

## Graduate Certificate in Theology

### Program Description

Martin Luther College's Graduate Theology Certificate is an in-depth study of theology. The curriculum provides spiritual growth and a deep understanding of God's Word that can enhance the ministry or personal lives of Lutheran teachers, staff ministers, and others who have previous college-level biblical training.

These six 3-credit courses are the core of MLC's Master of Arts in Theological Studies degree. People who complete this certificate may apply these credits to a future MLC Master of Arts in Theological Studies degree.

Teachers who qualify may use this certificate to obtain teaching ministry certification for teaching in Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod (WELS) schools.

### Program Design

- Provides a graduate-level study of the Bible, Bible interpretation, and Lutheran ministry
- Is useful for Lutheran teachers and staff ministers who wish to deepen their understanding of theology
- Is a pathway to WELS teaching ministry certification for provisionally called Lutheran teachers who meet the qualifications

Course No.	Title	Credits		Date Taken
THE5001	Old Testament Theology	3	Required Courses	
THE5002	New Testament Theology	3		
THE5003	Biblical Hermeneutics	3		
THE5004	History of Christianity	3		
THE5005	Systematic Theology	3		
THE5006	Foundations of Ministry	3		
<b>Theology Certificate</b>		<b>18</b>		
Certificate completers wishing to earn the Master of Arts in Theological Studies complete an additional 18 credits from the following program electives and capstone options.				
<b>MATS Elective Courses</b>				
THE5101	Genesis	3	Program Elective Courses	
THE5105	Christ in the Old Testament	3		
THE5201	Christian Apologetics	3		
THE5207	Views of the Afterlife	3		
THE5303	Lutheranism in America	3		
THE5401	Adult Christian Education	3		
THE5403	Maximum Impact with Short-Term Mission Trips	3		
THE5404	Ministering to Families in Crisis	3		
<b>General Education Elective Courses (any EDT, EDU, or SPE 5000-level course – maximum 6 credits)</b>				
			General Elective Courses	
<b>Capstone Options</b>				
THE6100	Comprehensive Examination	0		
THE6200	Field Project	3		
THE6500	Thesis	6		