

A CALL TO MERCY

Online Graduate Certificate in Mercy Spirituality

The GCU Online Graduate Certificate in Mercy Spirituality program combines formal academic coursework, spiritual reflection, and thoughtful dialogue with students and faculty from around the world.

What is to become of struggling societies? Governments? The earth itself? The questions of our time are immense. The humanitarian needs are great. If you're involved in a Mercy-sponsored or Mercy-inspired work, you've likely felt a call to serve. This program, which features five 10-week graduate courses and three online retreats, reflects conversations with people from the Mercy community worldwide. Join in this unique academic and spiritual journey toward clarity and depth as we embrace Mercy. Illuminate your journey, spark your intellect, and cultivate greater openness to people everywhere, as well as to the challenges they face.

The entirely online program takes about a year and a half to complete. Come to understand the underlying nature of the Mercy tradition and explore the personal—and corporate—call of the Spirit in our present time. Scholarships are available.

See reverse for admission requirements and course information.

15 credits

Earn an academic certificate at a deeply discounted tuition rate or pursue the equally rigorous noncredit certificate for a modest fee per course.

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732.987.2770

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georgian.edu/mercy-spirituality

Visit www.georgian.edu/gainful for information about our graduation rates, the median debt of program graduates, and other information.

NEW for FALL 2016!

Choose our new noncredit option for a modest fee per course.

Same exceptional faculty • Same rigorous classes • Different fee structure

REQUIRED COURSES

(15 credits; each course is 3 credits for the academic certificate; no credits will be issued for the noncredit option)

- TH662** Ever Old, Ever New: Foundations of Christian Spirituality
- TH663** Journey of Mercy: History and Spirituality
- TH664** Banquet of Mercy: Comparative Spirituality
- TH665** Mercy Praxis: Spirituality and Ethics
- TH666** Further Explorations "Toward a Theology of Mercy"

Scholarships are available for this program.

The Mercy community is worldwide. This program will help you deepen your understanding of God's Mercy by

- illuminating the relevance of the Catholic Mercy tradition in the troubled modern world;
- delving into Mercy theology, so you understand the Mercy charism more meaningfully;
- teaching you comparative spirituality, because our institutions serve people of many faiths;
- helping you make a deeper connection between your actions and the inspiration for those actions; and
- stirring your heart to know more fully who God is and how God operates in our lives.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

- Complete and submit an application for admission with a \$40 nonrefundable admissions fee.
- Submit a statement of your interest in taking this program of graduate study.
- Submit official transcripts of all previous colleges/institutions you have attended either in sealed, signed envelopes or via electronic submission directly from the registrar's office.
- Submit two letters of recommendation.
- Applicants will be requested to participate in an interview with a program faculty member.

PROGRAM FACULTY LEADERS



Mary-Paula Cancienne, RSM, Ph.D.



Johann M. Vento, Ph.D.



Program at a Glance

- Fully online with a global reach that connects like-minded participants worldwide
- Ideal for people engaged in Mercy-sponsored works, affiliated ministries, and organizations or people interested in further exploring Mercy
- Inspired by the Mercy values of justice, respect, integrity, service, and compassion

A CALL TO SERVE

- Includes three online retreats
- Features a global perspective on the call of Mercy in our time
- Designed to be completed in 18 months



GEORGIAN COURT UNIVERSITY

THE MERCY UNIVERSITY OF NEW JERSEY

FOR UNIVERSITY USE

App. Fee _____

Deposit _____

App. Number _____

GRADUATE APPLICATION

PERSONAL INFORMATION Please print in black ink.

GCU Alum Yes No

Name _____ Sex M F
Last First Former Name (optional)

Address _____
Street
City State Zip Country

Cell Number () Home Telephone ()

E-mail _____ Social Security No. _____

Place of Birth _____ Date of Birth _____
Month Day Year

Citizenship U.S. Citizen U.S. Permanent Resident Other _____
Specify Country

Type of Visa _____ Held Will Apply For

Employer _____ Work Telephone ()

Veteran Status (optional):

Are you a veteran, dependant of a veteran, or on active duty planning to use military or transferable benefits? Yes No

Optional

The following information is voluntary and will not affect the decision for admission. Georgian Court University does not discriminate on the basis of sex, disability, race, color, religion, or national or ethnic origin.

Are you of Hispanic/Latino ethnicity or descent? Yes

Select one or more races with which you identify yourself: American Indian or Alaskan Native Asian Black or African American

Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander White

Religion _____ Marital Status Single Married Divorced

ACADEMIC BACKGROUND

List all colleges and universities attended, beginning with the most recent. Include additional sheets if necessary. Please write your name as it appears on your transcript. All official transcripts must be submitted.

Name & location of institution	Dates of attendance (From-To)	Academic program	Name of degree & date awarded

Please check box(es) that apply to you: GCU Reactivation (within one year or less) GCU Returning (after one year or more)

International New Degree Student Audit (Noncredit) Non-matriculating (course) _____

Campus/Site: Lakewood GCU at Central Regional High School Communiversity Online Other _____

The semester and year you wish to attend GCU: Fall Winter Spring Summer | Year _____

Indicate One Reason for Attending Georgian Court University:

To apply for a Georgian Court University M.A. or M.S. degree

To qualify for NJ instructional, administrative, or educational services certification

To earn a Georgian Court University certificate in a field of my interest

For self-enrichment or personal development

For self-enrichment now, plan to matriculate later (Note that individuals may take up to 6 credits without matriculating.)

TEACHER CERTIFICATION *(If applicable, attach copy of current certification.)*Type of certificate currently held Standard (CEAS) Eligibility with Advanced Standing

State(s) issuing certification _____

Level/Subject matter area(s) of certification _____

Certificate of Eligibility or emergency certificates are not acceptable for programs that require NJ state certification.

*Indicate the program to which you are applying:***SCHOOL OF ARTS & SCIENCES**

- M.A., Applied Behavior Analysis
- M.A., Clinical Mental Health Counseling
 - GCU Professional Counselor Certificate
- M.A., School Psychology
 - GCU Certificate of Advanced Graduate Study in School Psychology
- M.A., Holistic Health Studies
 - GCU Holistic Health Certificate
- M.S., Homeland Security
 - GCU Homeland Security Certificate
- M.A., Theology
 - GCU Mercy Spirituality Certificate
 - Credit
 - Noncredit (Audit)
 - GCU Parish Business Management Certificate
 - GCU Pastoral Ministry Certificate
 - Institute for Lay Ecclesial Ministry
 - Camden Lay Formation Program

SCHOOL OF BUSINESS & DIGITAL MEDIA

- One-Year Accelerated M.B.A.
- Two-Year Traditional M.B.A.
 - GCU Parish Business Management Certificate
 - GCU Business Essentials Certificate
 - GCU Nonprofit Management Certificate

SCHOOL OF EDUCATION**Initial Preparation Programs**

For applicants with a bachelor's degree who DO NOT hold a New Jersey instructional certificate; select either the M.A. in Education or Postbaccalaureate Certification and the program that matches your teaching goal.

- M.A. in Education—School Counselor
- M.A. in Education with Teacher Certification in (choose from Certification Options list) **OR**
- Accelerated Postbaccalaureate Teacher Certification (choose from Certification Options list) **OR**
- Postbaccalaureate Teacher Certification (choose from Certification Options list)

Certification Options

- Inclusive Early Childhood Education P–3 with Teacher of Students with Disabilities Endorsement
- Elementary Education K–6 with Teacher of Students with Disabilities Endorsement
- Elementary Education K–6 with Teacher of Students with Disabilities Endorsement and Specific Subject 5–8 Certification in *(check one)*:
 - English Language Arts Literacy
 - Mathematics
 - Science
 - Social Studies
 - Spanish
- Teacher of a Specific Subject K–12 (secondary) with Teacher of Students with Disabilities Endorsement. Subject areas include *(check one)*:
 - Art
 - Biology
 - Chemistry
 - English
 - Mathematics
 - Music
 - Physical Science
 - Physics
 - Social Studies
 - Spanish

Advanced Professional Programs

For applicants who hold a New Jersey instructional certificate. Choose ONE program.

Postbaccalaureate Certificate Program

- Autism Spectrum Disorders

Master's Degree Programs

- M.A. in Administration & Leadership (with Supervisor, Principal, School Business Administrator, School Administrator Certification)
- Autism Spectrum Disorders
- Early Childhood P–3
- English as a Second Language (ESL)
- Inclusive Early Childhood P–3
- Learning Disabilities Teacher Consultant
- Reading Specialist
- Special Education

Post-Master's Certification Programs

- Director of School Counseling Services
- Learning Disabilities Teacher Consultant
- Principal
- School Administrator
- School Business Administrator
- School Supervisor

ALL GRADUATE STUDENTS

I hereby make application to Georgian Court University. To the best of my knowledge, the information on this application is true and complete. I give permission to release academic information to Georgian Court University and understand that all records once submitted become the property of Georgian Court University.

Signature of Applicant _____ Date _____

Complete this form and send it with a \$40 nonrefundable application fee to the Office of Graduate Admissions, Georgian Court University, 900 Lakewood Avenue, Lakewood, NJ 08701-2697.