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APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION

Master of Divinity

Master of Arts in Ministry

Master of Theological Studies



 $Thank\ you$ for your interest in McCormick's masters level programs. All documents submitted in support of this application become the property of McCormick Theological Seminary and are not returnable to the applicant or transferable to any third party. All materials will be kept strictly confidential by the Admissions Office.

All materials must be received by due date in order for your application to be considered complete. Personal interviews are required for those who wish to be considered candidates for admission. Please contact the admissions office to make arrangements.

Application Checklist	Deadlines
The following items must be submitted in order for your application to be considered complete:	December 1: International Students
_	March 1: Merit scholarship consideration
Non-refundable \$50 application fee.	EVDI ODE The above of Education
Official, sealed transcripts of all academic work beyond the high school level regardless of whether a degree was awarded.	EXPLORE Theological Education EXPLORE events provide an excellent opportunity for prospective student to experience McCormick.
Enclosed Resume (including volunteer activities)	
Autobiographical Statement	Please visit our website at www.mccormick.edu for EXPORE events dates and times.
Three letters of reference (official, sealed or electronic):	
Church Reference	Submitting your Application
Academic or Professional Reference Personal Reference	Send your completed application to:
CISOIIAI REFERENCE	McCormick Theological Seminary
Other Requirements	Attn: Office of Admissions and Enrollment
Statement of Good Standing	5460 S. University Avenue
(Applicants transferring from another institution only.) Certified Background Check	Chicago, IL 60615-5108
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Student Financial Planning:	Email or Fax are acceptable
Financial Assessment	*
Financial Support	<u>admit@mccormick.edu</u>
English Language Requirement:	773-288-2612 (fax)
For students whose first language is not English,	
go to	

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Name (Last/First/Middle)		Other Names Used	Other Names Used			
Permanent Address (street)		(City/State/Zip/Country)				
Home Phone	Mobile Phone	Work Phone	Fax			
Current Address, if different from	m above. Tobe used until					
E.mail Address		Name of Spouse / Parts	ner			
Date of Birth (Month/Day/Year)	Place of Birth		Country of Citizenship			
Gender: Male Female						
International Student Appli	cants					
Vhat is your visa classification	n in the USA?	Visa Expiration				
How did you hear about us? Please indicate how you first lea	rned about the McCormick	Masters Level programs:				
Advertisement (where:)	ormick Website	Search Engine Brochure			
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Degree Information						
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Master of Theological St	ıdies (M.T.S.) Master	of Arts in Ministry (M.A.M.)				

EDUCATION & EMPLOYMENT

Education List chronologically all colleges, universities and seminal (official transcripts from all schools are required for adm	ries attended, regardless of degree completion, using a separate sheet if necessary nission):
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Employment and Volunteer Activities Please provide a listing of your work experience attache positions). You may use a resumé, Personal Information	ed to this application (title, place and date of your present and past professional n Form or curriculum vitae for this purpose.
Certification This certifies that the undersigned has completed this a and honestly presented.	application and all information contained in this application is factually correct
Signature	Date

AUTOBIOGRAPHICAL STATEMENT

The autobiographical statement is a central piece of the application for admission and plays a critical role in the evaluation of your application. It is a way to introduce yourself to the Admissions Committee. Please consider your response carefully, attending to content, style, grammatical correctness and organization of the essay. With this in mind, provide a <u>2 - 4 page</u>, typed, double-spaced essay (including your name at the top of each page) addressing the following:

- A. Significant life experiences that have formed your view of God, the world and self, including reference to family members and significant others, course work, church, extracurricular college activities, and service-related experiences.
- B. Your sense of call to ministry as a vocation and the direction this call is taking you, including your participation and involvement in the church.
- C. Skills and interests you bring to theological education and ministry.
- D. Your view of the church's role in the world today.
- E. Your reasons for considering McCormick for your theological education.

Additional Information			
Are you applying to other semir	naries or graduate schools? Yes	No	
If yes, please list:			
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Church Relationships			
Denomination	Local Church Name / Duration	of Membership	Local Church Pastor's Name
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REFERENCES

Please provide church, academic / professional, and personal references. Ask three persons (not related to you) who can write thought- fully about your personal, academic and vocational qualifications to write recommendations on your behalf. These references evaluate readiness for graduate study and will be used for the purpose of determining whether the applicant should be admitted to the Seminary. After the Admission Committee has made its decision, the references will be destroyed and, therefore, will not be part of the student's educational record if s/he matriculates at the Seminary. Please return the completed references to the Office of Admissions, in sealed envelopes or electronically to admit@mccormick.edu Please sign your name where the back flap seals. The unbroken seal with your signature ensures the confidentiality of your reference.

This reference form should be completed by a pas	stor of the church where you hold your membership.
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Personal Reference This reference form should be completed by some for leadership.	eone who knows you in a volunteer or professional setting and can attest to your gifts
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CHURCH REFERENCE

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PERSONAL REFERENCE

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STATEMENT OF GOOD STANDING

(Transfer students only)

To the Applicant Students wishing to transferecommendation for admis							
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BACKGROUNDCHECK& STATEMENT OF INTEGRITY

Seminaries seek to be communities where students, faculty and staff live within a covenant of hospitality, trust and safety. These covenantal commitments are foundational to the mission of McCormick Theological Seminary, which is to foster academic excellence, formation for Christian ministry and faithful witness in mission. Furthermore, as seminaries are charged with the preparation of their students for ministry, they also are responsible for students serving in congregations and agencies in which they are placed. Their responsibilities are theological, ethical and legal. Theologically, seminaries are responsible for creating an environment that nurtures and sustains their objectives of theological education. Ethically and legally, seminaries are responsible if a student's abuse of power or role endangers or violates members of the seminary community or the congregations or agencies in which s/he serves. For these theological, ethical and legal reasons, McCormick Theological Seminary requires background checks as part of the admissions process for all entering master level students.	
By signing this agreement, I freely and voluntarily authorize McCormick Theological Seminary and / or its agents to receive a criminal background check that I will provide via <u>castlebranch.com</u> .* I understand that a criminal history may not automatically disqualify me from admission to McCormick Theological Seminary. *Go to <u>www.castlebranch.com</u> and enter the package code MF77 in the "Place Order" field.	
I also understand that failing to reveal and / or falsifying information relating to my application will result in denial of my application, or revoking of my admission.	
If you carry a criminal history, please check this box: \Box (Include an explanation of circumstances with your application.)	
Signature Date	

Statement of Ethics and Integrity

By the submission of this application, I certify that the information provided in this application is complete and accurate. I acknowledge and agree that misrepresentation of credentials, including submission of inaccurate, falsified, or plagiarized information is sufficient cause for terminating my application, revocation of all offers of admission and financial assistance and/or termination of enrollment. Furthermore, I authorize the persons or entities to provide any relevant information to McCormick Theological Seminary for use in evaluating my application for admission and waive any required notice to me. I understand and agree that all submitted application materials are the property of McCormick Theological Seminary and will not be returned and that the application fee is not refundable under any circumstances.

Signature

DUAL DEGREE PROGRAM

For applicants wishing to enroll in a Dual Degree program.

McCormick has developed a program whereby students in the M.Div. Program may enroll in an approved Master Degree program in some coordinate discipline, such as social work and library science. Students may propose dual degree programs in areas other than those in which the Seminary presently maintains regular relations. These opportunities for dual degrees provide an enriched preparation for ministry and a coordinate field. Each student's program is individually designed in consultation with the Dean of Masters Programs and the student's advisor.

Plans for participation in the Dual Degree Program must be approved by McCormick before applications are made to the coordinate program. Students who wish to study for the McCormick M.Div. as part of the Dual Degree Program must indicate that desire during the admissions process and be approved by the Dean of Masters Programs during the first term of studies after admission.

Name (Last/First/Middle) Permanent Address (street)		Other Names Used (City/State/Zip/Country)			
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In which Dual Degree pro	gram are you interested?				
M.Div. / M.S.W. with	the School of Social Work Admin	nistration at the University of Chicago			
M.Div. / M.S.W. with Loyola University Chicago					
M.Div. / M.A. in Libra	ary Science*				
M.Div. / Other:*					
*Inobihation					

FINANCIAL ASSESSMENT

Your Expenses Estimate monthly expenses for you and your family when you enter seminary.	
Rent / Mortgage	
Utilities	
Transportation (commuter students)	
Childcare or Tuition for Children	
Out-of-Pocket Medical	
Other (describe)	
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Total Estimated Monthly Expenses	
Your Income Estimate monthly while in seminary.	
Your Net Income	
YourSpouse / Partner's Income	
Income From Other Sources (SSI, disability, child support, etc.)	
Total Estimated Monthly Income	
Your Assets	
Real Estate Value (less debt) other than primary residence	
Cash, Savings, Stocks, C.D.s and Checking Accounts (excluding 401Ks or I.R.A.s)	
Other InvestmentsNotIncludedAbove	
Business or Farm Market Value (less debt) (Value includes land, buildings, machinery, equipment, livestock, inventories, etc.)	
Total Estimated Assets	
Your Debts	
Current Student Loan Indebtedness (total principal owed)	
Current Consumer Loan Debt (do not include mortgage or car loan)	
Other Debts	
Total Estimated Debts	

FINANCIAL SUPPORT

Employment Please indicate your intended employment status while you are in seminary (check all that apply): I plan to work part-time while in seminary I plan to end full-time employment to attend seminary I plan to continue my current full-time work and attend seminary I am unsure. If unsure, please explain:
Other Financial Support Will you be applying for support through your home church and / or from other denominational sources? Yes No Please explain:
How much assistance do you expect to receive from your parents or other family members during the coming academic year?
How much do you expect to receive in outside grants / scholarship funds to help you meet your costs during the coming year?
If you feel that there is information we need to consider in reviewing your request for McCormick grant aid, please use the space below or attach a separate sheet to describe your situation.