

ADDITIONAL APPLICATION INFORMATION for the PH.D. PROGRAM

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1. The PhD application must be accompanied by a nonrefundable **application fee of \$50.00** payable to Luther Seminary.
2. Write a statement (no more than 5 pages) indicating the factors which have brought you to your present educational, intellectual and ecclesiastical interests and vocational objectives. Indicate what you hope to gain from doctoral study at Luther Seminary.
3. Submit a recent sample of your work, normally not exceeding 5000 words, that demonstrates your academic ability in the proposed field of study. This paper may have been prepared for a previous purpose or may be written for this application.
4. **List the names of three references** who are well acquainted with you and your qualifications. Please **send the enclosed recommendation forms** to the persons named below to complete and return to this office. You should include two seminary or graduate school professors and one college professor with whom you have studied. If your college study was more than five years ago, another academic reference may be substituted.

5. **Have the following sent directly** from the appropriate institutions to the Graduate Theological Education Office, Luther Seminary:
(a) **official transcripts** from each college and seminary that you have attended, with the degree posted (when applicable).
(b) the Graduate Record Examination (**GRE**) General Test Score, or in the case of applicants whose native language is not English, the Test of English as a Foreign Language Score (**TOEFL**). Both of these examinations are administered by the Educational Testing Service, Princeton, NJ 08541-6004. All information is on their web site – <http://www.ets.org>. **Note that arrangements should be made early** so sufficient time is allowed for reporting the scores to Luther. Luther Seminary's code number to be used in requesting your scores to be sent to us is **#6377**.
6. Indicate which **languages** you are now prepared to take a translation examination. (To avoid negative impact on doctoral study, it is strongly recommended that one modern language examination be taken at the time of entrance. Both language examinations must be passed before the comprehensive examination proposal can be submitted.) **Please indicate your level of proficiency** by listing the language courses or other work you have had:

German _____ Greek _____
Latin _____ Hebrew _____
French _____ Other _____
Spanish _____ Research statistics* _____
English (for applicants whose native language is not English) _____

* = an alternative for a modern language in the Leadership Division