

# Catholic Studies

The Catholic Studies major is designed to provide students with a comprehensive understanding of the Catholic faith, its history, and its role in the world. The program is rooted in the Catholic tradition and is designed to be both intellectually rigorous and spiritually enriching. Students will explore the foundations of the Catholic faith, the lives of the saints, and the teachings of the Church. The program also includes courses in Catholic history, theology, and social justice. The major is designed to be completed in four years, with a total of 36 credit hours required for graduation.

## Major

1. Complete 36 credit hours of Catholic Studies courses, including:
  - 18 credit hours of Catholic History

### Group I – Catholic History (3 credit hours)

- 2203 Introduction to Catholic History
- 3213 History of the Catholic Church

### Group II – Catholic Theology (6 credit hours)

- 2203 Introduction to Catholic History
- 2313 Theology of the Sacraments
- 2333 Theology of the Bible
- 2613 Theology of the Church
- 3323 Theology of the Eucharist
- 3343 Theology of the Holy Spirit
- 3353 Theology of the Saints
- 3373 Theology of the Virgin Mary
- 3623 Theology of the Catholic Social Tradition

### Group III – Faith and Reason (6 credit hours)

- 2133 Introduction to Philosophy
- 2143 Introduction to Logic
- 3413 Philosophy of Religion
- 3523 Philosophy of Theology
- 3553 Philosophy of the Catholic Social Tradition

### Group IV – Faith and Values (3 credit hours)

- 3213 History of the Catholic Church
- 2213 Introduction to Catholic History
- 3533 Theology of the Bible
- 2513 Introduction to Philosophy

2. Complete 3 credit hours of Catholic Studies courses, including:
  - 3013 Introduction to Catholic Social Teaching
  - 3023 Introduction to Catholic Social Justice

3. Complete 6 credit hours of Catholic Studies courses, including:
  - 2673 Introduction to the Arts
  - 2683 Introduction to the Arts

### Group V - Faith, Culture, and the Arts

- 2673 Introduction to the Arts
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## Minor

- Students must complete a total of 18 semester hours of minor courses.
- 2003 Introduction to Catholic Studies

3013 The Sacraments: Spirituality & Story

3023 Global Catholicism
  - Catholic Studies Seminar I, II, & III

Catholic Studies Seminar IV, V, & VI

### CATH-2003. Introduction to Catholic Studies

This course provides an overview of the Catholic Church, its history, doctrine, and sacraments. It covers the foundations of the Church, the role of the Pope, and the significance of the sacraments in the life of the Church.

### CATH-2013. The Sacraments: Spirituality & Story

This course explores the seven sacraments of the Catholic Church, focusing on their spiritual significance and the stories behind them. It includes a study of the Eucharist, Baptism, Confirmation, Holy Orders, and Matrimony.

### CATH-2203. Global Catholicism

This course examines the role of the Catholic Church in a global context, discussing its mission and impact in various cultures and regions. It covers the challenges and opportunities of global evangelization and the role of the Church in social justice and human rights.

### CATH-3013. Catholic Studies Seminar I

