

STATEMENT OF EFFECTIVENESS

Saint John's Seminary and The Theological Institute are fully committed to the quality, integrity, and effectiveness of their academic programs. The rector, administration, and faculty constantly endeavor to offer effective programs in preparing candidates for ordained and lay ministry and participation in the life and work of the Catholic Church.

Saint John's Seminary

Over the past ten years, the seminary has increased enrollment by 193% and has ordained over 138 men to the priesthood.

In September 2016, Saint John's Seminary expects to see enrollment increase once again, as we welcome 126 students from 16 dioceses, 7 religious orders and one ecclesial movement.

Pre-Theology

The Pre-Theology Program, leading to the degree of Bachelor of Philosophy (B.Phil.) or Bachelor of Arts in Philosophy, provides a solid foundation for theological studies as well as the opportunity for ongoing discernment of the vocation to the diocesan priesthood and religious orders. Since 2005, 60% of those entering the B. Phil. or B.A. Phil. program have completed the degree, and 72% went on to continued formation and study in the Master of Divinity program.

Theology

The Master of Divinity is a coherent, comprehensive program that was positively reviewed by the Apostolic Visitation by Pope Benedict XVI in 2005. In 2010, the Association of Theological Schools affirmed its accreditation status as well. In the past ten years, 48% of those entering the Master of Divinity degree program at Saint John's Seminary completed the degree. It is important to note that the graduation rate is an indication of academic success as well as the human, spiritual, and pastoral formation pillars combined with, lastly, but perhaps most importantly, the thorough discernment process by the student. 8% of seminarians in the M.Div. program concurrently completed the Master of Arts in Theology degree.

The Theological Institute for the New Evangelization

The Master of Arts in Ministry completed its sixteenth year in May 2016, and has graduated over 175 men and women. The enrollment in the program has been steady over the past several years at between 80 and 100 degree students per year, with many additional students taking classes for credit or audit. Of the 2015 class, over 75% of those who graduated report that within six months of graduation they were employed in their chosen field.

The Master of Theological Studies for the New Evangelization, which only began in 2011, has an enrollment of 30 students. Eight students have successfully graduated from the M.T.S. program.

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