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Iliff offers several professional degree programs which provide foundational knowledge and expertise in pastoral care and counseling for parish ministry as well as for community work in non-profit and for-profit settings. Students who wish to obtain a counseling license or those interested in more extensive training in community organizing and leadership should consider combining the Iliff degree with further training in clinical and community work.

A cooperative arrangement between Iliff School of Theology and The Graduate School of Social Work (GSSW) at the University of Denver click here for link to GSSW, allows qualified students to pursue concurrently the Master of Divinity, the Master of Arts in Social Change, the Master of Arts in Pastoral and Spiritual Care, the Master of Theological Studies or the Master of Arts degrees with the Master of Social Work degree. The cooperative degree program offers students the opportunity to apply theological learning to social service settings.

Admission Requirements

Students may apply for participation in the cooperative program before beginning study on either degree or after having begun work on one of the two degrees. Admission to the cooperative program is not possible after requirements for either degree have been completed.

Admission requirements of both schools must be met. Admission to one degree program is not contingent on admission to the other. Provisions of the cooperative arrangement apply only to students who are admitted to both programs. Students pursuing both degree programs must notify in writing the Registrars at both Iliff and the Graduate School of Social Work of their cooperative status.

Tuition and Financial Aid

Students will seek financial aid and pay tuition and fees to each school. Federal financial aid, however, cannot be drawn from both schools simultaneously. Each year students in the cooperative program will have a school of primary registration. Students who require financial assistance will apply to the school of primary registration for that assistance on a yearly basis. In rare instances, students will be allowed to adjust their primary school of registration on a quarterly basis.
Length of Study

Each school allows students to transfer a predetermined number of credits from one degree program into the other. This allows students to complete both degrees in a shorter amount of time. For example in the Master of Divinity cooperative degree students transfer 20 quarter credit hours from the Graduate School of Social Work to Iliff and transfer 15 credits from Iliff to GSSW. Thus, students who attend full-time can finish at least one quarter early from each degree program. Students may elect to take courses over a longer period of time or shorten the period by enrolling for courses in the summer.

Sample course of study for cooperative MDIV/MSW:

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100 total quarter credits at Iliff
75 total quarter credits at GSSW

Granting of Degrees

Degrees need not be granted simultaneously. Either faculty can recommend graduation from its program as soon as its requirements have been met. However, the University of Denver requires that the separation of graduation dates be no longer than one year.

Program Requirements

Students must meet all prescribed master’s degree requirements. Certain required courses and electives may be taken in either school and substituted for courses within the other school. For example, where an equivalent course is taken in the School of Social Work, a student may petition to take advanced courses in pastoral theology instead of the introductory course.

Where an Iliff degree requires Part-Time Internship, this requirement is met through the core requirements and field placement at the Graduate School of Social Work.

Upon completion of the social work courses to be applied toward the MDIV, MASC, MAPSC, MA or MTS degree, students must supply the Iliff Registrar with University of Denver transcripts of these courses. Only work done at the C level or better is acceptable.
MDIV Degree Modifications for Cooperative Program:

The Master of Divinity and Master of Social Work cooperative program requires a total of 175 quarter credits. A minimum of 75 credits must be taken at Graduate School of Social Work (GSSW). A minimum of 100 credits must be taken at Iliff. Fifteen credits taken at Iliff may be applied to the Master of Social Work degree; 20 credits taken at GSSW may be applied toward the Master of Divinity degree.

Course Work Credit Required
First Year Interdisciplinary Seminar 4 credits
Comparative Religious Traditions (CR), 4 cr breadth and 4 cr depth 8 credits
Sacred Texts (TX), 4 cr breadth and 4 cr depth 8 credits
Social/Contextual Analysis (AN), 4 cr breadth and 4 cr depth 8 credits
Historical Development (HI), 4 cr breadth and 4 cr depth 8 credits
Constructive Theology (TH), 4 cr breadth and 4 cr depth 8 credits
Theology and Religious Practices (PR), 4 cr breadth and 4 cr depth 8 credits
Vocation & Orientation and Identity, Power, & Difference 4 credits
Electives 44 credits
Transfer credits from GSSW (maximum) 20 credits
Consultation and Guidance (Phases I, II & III)

120 quarter credits total

Note: Students usually opt for having their GSSW field experiences transferred into the Iliff degree in lieu of the MDIV Part Time Internship requirement.

MAPSC Degree Modifications for Cooperative Program:

The Master of Arts in Pastoral and Spiritual Care and Master of Social Work cooperative program requires a total of 143 quarter credits. A minimum of 75 credits must be taken at GSSW. A minimum of 68 credits must be taken at Iliff. Fifteen credits taken at Iliff may be applied to the Master of Social Work degree; 12 credits taken at GSSW may be applied toward the Master of Arts in Pastoral and Spiritual Care degree.

Course Work Credit Required
First Year Interdisciplinary Seminar 4 credits
Comparative Religious Traditions (CR), 4 cr breadth and 4 cr depth 8 credits
Sacred Texts (TX), breadth or depth 4 credits
Social/Contextual Analysis (AN), breadth or depth 4 credits
Historical Development (HI), breadth or depth 4 credits
Constructive Theology (TH), breadth or depth 4 credits
Theology and Religious Practices (PR), must include Intro to 4 credits
Pastoral Theo & Care
Vocation & Orientation and Identity, Power, & Difference  4 credits
CPE  8 credits
Pastoral and Spiritual Care Electives  16 credits
Other Electives  8 credits
Transfer credits from GSSW (maximum)  12 credits
Consultation and Guidance (Phases I, II & III)

80 quarter credits total

MASC Degree Modifications for Cooperative Program

The Master of Arts in Social Change and Master of Social Work cooperative program requires a total of 143 quarter credits. A minimum of 75 credits must be taken at GSSW. A minimum of 68 credits must be taken at Iliff. 15 credits taken at Iliff may be applied to the Master of Social Work degree; 12 credits taken at GSSW may be applied toward the Master of Arts in Social Change degree.

Course Work  Credit Required
First Year Interdisciplinary Seminar  4 credits
Comparative Religious Traditions (CR), breadth or depth  4 credits
Sacred Texts (TX), breadth or depth  4 credits
Social/Contextual Analysis (AN), breadth or depth  4 credits
Historical Development (HI), breadth or depth  4 credits
Constructive Theology (TH), breadth or depth  4 credits
Theology and Religious Practices (PR), must include both  8 credits
          Foundations of Social Change and Community Organizing
Vocation & Orientation and Identity, Power, & Difference  4 credits
Social Change Praxis Courses  8 credits
Social Change Seminars  8 credits
Internship  8 credits
Electives  8 credits
Transfer credits from GSSW (maximum)  12 credits
Consultation and Guidance (Phases I, II & III)

80 quarter credits total
MTS Degree Modifications for Cooperative Program:

The Master of Theological Studies and Master of Social Work cooperative program requires a total of 143 quarter credits. A minimum of 75 credits must be taken at GSSW. A minimum of 68 credits must be taken at Iliff. Fifteen credits taken at Iliff may be applied to the Master of Social Work degree; 12 credits taken at GSSW may be applied toward the Master of Theological Studies degree.

Course Work | Credit Required
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MTS Colloquium | 4 credits
First Year Interdisciplinary Seminar | 4 credits
Learning Plan (must be completed prior to second quarter at Iliff) no credit
Joint MA/MTS Thesis Proposal Class | 4 credits
Interdisciplinary Thesis | 4 credits
Other courses as outlined in learning plan | 44 credits
Transfer credits from GSSW (maximum) | 12 credits

80 quarter credits total

Note: Because the MTS is an academic and not a professional degree, part time internship credits will not be transferred back into Iliff as part of the degree requirements.

MA Degree Modifications for Cooperative Program

The Master of Arts and Master of Social Work cooperative program requires a total of 135 quarter credits. A minimum of 75 credits must be taken at GSSW. A minimum of 60 credits must be taken at Iliff. Fifteen credits taken at Iliff may be applied to the Master of Social Work degree; 12 credits taken at GSSW may be applied toward the Master of Arts degree.

Course Work | Credit Required
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MA Seminar I & II | 8 credits
Courses in the area of specialization | 24 credits
Language requirement no credit
Joint MA/MTS Thesis Proposal Class | 4 credits
Disciplinary Thesis | 4 credits
Other courses | 20 credits
Transfer credits from GSSW (maximum) | 12 credits

72 quarter credits total

Note: Because the MA is an academic and not a professional degree, GSSW field experiences will not be transferred back into Iliff as part of the degree requirements.