



**Program Requirement Checklist – MA/MDiv
MA Theology Spiritual Care and Psychotherapy & Master of Divinity Double Degree Program
Fall 2023 Intake**

In Person vs. Online Courses at Laurier		
Feature	In Person Classes	Online Courses (OC) at Laurier/Luther.
Design	On-campus course you must attend class in person	Originally and intentionally designed as an online course .
Identification	TH course code without OC designation means it is in person at Luther.	You can identify an online course on LORIS by checking the section – online courses are marked with an OC .
Class Meetings & Format	In person – usually 3-hour class once per week for 12-week term OR 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. “ intensive ” 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 (~9 am-3:50 pm) for 5-6 days. Intensive days times are not posted in Loris/Banner – Please See this Luther link for dates/times – you can also see past course syllabi archived at the bottom of this page. Courses at Luther	Online courses do not include regularly scheduled class meeting times. In most cases, online course instruction will occur asynchronously . Courses might include scheduled components for virtual interaction.
Fees	In person and online classes have the same fee structure.	In addition to all regular Laurier tuition and fees, online courses are subject to an online course administration fee.



Please 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 and take this to your advising appointments. Your advisors are **Dr. Mary (Joy) Philip** – mphilip@luther.wlu.ca for the Divinity side and **Dr. Ara Parker** aparker@luther.wlu.ca for the SCPT side.

Name: _____ Email: _____

Full-time _____ or Part-time _____

- ▶ **Note:** Dates/times/locations for courses held in the winter and fall terms can be found on Loris/Banner.
- ▶ To find the days/times of “INTENSIVE COURSES,” please see this link [Courses at Luther](#)
- ▶ In Banner I recommend putting in the term (fall 2023) and then adding in the subject (theology) and then search (don’t add course code)_so that all the courses come up for you. I find inputting course codes/titles does not work so well to find what is offered.
- ▶ Students should register EARLY for their courses; Register for the Fall, Winter, and Spring terms all at the same time in spring. Because courses fill up quickly, this will also ensure students can get into the required courses as they open for registration each fall/winter and spring terms.
- ▶ Students without any advanced standing can expect to complete the double degree in three years. Keep in mind some courses do not run every year on the MDiv side – so be sure to get advising on your course progression plan.
- ▶ If you are a part-time student – you must wait until you have completed 8 courses (1 year) before doing a clinical placement (TH664M or SPE TH652A).
- ▶ Be sure to know the pre-requisites for practicum (TH664M) and take all of them the year before you plan to do your placement. Some pre-requisites can be taken concurrently if you take a May start placement. Note: more placement positions are available for May start dates than for Fall start dates. Pre-requisites for placements TH652A and TH664M shaded in lime green. Because only some of the divinity courses run each year, some pre-requisites can be taken concurrently with your placement.
- ▶ If you are taking an SPE (TH652A) as your placement option, you must take all the same pre-requisites as practicum (TH664M) students.
- ▶ Students cannot do both an SPE and a practicum during their program – you must choose one or the other.
- ▶ You will see ethics (TH664H) listed twice – once in the MDiv side and once as a pre-requisite to the MASCPT side. It is one course required by both sides of the degree

Required Courses	Choice of Term/Sections	Taken Year/term or Adv. Standing	Plan to take year/term
TH502A - Critical Analysis of Biblical Texts: Introduction (runs every second year)	Fall 2024		
TH502B - Critical Analysis of Biblical Texts: Advanced (runs every second year)	Winter 2025		
TH503A - Survey of the Hebrew Scriptures	Fall 2023		
TH503C - Survey of the New Testament	Winter 2024		
TH503G - Jewish and Christian Bible Themes (runs every second year)	Spring 2025		
TH530A - Introduction to God and Theological Reflection	Fall 2023 2 sections		
TH530B - Introduction to Jesus and Salvation	Winter 2024		
TH530C - Introduction to the Spirit and Community	Spring 2024		
TH560A - Introduction to Worship (runs every second year)	Fall 2024		
TH560C - Introduction to Proclamation and Preaching (runs every second year)	Winter 2024		
TH560E - Spiritual Formation and Nurturing Faith A (runs every second year)	Fall 2024		
TH560F - Spiritual Formation and Nurturing Faith B (runs every second year)	Winter 2025		
TH644A – Indigenous Wisdom and Methodology	Fall 2023 Winter 2024 Spring 2024		
TH645A – Intersectionality: Interfaith and Intercultural Perspectives	Fall 2023 Winter 2024 Spring 2024		
TH652A* Supervised Pastoral Education I: Theory and Practice of Spiritual Care (1.0 credits) OR you can take TH664M (see below on SCPT side)	Contact your advisor		
TH621E- Issues in Church History: Study of the Lutheran Confessions (runs every second year)	Winter 2024		
TH663A - Grief	Winter 2024		
TH664H - Professional Studies and Ethics-This is a pre-or co-requisite for SPE or Practicum.	Fall 2023 Winter 2024- OC Spring 2024 - OC		

In addition to the required courses above, students in the Spiritual care and Psychotherapy field must take the equivalent of 4 additional half-credit courses, either with the contextual or non-contextual option.

Contextual option	Non-Contextual option	Contact your advisor		
	3 electives	Contact your advisor		
TH681 Internship (1.0 credit)	2 Open electives	Contact your advisor		
TH665I Entry to Parish	1 Open elective	Contact your advisor		

In addition to the required courses above, students in the **Spiritual Care and Psychotherapy** field must take **7 courses** in the following areas:

Required: Psychotherapy and Counselling Theory Courses:

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

• TH663M - Family Therapy Overview	Winter 2024		
• TH663Z - Theory of Change (spring term intensive)	Spring 2024		

Required: Human Development Area

• Take TH663V Human Development – 3 sections per year	Fall 2023 - OC Winter 2023 – OC Spring 2024 - OC		
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Other Required Courses: Take all of the following:

<p>TH664M – Practicum or SPE (TH652A) (1.0 credits = counts as 2 courses of 16 needed) TH664M - This is a 1.0 credit course (class) that runs over the fall and winter terms. You take this course as you are also working at your placement site. There are 4 sections to choose from a, b, c, or d. Please be sure to register in the same section for the fall and winter terms so you are in the same class with the same teacher for the year. SPE – you do not attend a class at Luther – all your classes are held at your SPE location. Pre-requisites for TH652A and TH664M are as follow: two counselling courses (1 theory from the following list →TH663E; TH663M; TH663Z; OR TH664O PLUS 1 other counselling course – any counselling or theory course) TH664H ethics (see page above); TH663Y assessment; TH664L pre-practicum. Check with your advisor if you need to take any of these as co-requisites.</p>	<p>Fall 2023 and Winter 2024</p> <p>Runs over 2 terms register for both fall and winter – same section.</p>		
• TH663Y - Assessment	Fall 2023 - OC Winter 2024 Spring 2024 - OC		
• TH664L - Pre-Practicum (runs each winter term only)	Winter 2024 ONLY		

Required – 1 Additional Theory Elective:			
Take one of the following counselling theory courses from the list below:			
• TH663C - Cognitive and Dialectic Behaviour Therapy	Fall 2023 Winter 2024		
• TH663O - Therapeutic Modalities for Working with Children	Winter 2024		
• TH663R Core Skills in Emotionally Focused Therapy (EFT) – prerequisite - students must have taken TH663W spring 2022.	Fall 2023		
• TH663S - Spiritually Integrated Psychotherapy (spring intensive)	Spring 2024		
• TH663W - Couple Therapy: Intervention from an Emotionally Focused Perspective (spring intensive)	Spring 2024		
• TH664A - Introduction to Art Therapy (spring intensive)	Spring 2024		
• TH664D - Post-Modern Family Therapy (intensive format) 6 Fridays 9-5	Fall 2023		
• TH664P - Mindfulness and Psychotherapy	Winter 2024		
Required – 1 Additional Counselling Elective			
Take one of the following counselling courses from the list below OR students can take another theory course from the theory list above:			
• TH663L Clinical Applications of Queer Theory: Working with LGBTQQIP2SAA	Winter 2024		
• TH663U Unique Healing Alternatives for Adolescents	Spring 2024		
• TH663X Addiction, Mental Health and Spirituality: Clinical Apps.	Fall 2023		
• TH664I Qualitative Research (intensive 6 full Fridays 9am -3:50 pm)	Winter 2024		
• TH664T Trauma and Theodicy (spring intensive)	Spring 2024		
Total			
28 half courses (0.5 credits) are required (note TH681 Internship, TH664M practicum or SPE TH652A = 1.0 credit).			