Admissions
Letter from the Vice-President of Institutional Advancement and Enrollment

If you are thinking about attending graduate school, I encourage you to consider several things. First, we live in an increasingly complex world and this trend shows no sign of reversing. Within this complexity, there is a need for leaders who can facilitate justice and stimulate peace. Iliff is one of the premier graduate schools in North America for preparing for these tasks.

Second, we recognize that your life is complicated with multiple demands on your time and finances. With this in mind, we constructed degree programs, courses, and internship opportunities that are both appropriately rigorous and sustainable. At Iliff, I am confident that you will be both challenged and supported to grow academically, personally and professionally, while maintaining a reasonable life balance.

Finally, we are located in sunny and beautiful Denver, Colorado. Denver is considered the “Gateway to the Rocky Mountains” and includes many amazing cultural, educational, and recreational opportunities. Some of the best outdoor opportunities in the world are within an hour of our campus and one of the most vibrant downtowns and cultural centers in America is just a few minutes away from campus. Denver is a fabulous place to live but if you choose to remain where you currently reside, we have developed one of the best sets of online and hybrid courses to facilitate your Iliff education from a distance.

I encourage you to take the next step and visit our campus. Our Admissions Office will coordinate a customized campus visit to fit your interests and needs. Please call us at 720-744-2656 or email us at admissions@iliff.edu to take the next step on your educational journey. I hope to see you here.

David Worley
Vice-President of Enrollment and Institutional Advancement
Admission Requirements for All Master’s Degrees

Candidates for all of the master’s degree programs must hold a baccalaureate degree from a college or university accredited by an agency acceptable to Iliff. Admission is based on several factors including, but not limited to, grade point average, personal references, and an admissions essay.

Normally, a cumulative G.P.A. of at least 2.75 on a 4.0 scale is required for admission to the Master of Divinity, the Master of Arts in Social Justice and Ethics, and the Master of Arts in Pastoral and Spiritual Care programs. A cumulative G.P.A. of at least 3.0 on a 4.0 scale is required for admission to the Master of Arts and the Master of Theological Studies degree programs.

For information about the Doctor of Philosophy in the Study of Religion (PhD) admission requirements, please visit the Joint PhD website.

International Student Information

Applicants to Iliff living outside the United States should consult denominational leaders in their home countries before applying to Iliff. Such leaders can provide guidance regarding special denominational requirements and optimal places of study to prepare for the distinctive ministry in their home countries. Applicants for admission to the Master of Divinity degree program must obtain formal endorsement by their denominational headquarters before their applications can be processed.

Applicants to any degree program whose first language is not English must submit evidence of having passed the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL). Master’s degree applicants will not be considered for admission until they have submitted a satisfactory TOEFL score report form. For more details, please see the Master’s Student Handbook.
Application Deadlines

Deadline for application is **July 31** for fall, **November 15** for winter, and **April 30** for summer quarters.

Transfer Students

Iliff accepts transfer credit from accredited colleges, universities, and seminaries. Requirements for transfer students are the same as for new (first-time) candidates. For more information about transfer credits, contact the Admissions Office at 720-744-2656 or email admissions@iliff.edu.

Iliff Advising Center

When students are admitted to Iliff, they will be assigned an advisor from the Advising Center who will assist them in navigating and completing their educational process. The advisor will be available for consultation throughout the academic year and is available to: assist with the registration process, help create an educational plan, gain approval for special petitions, and to assist in the graduation process. Advisors meet with students a number of times each year, including before registration for each term. Advisors are also available for additional consultation as needed, by appointment.