

Claremont School of Theology

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Admissions Office Address: same as above



Description of the Institution

Availability of on-campus housing: Yes, a variety of floor plans for private and shared apartments are available, from small 1-person studios to 3 bedroom family apartments and large shared suites.

Cost per year: Studio - \$649/mo., 1BR-\$925-\$950/month, 2 BR-\$1,143-\$1,200/month, 3 BR-\$1,442/month, 2BR-2B-2Kitch \$1,468/month

Location: Historic small town near urban areas, named by Money Magazine as a “Top-Five Place to Live” for climate, education, safety and diversity.

Surrounding Neighborhood Description: Located thirty-five miles east of downtown Los Angeles at the foothills of the San Gabriel Mountains, Claremont is the "City of Trees and Ph.D.s" and is an eclectic, quaint college town (pop. 37,000) with five undergraduate colleges and four graduate schools. Claremont has a bustling, friendly downtown with dining, boutique shopping, entertainment, and a Metrolink rail station to Los Angeles within walking distance. Nearby Angeles and San Bernardino National Forests offer hiking, camping, biking, and skiing. Distance to ski lifts: 14 miles; beaches: 40 miles; desert: 60 miles.

Formal Arrangements with Local Universities: Claremont School of Theology is the founding Christian member of Claremont Lincoln University, a new interreligious graduate university in Southern California. The School of Theology also enjoys a close affiliation and shares library resources with the Claremont Colleges and Claremont Graduate University. Joint research endeavors are carried across the colleges and a shared cultural events calendar is available to all students. Claremont is home to the UMC's Center for Pacific and Asian-American Ministry (CPAAM) and the National United Methodist Native American Center (NUMNAC).

Areas of Study and Class Structure

Degrees Offered: M.Div. (Concentrations: Chaplaincy, Interreligious Studies, Leadership in Social Justice Community Organizations, and Spiritual Formation for Engaged Compassion), M.A. concentration in General Theological Studies (Academic Track and Ministry Track), M.A. concentration in a Specific Theological Discipline (for a full list of concentrations, visit our website), D.Min.

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Special Areas Taught: Religious Education; Spiritual Care and Counseling; Spiritual Formation; Process Studies; Hebrew Bible; New Testament; Religion, Ethics & Society; Urban Ministry; Interreligious Education; Practical Theology in Korean Contexts

Pass/Fail Option: Yes

Average Class Size: 15

Introductory Classes: 25-30

Upper Level Classes: 6-12

Opportunities/Requirements for Internships or Field Experience: Offered during a student's second year of M.Div. or M.A. coursework. Students must satisfactorily complete their first full year of coursework to participate in field education. The internship consists of a full academic year (September-May), taken simultaneously with the field education course on campus. The course meets once a week (September-May) and is built around the internship placement. For more information, please contact Karen Dalton, Dean of Contextual Education, at (909) 447-2534.

Availability of online classes: Yes

Finances

Application Fee: \$50

Application Deadline: January 10-M.A. and M.Div.; February 1-D.Min.

Tuition Fees per Hour: \$635/unit (Masters level); \$680/unit (D.Min.)

Tuition Fees Full-Time: \$15,240 (M.A. and M.Div.) or \$16,320 (D.Min.)

Other Fees: For a complete list of tuition and fees, visit www.cst.edu.

Estimated Cost of Books for One Semester: \$850

Estimated Cost of Supplies for One Semester: Varies by student

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Time Commitment

Hours required to graduate for each degree offered: M.A.—56, M.Div.—81, D.Min.—32

If a student attends full-time, how long will it take to earn the different degrees? M.Div.—3 years, M.A.—2 years, D.Min.—1-2 years

Faculty Demographics

Number of full-time faculty: 22

Number of part-time faculty: 3

Number of adjunct faculty: 21

Number of faculty who are women: 10 (including full and part-time)

Number of faculty who are persons of color: 5

Number of United Methodist faculty: 8

Average faculty age: 55

Median faculty age: 45

Student Demographics

Number of full-time students: 85

Number of part-time students: 113

Ethnic/Cultural diversity of the student population: Caucasian-43%, International-18%, Asian American-12%, African American-8%, Hispanic/Latino/a-5%, Pacific Islander-4%, Two or more races-2%, American Indian-1%.

Percentage of male students: 48 percent

Percentage of female students: 52 percent

Average student age: 40

Students' denominational affiliation: Approximately 40 denominations and religious traditions represented on campus. Methodists (domestic and foreign) represent nearly 30 percent of the student body.

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Student Employment

Are there paid positions for students available on campus? Yes

Does your institution provide assistance in helping students find local paid ministerial positions? Yes

Additional Information

In a world that is increasingly globalized and migratory, our communities need Christian leaders, scholars, and other professionals who are prepared to work effectively in the religious and cultural diversity of the twenty-first century. Claremont School of Theology, as the Christian member of the new interreligious Claremont Lincoln University, is well-positioned to train pastors, counselors, educators and others for the world. By studying, praying, and working together with leaders from other traditions, people of diverse religious heritages will be better prepared for cooperative service and study in a world that needs repair. In true Wesleyan fashion, Claremont School of Theology continues to be innovative, eclectic, and focused on the needs of the world.