Glory to Jesus Christ!

Dear Fr. Dcn. Michael Sudik:

As per our discussion, please find below a description of the Graduate Certificate Program in Theology, Admission Requirements, costs, a projected (very tentative) list of courses to be offered over the next two years (course offerings outside your parameters are also listed for Spring and Fall 2025).

Admission Requirements apply only to Candidates for the Diaconate under your supervision.

If you have any questions of concerns, please contact me at parksr2@ohiodominican.edu.

Yours in Christ our God, Robert

Description: Graduate Certificate in Theology

Ohio Dominican University's Graduate Certificate in Theology offers graduate-level instruction in the fundamentals of Catholic Theology in just five courses—an Introductory course in Biblical and Foundational Theology (THL 510) and any four additional courses. Courses offered include studies in Biblical, Historical, Systematic, and Moral Theology.

Available 100% online. ODU's user-friendly online platform features high-quality video, allowing students to attend class live online and to interact with classmates and instructors with ease. All class sessions are recorded to serve students who take courses asynchronously.

All courses are taught by faculty who hold doctorates in Catholic Theology and who have received the *Mandatum* to teach Theological Studies from the Bishop of the Diocese of Columbus, Ohio.

On-campus classes meet once every two weeks during Fall and Spring terms; and one evening per week for eight consecutive weeks during Summer (June/July). The program features small class sizes of six to eight students, on average. Students can opt to complete one or two courses each semester.

Certificate program courses can also be applied to ODU's Master of Arts in Theology degree program.

Admission Requirements

Admission policies and procedures for all graduate academic programs of Ohio Dominican University are the responsibility of the Graduate Curriculum and Academic Policies Committee (GCAP). Admission to the program is the decision of the Program Director who reviews and evaluates all applications.

Each applicant must:

- Complete the application form (Link: https://apply.ohiodominican.edu/graduate)
- Submit an official transcript from previous postsecondary institution attended
- Submit two letters of recommendation (a letter from a pastor and a letter from the formation program director will suffice)
- Submit a brief essay (one page) identifying applicant's academic and/or ministerial goals.
- Schedule and hold an interview with the Program Director (approx. fifteen minutes).

Tuition Costs	Per credit-hour	Per Course	Total Certificate Tuition
Pre-Discount:	\$540	\$1,620	\$8,100
With Discount	\$405	\$1,215	\$6,075

Courses Offered (Projected, Subject to Change)

Spring 2025

THL 555-Johannine Literature

*also offered: Ecclesiology, Theology of the Body, Philosophy for Theology.

Fall 2025

THL 510-Introduction to Theology

* also offered: Liturgy and Sacraments.

Spring 2026

THL 600-Trinitarian Theology

Fall 2026

THL 550-Synotic Gospels and Acts

Spring 2027

THL 525-Prophetic Literature

Contact Us!

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