

MASTER OF STUDIES ON MARRIAGE AND FAMILY (MMF)

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

The Master of Studies on Marriage and Family (MMF) is a professional, post-graduate program designed to introduce students to the Catholic understanding of marriage and the family. It provides a rigorous and broad formation that is academic, practical and spiritual, for those persons who wish to work within the Church in the area of marriage and the family. Complementing the intellectual formation of the students there is a substantial emphasis on the acquisition of skills that are necessary to work effectively in a pastoral setting.

PREREQUISITE

It is open to students who have already completed higher education and obtained at least a Bachelors degree equivalent. It does not presuppose prior theological studies, and therefore the program includes some general courses in both theology and philosophy. The MMF is not equivalent to the Canonical Baccalaureate in Theology.

REQUIREMENTS

MMF studies comprise four semesters of basic courses in philosophy and theology and of specialized marriage and family courses.

MMF CURRICULUM

YEAR A		YEAR B	
SEMESTER 1 (FALL)	SEMESTER 2 (SPRING)	SEMESTER 3 (FALL)	SEMESTER 4 (SPRING)
Scripture I: Introduction to the Old Testament	Scripture II: Introduction to the New Testament	Scripture III: Marriage and Family in Sacred Scripture	Anthropology IV: Theology of the Body
Mystery of Salvation I	Mystery of Salvation II	Anthropology III: Christian Meaning of Masculinity and Femininity	Marriage Sacrament and Spirituality
Introduction to Philosophy: Perspectives on Man in Nature	Anthropology II: Moral Theology	Human Love and Sexuality	Children, Parenting and Character Formation
Anthropology I: Philosophical and Theological Perspectives on the Human Person	Marriage and Family in Magisterial Documents	Marriage and Family in Society	Practical Skills and Implementation III: Political Skills
Psychology of the Couple and Family	Practical Skills and Implementation I: Education and Pedagogy	Practical Skills and Implementation II: Project Development	Practical Skills and Implementation IV: Pastoral Case Studies
	<i>Elective</i>	Introduction to Canon Law	<i>Elective</i>
German	German	<i>Elective</i>	