

Study Theology. Do anything.

98%

of recent Notre Dame Theology majors found full-time employment, enrolled in graduate school, entered service programs, or launched independent projects within six months of graduation.

31%
find full-time jobs

Assistant director of religious education, All Saints Catholic Church
Assistant editor, Ave Maria Press
Clinical research assistant, University of Chicago
Consultant, Griffin Business Consulting
Coordinator of parish evangelization, The Dynamic Catholic Institute
Development and digital media, Parish Catalyst
Financial analyst, Delta Airlines
Forensic services associate, PwC
Front developer, Acquity Group
Legal assistant, U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission
Management and program analyst, FBI
Marketing associate, Dynamic Catholic
Orr Fellow, Angie's List
Professional services analyst, Nielsen Company
Program manager, Microsoft
Quality assurance, Epic Systems
Research analyst, Penang Research Center in Socioeconomy
Technology business analyst, Deloitte
Theology teacher, St. Benedict College Prep
Youth minister, Church of the Ascension

2%
launch independent projects

29%
go to graduate or professional school

Chemical biology: Harvard University
China studies: Peking University
Clinical psychology: Loyola University Chicago, University of North Carolina, Washington University
Education: Boston College, Southern Methodist University
Islamic and Middle Eastern studies: Hebrew University of Jerusalem

36%
enter service programs

Alliance for Catholic Education, Denver, Colorado
Amate House, Chicago
City Year, Boston, Massachusetts
Dominican Volunteers USA, Atlanta, Georgia
Diocese of Kalamazoo, Michigan
ECHO – Faith Formation Leadership Program, South Bend, Indiana
Holy Cross, Uganda
House of Brigid, Ireland
Jesuit Volunteer Corps, Tanzania
KNOM Radio Mission, Alaska
L'Arche, Ireland
NPH International, Guatemala
Salesian Lay Missioners, South Sudan
Seton Home, San Antonio, Texas
Teach for America, Chicago, Illinois
Vincentian Volunteers, United Kingdom

Law: Arizona State University, Southern Methodist University, Texas Tech University, University of Iowa

Leadership development: Saint Mary-of-the-Woods College

Management: Duke University

Medicine: Emory University, Georgetown University, Loyola University Chicago, University of Kansas, University of Michigan, University of Oklahoma, University of Pennsylvania, University of Wisconsin, Vanderbilt University

Physiology: Georgetown University

Political theory: University of Chicago

Sociology: Rice University

Theology: Boston College, Duke University, Graduate Theological Union, Loyola University, Mundelein Seminary, Saint Mary Seminary, Yale University

Curriculum requirements

Primary major

1 foundations of theology and 1 development of theology course (required of all Notre Dame students)

Christian Traditions I and II

2 upper-division Scripture courses (Old Testament and New Testament)

1-credit Proseminar

5 theology electives

Supplementary major

1 foundations of theology and 1 development of theology course (required of all Notre Dame students)

Christian Traditions I and II

1 upper-division Scripture courses (Old Testament or New Testament)

1-credit Proseminar

3 theology electives

Source: Career Center First Destination Reports, 2012-2016



Kim Lisiak '13
Theology major

First: Management fellowship program, Cancer Treatment Centers of America

Now: Chief of staff to the CEO, Cancer Treatment Centers of America

"I was planning on going to medical school and studying pediatric sports medicine. I had my whole life planned out. But I realized I enjoyed studying Theology far more than I enjoyed studying anything before. Theology gave me the ability to critically think about my purpose on this planet.

"It's important to understand the psychology of business — how people work, how people think, how we can problem-solve in a way that best fits everyone. And that's where my Theology major fits in perfectly. It allows me to step back and see the bigger picture, the purpose to why we're all here. My work also requires concise and effective communication and writing. Were it not for my honors thesis and the numerous papers I completed, I would not be the confident writer I am today.

"If you really want to understand who you are, major in Theology. If you want to understand history, study Theology. If you want to help people, study Theology. You will better understand people — and therefore be a better business leader, doctor, lawyer, family member, or friend."

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