Institute of Lutheran Theology.

Letters of Recommendation

The three letters of recommendation are to be from people who have differing relationships with the candidate. One from a pastor is required. The remaining two letters should represent other perspectives such as an

employer, a teacher, or a colleague. Letters should not come from family members.

Official Transcript

We require some form of transcript which demonstrates the applicant's prior academic work. We will accept a transcript from a high school, college or university. Applicants are normally required to have their official transcripts sent directly to the Office of Admissions from all of the institutions that they have attended.

English Language Requirement

ILT welcomes international students and seeks to provide an academic and social climate which promotes understanding, acceptance, and personal growth. Normally, students for whom English is a second language must pass the TOEFL (Test of English as a Foreign Language) proficiency examination with an iBT score of 80 or equivalent in order to be eligible for admission to the program. More information can be found about TOEFL at the Educational Testing Service web site found at <http://ets.org>.

Transfer of Credits and Residency Requirement

ILT will accept students transferring into the Pastoral Ministry Certification program from similar programs. The Office of Admissions will consider program requirements and courses completed on a case by case basis. To receive a degree from the ILT Academy, less than half of all courses can come from other institutions.

Re-Application

Individuals who have withdrawn or been discontinued for cause, and those who have been denied admission, should contact the Dean of Students to request information on procedures for re-application.

For more information contact:
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