



**Concordia Theological Seminary**  
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## DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY IN THEOLOGICAL STUDIES DEGREE PROGRAM APPLICATION

### PERSONAL INFORMATION

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Social Security # \_\_\_\_\_  
First (full) Middle (full) Last

Maiden name, birth name or other names you have on academic records \_\_\_\_\_

Sex:  Male  Female

Permanent Address \_\_\_\_\_  
Street and No., Box, Route City  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
State/Province Zip Code/Postal Code Country

Present Address \_\_\_\_\_  
Street and No., Box, Route City  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
State/Province Zip Code/Postal Code Country

Until when will you be at your present address? \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ Work phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell phone \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_ Birth Place \_\_\_\_\_  
Month / Day / Year City State Country

Country of Citizenship: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have permanent resident status in a country other than that of your country of citizenship? \_\_\_\_\_

If yes, which country? \_\_\_\_\_ What is your number? \_\_\_\_\_

If not a U.S. citizen but residing in the U.S., what is your visa status?  
 F1 \_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_ Exp. Date \_\_\_\_\_

The U. S. Department of Education requests the following information on ethnic origin:  
 White, non-Hispanic  Black, non-Hispanic  Hispanic  Asian or Pacific Islander  
 American Indian or Alaskan Native  Other (specify) \_\_\_\_\_

Marital and Family Status:  
 Married Spouse's Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Single  
 Widowed Names and ages of children: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Separated \_\_\_\_\_  
 Divorced \_\_\_\_\_  
 Divorced and Remarried \_\_\_\_\_

# ACADEMIC INFORMATION

List all schools attended since your high school graduation in the year \_\_\_\_\_

Institution	Location	Graduation Date	Degree

Undergraduate major: \_\_\_\_\_ Graduate major: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you consider your scholastic record an adequate index of your academic ability? \_\_\_\_\_

If not, please explain: \_\_\_\_\_

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Have you ever been refused admission to, suspended by or been dismissed from any school or seminary? \_\_\_\_\_

If so, please explain: \_\_\_\_\_

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Language Proficiency: Rate your abilities in the languages applicable to your concentration.

**GREEK**

Reading  Poor  Fair  Good  Excellent

Knowledge of Greek Grammar  Poor  Fair  Good  Excellent

**HEBREW**

Reading  Poor  Fair  Good  Excellent

Knowledge of Hebrew Grammar  Poor  Fair  Good  Excellent

German  Poor  Fair  Good  Excellent

Latin  Poor  Fair  Good  Excellent

Other (please specify) \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have student loan debt over \$40,000? \_\_\_\_\_ If you have answered yes, in a separate document please provide a brief financial plan for your advanced studies.

## **PROFESSIONAL INFORMATION**

Please indicate all significant employment and/or professional ministry experiences you have had starting from your current situation and working backward:

Title or Nature of Work/Ministry

Employer

Dates

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## **CHURCH & FAITH**

(Select one) In regard to your current, local congregation, are you a  pastor;  staff member;  member;  regular attendee

Please give the full name and address of that congregation: \_\_\_\_\_

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To what denomination or fellowship does your congregation belong? \_\_\_\_\_

Are you an ordained pastor? \_\_\_\_\_ Date of ordination \_\_\_\_\_

By what church or denomination were you ordained? \_\_\_\_\_

In what Christian and/or professional organization(s) do you hold membership? \_\_\_\_\_

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Who or what influenced your choice toward the Doctor of Philosophy in Theological Studies Program at Concordia Theological Seminary (CTSFW), Fort Wayne, Indiana? Please give names and addresses, if possible. \_\_\_\_\_

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## **RECOMMENDATIONS**

List three individuals who can attest to your personal and scholarly aptitude for doctoral study. Use the Personal Reference Information form to secure these recommendations. All recommendations must be returned directly to CTSFW Graduate Studies Office, not to you.

- A. Faculty member at the seminary from which you received your master's degree:

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Name and Address

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- B. A professor from your most recent graduate studies or similar:

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Name and Address

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- C. Ecclesiastical supervisor or similar:

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Name and Address

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IT IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY TO SEE THAT THESE RECOMMENDATIONS ARE SENT TO US.

## **STATEMENT OF INTENT**

Of the two program concentrations, which is of interest to you? Please also select one track under your chosen concentration.

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| <p><input type="checkbox"/> <b>Biblical Studies:</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Old Testament</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> New Testament</p> | <p><input type="checkbox"/> <b>Confessional Lutheran Studies:</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Doctrine</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Lutheran Confessions</p> |
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In a separate document discuss your motivation for doctoral studies and why you are applying to this program at CTSFW. Please also discuss how you became interested in your choice of concentration and how your academic background has prepared you for further study in this area.

## **RESEARCH PAPER**

Compose a research paper on a theological topic of your choice. Paper should consist of 6,000-7,500 words in the main body (i.e., excluding footnotes and works cited). The purpose of this research paper is to inform us of your scholarship level. Please use the following format requirement: Times New Roman 12 point, 1 inch margins all four corners, double space except for block quotations, footnotes and not endnotes, follow the latest Turabian's *Manual for Writers* as a general guide in style.

*It is the policy of the Doctor of Philosophy in Theological Studies Program at Concordia Theological Seminary (CTSFW), Fort Wayne, Indiana, not to exclude, expel or otherwise discriminate against an individual seeking admission as a student in the terms of conditions and privileges of Concordia Theological Seminary because of race, color, sex or national origin.*

*For the complete text of the Non-Discrimination Policy Statement, see the current catalog ([www.ctsfw.edu/AcademicCatalog](http://www.ctsfw.edu/AcademicCatalog)).*

*I understand that in reviewing my application, CTSFW will receive from other individuals and organizations information and materials relating to my personal, academic and professional background. I agree that this application and all of its enclosures are the property of CTSFW, and I waive the right to inspect this material if I am denied admission to the program. If I am granted admission to the program, the Family Education Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) will govern my rights of inspection.*

*I also authorize the Registrar's Office of CTSFW to release, as it deems appropriate, my quarterly grade reports and/or cumulative GPA during the time I am a student at CTSFW to agencies, institutions or others involved in providing funds for my education. I agree to abide by the policies, rules and regulations of CTSFW.*

I certify that all information on this application and other materials provided for admission are accurate, complete and true. I understand that withholding information or giving false information on this application or other materials provided for admission will make me ineligible for admission to CTSFW and/or result in termination of enrollment at CTSFW.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Printed Name \_\_\_\_\_

## **APPLICATION CHECKLIST**

- Request official transcripts of all post-high school academic work to be sent by the school directly to the Office of Graduate Studies. **If you are a CTSFW graduate, there is no need for additional transcripts to be requested unless you have post-master's degree work for consideration.**

The following are enclosed:

- \$35.00 application fee (Enclose a check for \$35.00 made out to Concordia Theological Seminary.)
- A recent photo of yourself
- Recommendations requested

Application documents may be submitted electronically to [Cynthia.Johnson@ctsfw.edu](mailto:Cynthia.Johnson@ctsfw.edu). Signatures must be handwritten. For this reason documents will need to be printed, signed, scanned and emailed. Thank you!