

Master of Divinity Degree (MDiv) Student Learning Outcomes

SLO 1: Students will gain knowledge and understanding of the Bible, and the ability to use critical skills and educated imagination to interpret it in contemporary social and cultural contexts.

SLO 2: Students will learn to become skillful interpreters of the history of Christian experience.

SLO 3: Students will be able to think theologically and ethically in relation to particular traditions and contemporary needs.

SLO 4: Students will demonstrate the ability to reflect critically and self-critically on relationships between Christian faith and various forms of systemic injustice.

SLO 5: Students will acquire the knowledge and skillsets necessary for the practice of Christian ministry – as demonstrated by effectiveness in such activities as:

- Leading congregations within the framework of their communions, confessions, and polity
- Preaching, teaching, and leading worship
- Praying and teaching others to pray
- Leading an organization effectively
- Providing public leadership
- Inviting others into the Christian faith
- Offering pastoral care
- Participating in constructive intra-Christian and interreligious engagement

SLO 6: Can articulate own theological perspective, mindful of the global, multicultural, multi-religious context of contemporary ministry.

QEP SLO:

Students can describe strategies, grounded in their practice, for working toward racial justice appropriate to their particular vocational settings. Students can demonstrate competence with this Student Learning Outcome (SLO) in many ways including, but not limited to, the following:

- Defining and using key terms in ways informed by an understanding of systemic racism
- Identifying racism in its many manifestations (structural, personal, communal, etc.)
- Critical reflection on the history and current contexts regarding race, racism, and anti-racism
- Critical reflection on racist and antiracist practices and theologies
- Developing and implementing antiracist policies, practices, and theologies