

Catholic Theological Institute - Overview of Degree and Certificate Programmes

| Type of Student | Programme | Award | Duration / credits | Entrance reqs. | Minimum Avg Mark | Unique attributes |
|---|--------------------------|--|--------------------------------------|--|---|---|
| Studying for the priesthood | Philosophy | DipPh (Diploma in Philosophy) | 2 years / 90 credits | Grade 12 (C avg & C in English), 1 yr prep studies, 4.5 English test | 65 | Requires Greek, research paper, extra philosophy. Meets <i>Veritatis Gaudium</i> requirements. |
| | | DipPS (Diploma in Philosophical Studies) | 2 years / 80 credits | Grade 12 (C in English), 4.5 English test | 50 | Basic course following the <i>Ratio Nationalis</i> . |
| | Theology | STB (Bachelor of Sacred Theology) | 4 years | Completion of Philosophy (DipPh) | 70 | Awarded by Univ. of Santo Tomas (Manila). Requires Latin, Greek, Hebrew, and research paper. Meets <i>Veritatis Gaudium</i> requirements. |
| | | HonBTh (Honours Bachelor of Theology) | 4 years / 180 credits | Completion of Philosophy (DipPh or equivalent) | 70 on Theology Research Paper; 65 overall | For students missing DipPh equivalence but wanting a research concentration and capable of language study. Meets DHERST guidelines. |
| | | BTh (Bachelor of Theology) | 4 years / 163 credits | Completion of Philosophy (DipPh or equivalent) | 65 | Includes some language study and a research paper. Meets DHERST guidelines. |
| | | ADTh (Associate Degree in Theology) | 4 years / 154 credits | Completion of Philosophy (DipPS or equivalent) | 50 | Minimal <i>Ratio</i> requirements. Simpler comprehensive exam; no languages or research paper. Meets DHERST guidelines. |
| Religious brothers, sisters, & laity | Christian Studies | Certificate of Christian Studies | 40 credits (about 2 years part-time) | Grade 10 + 2 years of religious life or formal employment | 50 | Introductory classes. May qualify graduates to be ordained as lectors/acolytes. |
| General laity (including non-Catholics) | Philosophy | Certificate in Philosophy | 45 credits (about 2 years part-time) | Grade 12 (C in English), 4.5 English test | 50 | Overview of Western philosophy designed for part-time study. |
| | | Diploma in Philosophy (see above) | | Same as above, no prep requirement | | |
| | | Diploma in Philosophical Studies (see above) | | Same as above, no prep requirement | | |
| | Christian Studies | Bachelor of Christian Studies | 172 credits, incl. Philosophy | Same as above | 65 | Full degree path. Starts with philosophy, moves into full Catholic theology. Meets DHERST guidelines. |

Sponsorship: All students on the ordination track (future priests) must be sponsored by a diocese or religious congregation.

Format: All instruction is in-person / face-to-face. Some programmes are part-time (3-11 credits per term), most are full-time (12-17 credits per term).

Exit awards: If a student cannot finish a full degree or diploma program, an exit award can still be granted, provided they completed at least one full year of full-time study.

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