

Pre-Seminary

DIVISION OF
HUMANITIES

SUGGESTED DEGREES:



B.A. in Religion
B.A. in Philosophy
B.A. in History
B.A. in English
B.A. in Sociology
B.A. in Political Science
B.A. in Economics

EXTERNAL RELATIONSHIPS

- New Providence Presbyterian Church, Maryville
- Independent Presbyterian Church, Birmingham
- Lilly Endowment Inc.

The foundation supports Maryville Adventures in Studying Theology (MAST), a program that aims to cultivate youth leaders for the church and world by helping them discover and embrace the traditions of Christian faith, put their faith into practice, and explore important questions of our time.



GRADUATE SCHOOL/SEMINARY PLACEMENTS

Asbury Theological Seminary
Boston College School of Theology and Ministry
Candler School of Theology at Emory University
Columbia Theological Seminary
Duke University Divinity School
Memphis Theological Seminary
Princeton Theological Seminary
Sewanee School of Theology
Southern Baptist Theological Seminary
Union Theological Seminary
University of Chicago Divinity School
University of Dubuque Theological Seminary

SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Several fellowships and scholarships are available to students who are interested in pursuing ministry, church leadership and volunteer service.
Visit maryvillecollege.edu/finaid for details.

Why study for Seminary at Maryville College?

Students from a wide variety of majors can and do attend seminary. What is most important is developing the ability to read texts carefully and analytically, think critically about concrete and abstract problems in relation to historical and social contexts, and communicate effectively both orally and in writing. You will begin to develop these skills and knowledge through Maryville College's required core courses and further develop these forms of literacy in a number of different fields. Students interested in exploring ministry are also able to participate in worship and service activities coordinated by the Center for Campus Ministry and the Campus Minister's office, to pursue the certificate program in ministry and church leadership, and to apply for ministry internship opportunities.

MEET A RECENT GRAD



Zach Plants '20

Currently: Third-year student at Candler School of Theology at Emory University pursuing a Master of Divinity degree and seeking ordination in the United Methodist Church

Zach did not originally choose the Pre-Seminary track but did declare a major in Religion because it would introduce him to psychology, sociology and other aspects of the humanities that interested him. After attending numerous conferences and completing 300+ hours of internships, Zach earned the Certified Nonprofit Professional (CNP) credential.

"Navigating the new terrain of Seminary during a global pandemic has been difficult – but eased by the skills learned through the Pre-Seminary track and CNP," he said. "MC's reading-intensive and writing-heavy courses helped me flourish academically throughout the year and get a job as the Ministry Coordinator at a new church plant in Atlanta's booming Westside. Seeking ordination and a career in hospital ministry would not be possible without all that I learned at Maryville College!"

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