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APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION Black Church Studies Certificate Program

Program Description:

The Black Church Studies Program at Louisville Seminary offers three tracks of study:

- Certificate in Black Church Studies for students not enrolled in a degree program.
- Concentration in the Master of Divinity degree program or in the Master of Arts (Religion) degree program.
- Concentration in the Doctor of Ministry degree program.

Separate application must be made for the Master of Divinity, Master of Arts (Religion), and Doctor of Ministry degree programs.

Admissions Requirements for Certificate in Black Church Studies:

- Completed application form
- Spiritual Autobiography
- Recommendation form/letter
- Proof of high school diploma
- \$25 non-refundable application fee

Contact Information:

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IDENTIFICATION & CONTACT INFORMATION

Name: _____
last first middle

Preferred: _____

Current Mailing Address:

_____ *address*

_____ *city state zip*

Current Phones:

Home: _____ Cell: _____

Fax: _____ Work: _____

Current Occupation: _____

May we contact you at work? yes no

Current E-mail: _____

Alternate Address:

_____ *address*

_____ *city state zip*

Parents Work Other _____

Alternate Phone: _____

Parents Work Spouse/Partner Other _____

Alternate E-mail: _____

Work Other _____

Citizenship: _____

EXPECTED YEAR OF ENTRY: Fall _____ (Year)

Application Deadlines:

Certificate in Black Church Studies:
August 28

Master of Divinity and Master of Arts
(Religion):
June 15 for fall
November 1 for spring

Doctor of Ministry:
*Application deadline for January
admission, October 1*

Applications are considered complete when proof of high school diploma, answers to the essay questions, letter of recommendation, and the non-refundable \$25 application fee have been received. Please also include a recent photo. When the application is complete, you will be notified of its status, and it will receive prompt attention.

All documents submitted for application become the property of Louisville Seminary and are not returnable to you or transferable to a third party.

In keeping with our long-standing traditions and policies of actively supporting equal opportunity for all persons, we admit students "without regard to ethnic and national background, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, religion, age, or physical disability." Applicants are considered on the basis of individual merit, and factors such as those cited above have no bearing on admissions or financial aid.

Reference Forms are available on-line at www.lpts.edu or from the Admissions Office. It is the responsibility of the applicant to ensure that persons providing references obtain or access the appropriate forms and submit them to the Office of Admissions.

ACADEMIC INFORMATION:

Please provide a history of your education:

High School	Year Graduated
College	location
dates (from/to)	degree and date received
College	location
dates (from/to)	degree and date received
Graduate School	location
dates (from/to)	degree and date received

CHURCH INFORMATION:

Denomination or Faith Tradition: _____

Current Church:

Name: _____

Address: _____

How long have you been a member or attended? _____

Pastor Name: _____

Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

By signing below, I grant permission to the Director of the Black Church Studies Program to contact my pastor named above about the content and status of my application.

Signature _____ Date _____

ESSAY QUESTIONS: (250 words each)

1. What influenced you to apply to the Black Church Studies Certificate Program at Louisville Seminary?
2. Write a short autobiography about your formation in church or your personal spiritual journey.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

How did you first hear about Louisville Seminary?

(If you first heard about LPTS from a person, please write their name in the space provided.)

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|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> pastor
_____ | <input type="checkbox"/> chaplain/campus minister
_____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> college professor
_____ | <input type="checkbox"/> friend or relative
_____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> LPTS admissions
_____ | <input type="checkbox"/> LPTS student
_____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> LPTS alum
_____ | <input type="checkbox"/> other LPTS representative
_____ |
- poster website
 advertisement (please specify): _____
 other (please specify): _____

Have you visited campus before? yes no

If yes, when? _____

Other than a campus visit (if you have visited), have you communicated with any students, faculty, staff, or alums of the Seminary? yes no

If yes, with whom and when? _____

To what other seminaries/graduate schools and programs have you applied or plan to apply?

_____ school _____ program

_____ school _____ program

_____ school _____ program

VERIFICATION

I hereby acknowledge that the contents of this form and the status of my application may be shared with any and all persons identified on the Recommendation Form. I certify that the foregoing statements and all other information submitted by me in connection with the application for admission are true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I understand that falsification or omission of information are grounds for rejection of the application or dismissal from the Seminary.

Signature _____ Date _____

Tuition:

Cost for the Certificate Program is \$350 per academic year.

Three Payment Options for Certificate Program:

- A one-time payment of \$700 for the full two-year certificate program, or
- Two payments of \$350 each, paid in each academic year; or
- Four payments of \$175. These payments are expected by the first week of September, in the fall semester, and the first week of February, in the spring semester.*

*No financial aid is available for the certificate program. Students are encouraged to seek support from their churches, denominational agencies, or educational monies available through one's place of employment.

VISIT THE CAMPUS:

If you have not already done so, we encourage you to visit our campus. Please contact us and we will be happy to arrange for you to meet students and faculty and experience life at Louisville Seminary.

We believe that choosing a seminary is an important part of your discernment process. A visit that provides the opportunity to interact with the community is a vital part of that process.



Louisville Presbyterian Theological Seminary is called by God
through the church to educate men and women to participate in the
redemptive ministry of Jesus Christ in the world.

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