

## Program Requirement Checklist: MA Theology, Spiritualities and Community Engagement

In Person vs. Online Courses at Laurier		
Feature	In Person Classes	Online Courses at Luther/Laurier
<b>Design</b>	On-campus courses that you must attend class in person.	Originally and intentionally <b>designed as an online course</b> .
<b>Identification</b>	<b>TH</b> course code <u>without VA or VS designation</u> means it is in person at Luther.	You can identify an online course on LORIS by checking the section. <b>Virtual Asynchronous</b> online courses are marked <b>VA</b> . <b>Virtual Synchronous</b> are <b>VS</b> .
<b>Class Meetings &amp; Format</b>	Usually a 3 hour class once per week for a 12 week term <b>or</b> Intensive format. As we are CRPO regulated, missing classes means you are missing required content (professional competencies) and is not permitted (unless under extreme circumstances).  <b>“Intensive”</b> format means it is in person at Luther but does not run the standard format 3 hours once per week. Intensive courses run full days for 5-6 days (please check your syllabus). Intensive days/times are not posted in LORIS. Please see <a href="#">this Luther link for dates/times</a> .	Virtual Asynchronous (VA) do not include regularly scheduled class meeting times. VA course instruction will occur asynchronously, while Virtual Synchronous courses (VS) are delivered at a specific day and time.  VA courses may occasionally include 1 or 2 scheduled components for virtual interaction, such as for getting to know your professor and classmates. Some online courses <b>may also include a requirement to regularly meet with a peer group</b> .
<b>Fees</b> <a href="#">Link to Tuition &amp; Fees webpage</a>	In-person and online classes have the same fee structure. Full Time students pay per term, and Part Time students pay per course.	In addition to all regular Laurier tuition and fees, online courses are subject to an online course administration fee.

Please use the below Checklist to indicate the courses you have already taken and those you plan to take during the coming year. This is not an “official registration” but is for **planning purposes only**. **Please complete this form and take it to each advising appointment.**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Student ID: \_\_\_\_\_

Full-Time: \_\_\_\_\_ or Part Time: \_\_\_\_\_

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### IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT REGISTERING FOR COURSES

- **NOTE:** Dates/times/locations for courses held in the Fall and Winter terms can be found on LORIS.
  - To find the days/times of “Intensive” courses, see [Courses at Luther](#).
- In LORIS, we recommend putting in the term (Fall 2025) and then adding in the subject (Theology) and then searching (don’t add the course code) so that all the courses come up for you.
- Unless noted otherwise, all courses are worth 0.5 credits.
- Students should register **early** for their courses. Courses fill up quickly, so registering early will help you get into the required courses.
  - **Register for the Fall and Winter in May** (starting **May 15th**). You can also register for Spring at this time, but we recommend **waiting until January 5th to register for Spring courses** because the Spring course schedule is not confirmed until then.
- If you are a student with the maximum number of transferred credits (determined by Academic Advisory Council upon submitting a petition), you may not have space for electives. You must complete at least 8 (out of 11) required courses to graduate.
- Please decide early in the program if you prefer to do a **Major Research Project (MRP)** (1.0 credits), **Thesis** (2.0 credits), or only **Coursework** with an Integrative Project (0.5 credits). This way, you can plan accordingly to progress toward your graduation in a timely manner.

**Days/Times are subject to change. Be sure to check the days and times on LORIS before registering to ensure they have not changed. You can also use the [LORIS Visual Schedule Builder](#) tool to make your planning easier.**

## OVERALL PROGRAM CHECKLIST

This checklist recommends which courses to take in your first year, noted in **yellow**. Pre-requisites or additional considerations are noted in **blue**.

<b>Core Courses</b> <b>Required: Take ALL of the following courses:</b>	<b>Term Taken/Plan to Take (ie Fall 2026)</b>
TH530E – Foundations of Spiritualities <b>We recommend taking this course in your first year.</b>	
TH560G – Foundations of Ethical Community Engagement <b>We recommend taking this course in your first year.</b>	
TH645A – Intersectionality: Interfaith and Intercultural Perspectives <b>We recommend taking this course in your first year.</b>	
TH644A – Indigenous Wisdom and Methodology	
TH503A – Survey of the Hebrew Scriptures	
<b>Christian Spirituality Courses</b> <b>Required: Take ONE of the following courses:</b>	
TH502A – Critical Analysis of Biblical Texts: Introduction <b>(runs every second year)</b>	
TH503C – Survey of the New Testament	
TH530A – Introduction to God and Theological Reflection	
TH530B – Introduction to Jesus and Salvation	
<b>Islamic Spirituality Courses</b> <b>Required: Take ONE of the following courses:</b>	
TH503E – Reading and Interpreting the Qur’an (in translation)	
TH664B – Islamic Spirituality (Sufism) and Psychotherapy	

### Asian Spirituality Courses

**Required: Take ONE** of the following courses:

TH503F – Asian Wisdom Traditions

TH503H – Buddhist Discourses on Care

### Critical Approaches and Experiential Learning

**Required: Take TWO** of the following courses:

TH560E – Spiritual Formation and Nurturing Faith A  
(runs every second year)

TH530C – Introduction to the Spirit and Community

TH641K – Earth-Based Spirituality

TH648D – Sing Fires of Justice

TH645B – Women, LGBTQ2SIA+, Justice and Spirituality

TH643D – Questioning Ability

### Research

**Required: Take** the following **Research** course (or **MRP** or **Thesis Option**)

TH697 – Integrative Project

If you're taking TH697, you will need to take **5** electives.

**NOTE:** Students can petition to substitute **TH698 - Major Research Project in Theology** or **TH699 - Thesis in Theology** instead of taking TH697.

Those taking TH698 - Major Research Project in Theology (**1.0 credit**) will need **4** electives.

Those taking TH699 - Thesis in Theology (**2.0 credits**) will need **2** electives.

## Electives

**Required: Take FIVE** electives, in consultation with your advisor:

Elective 1:	
Elective 2:	
Elective 3:	
Elective 4:	
Elective 5:	