



**Pontifical John Paul II Institute for Studies on Marriage and Family  
at The Catholic University of America**

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**Application for Admission:  
Doctorate in Sacred Theology with a Specialization in Marriage and Family**

**Academic Year** 20\_\_

**Semester** \_\_\_ Fall \_\_\_ Spring

**Full Name** \_\_\_\_\_  
Last Name First Name Middle Name

**Contact Information**

Permanent Home Address \_\_\_\_\_

Present Home Address \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_ Fax \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone ( ) ( ) ( ) ( )  
Present Home Present Daytime Cellular Phone

**Place of Birth** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date of Birth** \_\_\_\_\_  
City State Country

**Citizenship** \_\_\_\_\_ **Social Security Number** \_\_\_\_\_

**Sex** \_\_\_ Male \_\_\_ Female

**Ethnic Background**

\_\_\_ White/Caucasian \_\_\_ African American/African \_\_\_ Hispanic/Latino \_\_\_ Asian \_\_\_ Hawaiian/Pacific  
Islander \_\_\_ American Indian/Alaska Native

**State in Life**

\_\_\_ Lay (\_\_\_ Married \_\_\_ Single \_\_\_ Widowed \_\_\_ Separated)

\_\_\_ **Diocesan Clergy**

Diocese \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Bishop \_\_\_\_\_

Address of Bishop \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_ **Religious**

Community \_\_\_\_\_

Province \_\_\_\_\_

Address of Superior \_\_\_\_\_

**Post-Secondary Academic History** (Please fill out completely.)

Institution \_\_\_\_\_ Location \_\_\_\_\_

Degree \_\_\_\_\_ Major \_\_\_\_\_

G.P.A. \_\_\_\_\_ Dates attended \_\_\_\_\_

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G.P.A. \_\_\_\_\_ Dates attended \_\_\_\_\_

**Graduate Record Exam (G.R.E.)** (Our institutional code is 3533.)

Date of exam \_\_\_\_\_ Scores: \_\_\_\_\_ Verbal \_\_\_\_\_ Quantitative \_\_\_\_\_ Analytical

If you have not already taken the G.R.E. within the past five years, the date you plan to take the examination:

\_\_\_\_\_ (Please note that it may take up to 6 weeks for ETS to send scores to the Institute.)  
Month/Day/Year

**Scholarships, Fellowships, Academic Awards, Honors Received:**

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**Extracurricular, Community, and/or Special Interest Activities:**

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## Employment History

Employer\_\_\_\_\_

Location\_\_\_\_\_

Position\_\_\_\_\_

Dates attended\_\_\_\_\_

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Location\_\_\_\_\_

Position\_\_\_\_\_

Dates attended\_\_\_\_\_

Employer\_\_\_\_\_

Location\_\_\_\_\_

Position\_\_\_\_\_

Dates attended\_\_\_\_\_

## References

Please ask three professors who have taught you recently to write letters of recommendation. The recommendation should include an assessment of your achievements as compared with others in the course and an evaluation of your readiness for graduate study. These letters must be sent directly to the John Paul II Institute by the professors. Please list below the persons you have selected as your references.

Name

Title

Institution/Location

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## Essays

Please compose responses to the following two questions:

- In a 1500-word essay, explain your intellectual interests and their relation to the mission of the Institute relative to the current cultural situation. You may wish to refer to the brochure, “The Nature and Purpose of the Institute.” (This essay is waived for applicants who answered it in applying to the S.T.L. program.)
- Read the attached passage from Josef Pieper’s *Leisure as the Basis of Culture*. Write a 1500-word essay, commenting on the significance of the philosophical act in Pieper’s sense, in light of the mission of the Institute.

## Documentation required to complete the application process:

1. Official transcripts from all post-secondary institutions attended (sent between institutions).
2. Official copy of high school diploma or transcript with date of graduation.
3. Official Graduate Record Exam (G.R.E.) scores. Our institutional code is 3533.
4. Copy of passport **or** birth certificate and driver’s license.
5. Letter of permission to study from Bishop or Provincial for those who are religious and/or clergy. If you are a lay person, a letter of presentation from a priest, signifying that you are a Catholic in good standing.
6. Three letters of recommendation from faculty members of academic institutions formerly attended.
7. An electronic photo (headshot).
8. A non-refundable application fee of US \$75 must accompany this form. Please make checks payable to the John Paul II Institute. To pay by credit card see <https://www.johnpaulii.edu/application-fee/> (U.S. citizens), or <https://square.link/u/yhQ8owoq> (international applicants).
9. If you are **not** a U.S. citizen, you must include a completed Admissions Supplement Form, which is available on the web ([www.johnpaulii.edu](http://www.johnpaulii.edu)). This includes the submission of TOEFL scores. Our institutional code is 8751.

Applicants who wish to be considered for scholarships must complete the application process for admissions by January 20, be accepted into the program as a full-time student (full-time students take at least nine credit hours per semester in the M.T.S., S.T.L., and Ph.D. programs and six in the S.T.D.), and submit a scholarship request form.

Signature\_\_\_\_\_

Date\_\_\_\_\_

**Non-United States Resident Applicants Only**

If you are planning to enter the United States with a student visa, the following must be completed before your application will be considered:

**Visa Number** \_\_\_\_\_

**Finances**

<u>Typical Expenses for One Academic Year</u>		<u>Funds Provided by Student</u>	
Tuition	\$20,000	Student's Personal Funds	USD _____
Estimated Fees/Books	1,250	Funds from Other Sources	USD _____
Living Expenses (minimum)	25,000		
Health Insurance (estimate)	<u>4,000</u>		
 Total	 \$50,250	 Total	 USD _____

Health insurance is required for all part-time and full-time students. The Catholic University of America offers a health insurance plan for students.

Please note: The amount of money that the applicant is planning to provide must match or exceed the total amount that has been calculated as needed for one academic year.

Committed to the teaching of Vatican Council II that every type of discrimination, whether based on sex, race, color, social condition, language, or religion, is to be overcome and eradicated as contrary to God's intent (*Gaudium et spes*, n. 29), the Pontifical John Paul II Institute admits students of any race, color, national and ethnic origin to all the rights, privileges, programs, and activities generally accorded or made available to students at the Institute. It does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national and ethnic origin in the administration of its educational policies, admissions policies, scholarship and loan programs, and other Institute-administered programs.

**Admissions Office Use Only**

_____ Date	_____ Transcript	_____ Recommendation #1
_____ High School Diploma	_____ Transcript	_____ Recommendation #2
_____ Birth Certificate/Passport	_____ Transcript	_____ Recommendation #3
_____ Clergy/Religious Letter	_____ GRE Scores	_____ Admissions Supplement
_____ Application Fee	_____ Essays	
Check No. _____		

\_\_\_\_\_ **Action**