The Master of Theological Studies (MTS) degree is awarded upon the successful completion of 18 units, including courses devoted to work on the master’s thesis. This degree program can be completed in two years of full-time study. It must be completed within four years of matriculation into the program. Students will plan their course of studies with an advisor according to guidelines outlined in the Master’s Level Campus Life Handbook. Students may transfer units from this degree program to the Master of Divinity degree program by applying for reclassification through the Admissions Committee.

This program meets a variety of the needs of international students pursuing graduate theological studies. It is also designed to meet the needs of individuals who wish to begin or to continue graduate theological education for personal or vocational enrichment.

**Distribution of Courses and Faculty**

All Masters level students are required to take a six-hour workshop on preventing clergy sexual misconduct before graduation. Students in the Master of Divinity and Master of Arts in Ministry programs must take the workshop before beginning field studies.
Admission to the Program

Prospective students seeking admission to the Master of Divinity, Master of Theological Studies, or the Master of Arts in Ministry programs at McCormick must meet the following requirements:

- Hold a Bachelor's degree (BA or BS) from an accredited institution or Bachelor's equivalent (ask our admissions rep about BA equivalency requirements).
- Maintain a grade point average of at least 3.0 on a 4.0 system in post-secondary education.
- Exhibit readiness and aptitude for graduate study attested by an academic reference and autobiographical statement.
- Possess a commitment to emotional health and spiritual formation as attested by personal and church references.
- Display evidence of a commitment to the values and principles upon which the McCormick community is based.

Applicants to the MDiv program should also be able to:

- Show evidence of a vocational interest or a sense of call to the practice of ministry.
- Be able to clearly articulate vocational interest or sense of calling.
- Demonstrate a continuing relationship with a faith community or congregation, or an interest in the church and the work of the church.

Tuition/Investment

The tuition for entering students at the master’s level of study at McCormick is $960 per course. (Tuition is subject to change annually)