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## MASTER OF THEOLOGY for ROMAN CATHOLIC DEACONS PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

### Course Requirements:

Student must provide documentation of completion of diaconate formation program  
2 GTF online E-tutorial courses  
*Research Methodology* is a required non-credit course for M.Th. students

### Thesis requirements:

The student must nominate a member of the GTF faculty to serve as Thesis Supervisor. This enables the student to receive helpful and pragmatic evaluative feedback from a member of the faculty during the development of the thesis. Questions regarding the selection of a Thesis Supervisor should be directed to the Office of Academic Affairs ([academicaffairs@gtfeducation.org](mailto:academicaffairs@gtfeducation.org)).

The master's thesis is a research-based academic work of 35,000-40,000 words (140-160 pages) which addresses some topic, issue or problem in the field of theological inquiry and demonstrates a grasp of the literature and philosophical theological components required in the treatment of the selected topic. The master's thesis must include a table of contents and bibliography of a minimum 20 sources, with annotations for the 10-12 key sources. The thesis must be written in 12 point Times New Roman (or comparable) font, and double-spaced.

When the thesis in its final form has been reviewed and approved by the student's Thesis Supervisor, it must be submitted by the student to the GTF for final review. The master's thesis must be sent electronically to the Office of the Registrar ([registrar@gtfeducation.org](mailto:registrar@gtfeducation.org)) with the following forms:

Master's Thesis Cover Sheet (form 109)  
Thesis Supervisor's Report (form 114)

### Program deadlines:

All academic and financial requirements must be met within three years of date of admission to the program.

Please see the GTF website for further program information.