

Form 1

**ST. STEPHEN'S COLLEGE
MASTER OF THEOLOGICAL STUDIES PROGRAM
Learning Covenant – Guidelines**

Name: _____

Date of program entry: _____

All programs at St. Stephen's College are designed to be used in practical ways. Expanding one's horizon by taking an MTS degree is a personal choice which helps one to integrate new understandings in everyday life. To best help you succeed a set of learning objectives is drafted by each student. These form a "living document", which can be adjusted as needed, but will help to set a direction for your learning.

Context: Provide a brief description of your work/volunteer context which prompts you to embark on the MTS program. Be concise.

Academic Interest: Provide a brief and concise description of your academic interest. State briefly the question that calls to you. How does it arise from your experience and own faith journey.

Learning Objectives: List, in point form, your learning objectives (e.g. Become more informed about different faith traditions, Better understand the trauma of childhood loss, deepen my knowledge of the diversity within Christianity, Explore the spiritual power of Art).

Learning goals: List some specific goals which may contribute to reaching each one of these objectives. (e.g. take courses in three religious traditions, take 2 art classes, take a course in spiritual ethics) and add a time frame to these.

Personal and Spiritual Growth: Include self-care strategies for heightened awareness and integration of personal and spiritual growth during the MTS program. Describe both ongoing and new strategies (e.g. journaling, focused conversations with peers/mentor, spiritual direction). Note how you plan to keep track of your development.

Schedule: Complete the MTS plan of requirements and dates. Include dates for the annual review of these goals and objectives.

Additional Plans: If you wish, provide any other ways you intend to meet your learning goals and enrich the learning opportunity of the MTS program.

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Learning Covenant Review Form

Student: _____ Date: _____

Core Courses

- 1 Academic Writing Date: _____
- 2 Introduction to Theology Date: _____
- 3 Spirituality: From Contemplation to Action Date: _____
- 4 Sacred Texts Date: _____
- 5 Sacred History Date: _____

Inquiry, Research and Evaluation

- Inquiry, Research and Evaluation (Thesis students only) Date: _____

Electives

Category 1 Focus Courses

- _____ Date: _____
- _____ Date: _____
- _____ Date: _____
- _____ Date: _____

Category 2 Supporting Courses

- _____ Date: _____
- _____ Date: _____
- _____ Date: _____

Option

- Thesis
- Culminating Paper
- 1st Specialization Course _____ Date: _____
- 2nd Specialization Course _____ Date: _____

Convocation Date: _____

Student Signature	Department Chair Signature
Date:	Date: