

Certificate in Theology and the Arts



Program Design: In addition to the requirements of their Masters-level program, students enrolled in the Certificate in Theology and the Arts will take fourteen credits of RA (Religion & Arts) distributed as follows:

One theoretical course: Choose one (for a total of 2 credits)

RA-113 Art as Worship Worship as Art

RA-153 Art for God's Sake: Art, Culture, and Christian Understanding

RA-120 Making it Real: Symbol, Sacrament, Ritual and Art

Or other course as designated in the course schedule

Introductory courses in three different artistic disciplines: Take 2 credits in three different artistic areas for a total of 6 credits.

Dance

Dramatic and literary arts

Music

Visual art

RA electives in a single artistic discipline: Choose 6 credits in a single artistic discipline (dance, dramatic and literary arts, music or visual art) from the RA course offerings and others as designated in the course schedule. These may include Practicums, Directed Studies, and specialized courses at AU or elsewhere as determined in consultation with RA faculty. Please see **The Arts Course Schedule** and/or **Academic Catalog** for more information.

Eligibility: Current Wesley students in any MDiv, MA, or MTS program are eligible to apply to the Certificate in Theology and the Arts.

If you have already completed a graduate degree from an ATS-accredited theological school, or are currently enrolled in an approved graduate theological degree program at a member institution of the Washington Theological Consortium, you may apply for the Certificate in Theology and the Arts and enroll in the appropriate courses as a non-degree student. No more than 2 RA credits may be transferred from another institution, but full credit will be given for any previous RA courses taken at WTS.

If you have already have completed a graduate theological degree, the CTA will be awarded successful completion of the required 14 credits. If your degree is from Wesley, the Certificate will also be recorded on your transcript.

If you are a current Consortium student, registration and payment of tuition for courses toward the Certificate must be done directly through Wesley. Upon completion of CTA requirements, the official, signed certificates will be held by the WTS Registrar pending proof that you have completed a graduate degree at your home institution.

Students who apply for the Certificate should have some expertise or experience in one of the artistic disciplines, as demonstrated to a committee of RA faculty through the presentation of a portfolio, audition, or other means appropriate to the discipline. Upon acceptance, students will be assigned an advisor from the RA faculty.

How to Apply: Contact the Wesley admissions office at (202) 885-8659 or visit us at www.wesleyseminary.edu for additional program information, to arrange for a campus visit, or to apply. Students are encouraged to declare their interest in the Certificate in Theology and the Arts as part of their admissions process to Wesley.

Questions about the Certificate in Theology and the Arts should be directed to Dr. Aaron Rosen, Director of the Henry Luce III Center for the Arts and Religion at arosen@wesleyseminary.edu.

