

**PhD Application for Admission to  
Concordia Seminary  
801 Seminary Place St. Louis, MO 63105**

Please note that applications will not be considered for admission until all required materials have been received by the Graduate School Office. For a complete description of the application materials, please see the checklist on the back page of this form.

**All materials are due by December 7**

1. Print name in full as it is to appear on all official records

NAME \_\_\_\_\_  
Last First Middle

Maiden name, birth name or other names you have used on academic records \_\_\_\_\_

2. SEX: [ ] Male [ ] Female

3. PRESENT ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_  
Street Apt/P.O. Box #

City State Country Zip/Postal Code

4. PERMANENT ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_  
Street Apt/P.O. Box #

City State Country Zip/Postal Code

5. TELEPHONE NUMBER (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ FAX NUMBER (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

6. EMAIL ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

7. DATE OF BIRTH \_\_\_\_\_ PLACE OF BIRTH \_\_\_\_\_

8. COUNTRY OF CITIZENSHIP \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have Permanent Resident status of a country other than that of citizenship? \_\_\_\_\_

If yes, which country? \_\_\_\_\_ What is your number? \_\_\_\_\_

If not a US citizen, what is your visa status? F1 \_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_ Expiration Date \_\_\_\_\_

9. U.S. SOCIAL SECURITY NO. \_\_\_\_\_

10. MATRICULATION: When do you plan to begin your course of study? \_\_\_\_\_

11. Do you plan to be a full-time residential student? \_\_\_\_\_

12. AREA OF CONCENTRATION

[ ] Biblical Studies [ ] Doctrinal Theology [ ] Modern World History  
[ ] Reformation Studies [ ] Theology & Culture

12. For the purpose of assigning you an appropriate *Doktorvater*, please describe in sufficient detail a topic you have an interest in pursuing with a dissertation:

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What is your current debt?

Student Loans \_\_\_\_\_

Other \_\_\_\_\_

**EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS ATTENDED**

Please list in chronological order all institutions which you have attended after high school/secondary school. Official transcripts are required from each college, university and seminary attended.

<u>Name of Institution</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Degree</u>	<u>Year</u>

13. **LANGUAGE BACKGROUND**

Rate yourself to the best of your ability in the languages applicable to your concentration

**GREEK**

- A. Reading [ ] Poor [ ] Fair [ ] Good [ ] Excellent  
 B. Knowledge of Greek grammar [ ] Poor [ ] Fair [ ] Good [ ] Excellent

**HEBREW**

- A. Reading [ ] Poor [ ] Fair [ ] Good [ ] Excellent  
 B. Knowledge of Hebrew grammar [ ] Poor [ ] Fair [ ] Good [ ] Excellent

**OTHER LANGUAGES**

- A. German [ ] Poor [ ] Fair [ ] Good [ ] Excellent  
 B. French [ ] Poor [ ] Fair [ ] Good [ ] Excellent  
 C. Latin [ ] Poor [ ] Fair [ ] Good [ ] Excellent  
 D. Other (please specify) \_\_\_\_\_

What is your native language? \_\_\_\_\_

\*NB: All applicants whose native language is not English are required to submit TOEFL scores.

14. **REFERENCES**

Please provide us with the names of the people who will be writing references (forms enclosed) for you.

\*NB: Graduates of Concordia Seminary, St. Louis, need supply only two references.

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Name Address Phone

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15. To what other graduate schools are you applying? \_\_\_\_\_

16. How did you find out about our Graduate School? \_\_\_\_\_

17. How do you intend to finance your degree work, including living expenses?

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\_\_\_\_\_

18. CHURCH DENOMINATION \_\_\_\_\_

19. MARITAL STATUS \_\_\_\_\_

20. SPOUSE'S NAME (If Applicable) \_\_\_\_\_

21. NAMES AND AGES OF CHILDREN (If Applicable) \_\_\_\_\_

22. EMPLOYMENT INFORMATION

Present Employer \_\_\_\_\_

Job Title \_\_\_\_\_

May we contact you at work if necessary? [ ] Yes [ ] No

Work Phone (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Work email \_\_\_\_\_

What other employment or ministry experience have you had? \_\_\_\_\_

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23. ADDITIONAL MATERIALS

Please provide the Graduate School with all materials on the checklist found on the back of this application. Remember that your application will not be considered for admission until all required materials are received by the Graduate School. All applications are considered in their totality. It should be noted that a student who meets stated requirements is not in any way assured of admission.

24. SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT

I affirm that the information supplied in this application is true and accurate, to the best of my knowledge.

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Signature of Applicant

Date

Please attach  
a recent  
photograph  
of yourself.

**All international  
applicants to the  
Seminary must  
include a clear  
photocopy of the  
identification-and-  
picture page of  
their passport.**

## PhD Application Materials

Please make a photocopy of this list to use as a record of your application progress.

### Students who hold a degree from Concordia, St. Louis must submit the following:

- Application Form
- Statement of Intent  
Please attach a short essay answering the following questions:
  - Why do you want to do further study at Concordia Seminary?
  - Why are you seeking the degree you have selected?
  - In which area do you wish to focus your research and write your dissertation?
  - Please specify where and how you intend to serve once you have completed this degree.
- Statement of Background  
Please attach a short essay on the following topic:
  - Considering the concentration in which you wish to focus your work, describe your background in undergraduate and graduate study, sketching in broad outline the kind of courses you took and describing in some detail those which were of special significance to you.
- A brief essay on a theological topic of your choice.
- Two references/letters of recommendation (forms enclosed)
- The applicant should request that the Registrar's Office send copies of all transcripts and GRE scores to the Graduate School. All applicants are required to submit scores from the new GRE exam, available as of October 2002, which includes an analytical writing section. Applicants who are admitted into the Graduate School may be required to take a summer writing course offered through the seminary prior to matriculation. The Concordia Seminary number for the GRE is R-6115-0.

### Students who do not hold a degree from Concordia, St. Louis must submit the following:

- Application Form
- Statement of Intent  
Please attach a short essay answering the following questions:
  - Why do you want to come to Concordia Seminary, St. Louis to study?
  - Why are you seeking the degree you have selected?
  - In which area do you wish to focus your research and write your dissertation?
- Statement of Background  
Please attach a short essay on the following topic:
  - Considering the concentration in which you wish to focus your work, describe your background in undergraduate and graduate study, sketching in broad outline the kind of courses you took and describing in some detail those which were of special significance to you.
- Official transcripts from each college, university and seminary previously attended
- Three references/letters of recommendation, including one from the last institution attended (forms enclosed)
- All applicants are required to submit scores from the new GRE exam, available as of October 2002, which includes an analytical writing section. Applicants who are admitted into the Graduate School may be required to take a summer writing course offered through the seminary prior to matriculation. The Concordia Seminary number for the GRE is R-6115-0.
- A \$50.00 application fee
- For students whose native language is not English, TOEFL test scores. The Concordia Seminary number for this test is R-6115-0.
- A brief essay, written in English, on a theological topic of your choice.