

Application for Admission Latimer Theological Institute



Your application to Latimer Theological Institute is the first step in the process. This is a self-authored application, and you are responsible for the completion of the process. We have helpful admissions counselors ready and able to assist you once this initial application is complete, but ultimately the completion of your file in a timely manner is your responsibility. Should you need assistance before the completion of this initial phase or have further questions, do not hesitate to contact the admissions team.

All graduate programs have the following deadlines:

Latimer Theological Institute has four semesters per year, ranging from 11 weeks to 13 weeks. 1st semester of the year starts January 1. 2nd semester of the year starts April 1. 3rd semester of the year starts July 1. 4th semester of the year starts October 1.

Your application has to be totally completed (with transcripts and references) and turned in one semester before you want to start.

Your complete admissions file for all classes must include the follow, see notes:

This application either mailed in or emailed to Father Patrick Rodgers 196 Bellevue Lane Boyce, VA 22620 or at mission@ststephensac.org

A \$25 non-refundable application fee. Make check out to United Episcopal Church of North America

Official transcripts from all institutions where you have taken more than one semester of academic coursework. (Additional transcripts may be requested by the Admissions Office.) **If you are not seeking degree, just taking classes or certificate programs, not needed.**

The complete submission of three personal essay questions. **If you are not seeking degree, just taking classes or certificate programs, not needed.**

Three references; one from your Priest / Pastor. One from church governing board (vestry). One from someone that knows you outside the church. We are unable to accept references from family members or significant others.

An interview may be requested by the Admissions Committee or Board of Examining Chaplains at any time during the application process.

For International Applicants:

Additionally, all transcripts must be certified and translated if from a foreign institution; official transcripts must be sent directly from the institution.

Statement of Faith

The Latimer Theological Institute holds the Catholic and Apostolic faith once delivered to the saints, and accepts and unfeignedly believes the Holy Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments to be the inspired Word of God, and to be the ultimate rule of Faith and Practice in the Church. We accept the Thirty-nine Article of Religion of 1563, as revised in 1801, as our Anglican Statement of Faith. Our standard of worship is the Book of Common Prayer approved by the Convocation held in London in 1662 as subsequently revised for use in North America down to the Canadian edition of 1962, and the United States edition of 1928. This Institution maintains that the threefold ministry of Bishops, Presbyters, and Deacons is of Apostolic origin, and is to be conferred only on suitably qualified males. We also uphold traditional Christian moral standards including the integrity of marriage between one man and one woman, and the sanctity of human life from conception to natural death.

Statement of Mission

The Latimer Theological Institute mission is to raise up future leaders of the United Episcopal Church of North America. We band ourselves together as a body of baptized believers in Jesus Christ, personally committed to sharing the good news of salvation to lost mankind and do the works of compassion as exemplified by our Savior. We are here to teach all of our students to follow Mathew 28: 19- 20: "Go then to all peoples everywhere and make them my disciples: Baptize them in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, and teach them to obey everything I have commanded you. And I will be with you always, to the end of the age." And showing people the Gospel by the way we live our lives through service to others. Matthew 25:35-40 gives us a good example of what we will do. To those in need we should provide food, water, clothes, shelter and care. By this we will work on bring the Anglican faith to all peoples through church planting and ministries.

Statement of Vision

The Latimer Theological Institute vision is to raise up leaders in the United Episcopal Church of North America that can plant and grow orthodox Anglicanism in the United States, or anywhere in the world God calls us, by growing all under their care in their walk with Jesus Christ and with the mission of the church to spread the Good News and do works of charity in their communities. Latimer Theological Institute will accomplish this by emphasizing training on the scriptures, teaching the scriptures, evangelism and church growth. We are all about teaching how to bring people into the church, growing them in the faith, and growing the community around them. Our goal is to raise up highly educated leaders for the future growth of the United Episcopal Church of North America.

Statement of Purpose

The purposes for which Latimer Theological Institute is formed is to engage in any lawful activity, to establish, maintain and operate an institution or institutions of learning for the educational and missionary training of workers for Christ and for the United Episcopal Church of North America. To make students dedicated to Christian service and to spread the Anglican faith in the world. To confer degrees; having full authority to do all things necessary to complete the purposes for which this corporation and seminary is created. And, to provide a tuition free education and training for our students.

Tuition

The Seminary's is designed to follow a tuition free model. There should never be a charge for any Christian that wants to grow in the faith. That being said, the seminary does need to cover its cost to operate and the seminary certainly could not pay student expenses. So, Latimer pay structure model will be students will pay no tuition. However, students will be required to cover all expenses related to whatever class they are taking. Books, travel, room and board, food and any class expense (this will usually be small and split between students).

Please note that any student seeking ordination, there is a 5-year contract between the Diocese / National Church and the student before ordination. After being ordained to the Diaconate or Priesthood, current or previous student of Latimer Theological Institute would be required to reimburse Institute for their education.

Please fill out the next few pages, tear out, and send back to Latimer Theological Institute in envelope or email. To Father Patrick Rodgers 196 Bellevue Lane Boyce, VA 22620 or at mission@ststephensac.org. You will receive an email from the Office of Admissions after your application has been received and processed. Please allow up to five business days for your application to be processed once received. Thank you!

**YOU DO NOT HAVE TO FILL OUT PERSONAL ESSAYS, IF YOU ARE NOT SEEKING A DEGREE!
PLEASE SKIP TO APPLICATION PART.**

Personal Essays—B. A., M.A. and M.Div. Applicants

These essays can be sent after your application is submitted.

Latimer Theological Institute recognizes that students entering the Institute represent a wide range of experiences and backgrounds. We welcome students from Christian communities outside the Anglican tradition. Latimer Theological Institute seeks in every aspect of its life and programs to represent the commitments expressed in its Statement of Faith.

Applicants must, therefore, demonstrate that their personal integrity, spiritual maturity, and theological conviction meet the standards expected of applicants called by God to pursue graduate-level theological education.

The following questions should be answered in three to four typed, double-spaced pages. This required essay is a critical component of the application process. Please consider your response carefully, paying particular attention to content, style, grammar, and organization. If the Admissions Committee believes it is necessary, they may ask you to expand upon your answers.

Personal Essays (1050-1500 words) 350-500 words per question.

1. Share your life story, including at what point you began your relationship with Jesus Christ. Talk about your growth since that time and what brings you to apply to Latimer Theological Institute at this season in your life. Include your thoughts on how you would like to see your faith grow during your time in seminary.
2. What draws you to your desired major/area of study? What is your intended outcome upon degree completion? Why is that career or ministry choice meaningful to you?
3. Discuss a local, national, and/or international issue and why you are passionate about it. This is not a political question.
4. Optional: If your GPA is not a good indication of your academic ability, please explain.

Biographical Information

Name

LAST/FAMILY/SURNAME

FIRST/GIVEN

MIDDLE

PREVIOUS/MAIDEN

PREFERRED NAME/NICKNAME

Marital Status

Single, Never Married

Married

Separated

Divorced

Widowed

Gender Male

Female

SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER

EMAIL ADDRESS

DATE OF BIRTH (MM/DD/YYYY)

HOME PHONE

COUNTRY OF CITIZENSHIP

WORK PHONE

Present Mailing Address

ADDRESS: NUMBER AND STREET

CITY

STATE

ZIP

COUNTRY

LATEST DATE TO USE ADDRESS (MM/DD/YYYY)

Permanent Legal Address *(if different than present mailing address)*

ADDRESS: NUMBER AND STREET

CITY

STATE

ZIP

COUNTRY

Emergency Contact

The information provided below is used throughout the student's studies at Asbury Seminary and may be updated as needed.

NAME

RELATIONSHIP TO APPLICANT

TELEPHONE NUMBER

MAILING ADDRESS: NUMBER AND STREET

CITY

STATE

ZIP

COUNTRY

Church Information

Are you currently a member of a church?

Yes No

If yes, please complete the information below.

NAME OF CHURCH

DIOCESE/JURISDICTION/FELLOWSHIP/AFFILIATION

CONFERENCE *(if applicable)*

ADDRESS: NUMBER AND STREET

CITY STATE ZIP

COUNTRY

TELEPHONE NUMBER

NAME OF PASTOR

If no, please complete the information below:

CHURCH MOST OFTEN ATTENDED

HOW LONG HAVE YOU BEEN ATTENDING?

ARE YOU INVOLVED IN ANY SERVICE WITHIN THIS CHURCH BODY?

Name the churches that you have been in fellowship with during the past five years and give dates:

Will you be pursuing any level of ordination within the United Episcopal Church of North America?

Yes No

IF YES, WHAT LEVEL?

NOTE: *It is the responsibility of each applicant to ensure that the applicant's degree of study satisfies ordination requirements.*

Education

List in chronological order all colleges and universities attended **for more than one semester**. Official transcripts must be sent directly from each school where more than one semester of coursework has been completed. Attach an additional page if more space is needed.

All undergraduate or graduate institutions attended

FULL INSTITUTION NAME

CITY, STATE, COUNTRY

DATES OF ATTENDANCE FROM (MM/YYYY) TO (MM/YYYY)

DATE OR PROJECTED DATE OF GRADUATION

DEGREE EARNED

FULL INSTITUTION NAME

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ANSWER BEFORE PROCEEDING

Have you ever had to leave any educational institution for academic or disciplinary reasons?

_____ Yes, please explain in additional attached statement

_____ No

Personal Information

Family

NAME OF SPOUSE _____

NAMES AND AGES OF CHILDREN _____

Is there any personal or family situation which may interfere with your seminary studies?

Yes No

If yes, please attach a written statement explaining the situation.

Are there any current challenges to your personal or emotional health at this time?

Yes No

If yes, please attach a written statement explaining the situation.

Application Influence *(including name)*

UECNA Priest or Bishop: _____

UECNA Lay Person: _____

Latimer Theological Staff: _____

Latimer Theological Student: _____

Other: _____

Statement of Support

Do you have a financial plan to fund the costs of your education?

Yes No

Does your church offer any additional level of support for those pursuing ordination?

Yes No

Are you willing and able to support travel to weekend training events?

Yes No

You understand you are responsible for purchasing your books or any material need for the class you are taking?

Yes No

To what other institutions have you applied?

Intended vocational goal:

International Applicants

Please note that international applicants are encouraged to apply at least two semesters in advance of their term of enrollment.

Education Information

Have you completed or will you complete a bachelor's degree or equivalent?

Yes No

DEGREE _____

NAME OF SCHOOL _____

DATE OR PROJECTED DATE OF GRADUATION _____

Is this school accredited by your country's Ministry of Education and/or regional theological accreditation body?

Yes No

ACCREDITING BODY _____

Educational Testing

A TOEFL or IELTS score is required by all applicants for whom English is not their first language. For further information on TOEFL or IELTS requirements, please view the Academic Catalog.

FIRST LANGUAGE LEARNED _____

OTHER LANGUAGES SPOKEN _____

Type of Test Taken or Scheduled

Type	Date	Score
TOEFL (IBT)		
TOEFL Paper		
IELTS		

Citizenship

If you are not a U.S. citizen, please complete this section.

IN WHAT COUNTRY WERE YOU BORN?

IN WHAT COUNTRIES ARE YOU CURRENTLY A CITIZEN?

If you are now residing in the U.S., what is your immigrant or non-immigrant classification? *(Choose one.)*

F-1 F-2 J-1

J-2 H-1 H-2

R-1 Permanent Resident

Other, please explain: _____

If you are currently residing and attending another school in the U.S., please list the institution name and location.

Degree Programs

If you are a degree-seeking student, select the program, concentration, and/or track for which you are applying. *Please note not all degrees can begin in every semester. Your admissions counselor will base your course work on your degree choice.*

GRADUATE DEGREE PROGRAMS

Master of Arts (Choose concentration)

Master of Biblical and Theological Studies _____

Master of Theology _____

Master of Divinity _____

UNDERGRADUATE DEGREE PROGRAM

Bachelors of Arts in Biblical and Theological Studies _____

Associates of Arts in Biblical and Theological Studies _____

CERTIFICATE PROGRAMS

Subdeacon _____

Lay Reader _____

Church Growth / Plant _____

Christian Studies _____

Leadership Development _____

Youth Ministry _____

Additional Information on Your Studies: _____

Term of Enrollment

1st semester _____

2nd semester _____

3rd semester _____

4th semester _____

Year of Enrollment _____

Institutional Documents *(Please initial by each statement in the space provided.)*

Latimer Theological Institute students represent a wide range of experiences, backgrounds, and Christian traditions. Applicants must demonstrate personal integrity and spiritual maturity conducive to the mission of the Latimer Theological Institute, as well as compatibility with our institutional documents by completing the following:

I have read and familiarized myself with L.T.I. Statements of Faith, Mission, Vision and Purpose. _____

I understand the L.T.I. is committed to historic Christian orthodoxy as expressed in the Anglican tradition. _____

If admitted, I agree to abide by the standards set forth in the policies of the Seminary. _____

I understand my admission is dependent upon the Admissions Committee's prayerful discretion and sole judgment as to whether I meet the standards for admission. I assert the information contained herein is true and accurate.

SIGNATURE _____

DATE _____

Background Check Disclosure

Have you ever been charged with a misdemeanor or felony offense? This would include any appearance in court for any misdemeanor or felony accusation regardless of dismissal or conviction.

Yes

No

If yes, please discuss the circumstances surrounding this incident/events and the decision of the court on a separate sheet. It is also helpful to note the approximate date of these events as well.

All new students are subject to a background check. If a significant difference is found between the application information provided here and the background check, this information will be forwarded to the Admissions Committee. This could result in disciplinary action, denial of your application to study at Latimer Theological Institute, or, if enrolled, immediate dismissal from Latimer Theological Institute.

SIGNATURE _____

DATE _____