

Annual Report on Program Student Learning Outcomes Assessment

Program: Master of Theological Studies (MTS)

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1. List the learning outcomes for the program (if you are new to program assessment, you might want to begin with 3-5 primary outcomes):

The MTS curriculum is shaped by the conviction that religious life in today's world may be enriched by deep exploration of theological traditions in dialogue with broad understanding of the complexities of our global context. Students have opportunities to prepare for a variety of contributions as religious leaders serving in diverse communities, analyzing religious life in relation to diverse social contexts, and increasing theological knowledge and understanding.

1. Graduates possess a foundational understanding of the Christian and Hebrew scriptures and of the broad heritage of the Christian tradition as such and in relation to other faith traditions and social-cultural contexts.
2. Graduates possess either a focused knowledge in a specific discipline (for students pursuing a particular MTS concentration) or a survey knowledge of various theological disciplines for students pursuing the open format MTS
3. Graduates possess a critical understanding of and creative engagement with the cultural realities and structures within which religious leadership is carried out, including: a. contemporary cultural and social issues and their significance for diverse linguistic and cultural contexts of religious leadership; b. and the global character of religious communities in the multifaith and multicultural context of contemporary society.
4. Graduates possess a vocational direction.