

**Complete Course List for Fall 2025** (\*Indicates a recommended/featured course.)

What follows is all the courses offered in Spring 2025 that *automatically* count for the minor. To ask about a course that is not on this list, please contact Naomi Fisher, Director of Catholic Studies: [nfisher1@luc.edu](mailto:nfisher1@luc.edu).

To bring these courses up on LOCUS, do an 'Undergraduate CORE/Interdisciplinary Search', select 'Interdisciplinary' and under 'Value' select 'Catholic Studies'. *This is the master list: if a course is on this list, but for some reason does not come up on the search, it **will** count.*

**Catholic Studies Core Requirement (CATH 296 or CATH 303):**

\*CATH 296: All Things Ignatian (Dr. Michael Murphy)

**Lower division electives:**

\*FNAR 200: Art History: Prehistoric to 600 CE (Dr. Rebecca Ruppar)

HIST 101: Western Ideas & Institutions to 17th Century

\*MUSC 108-10E: Liturgical Choir

\*PHIL 130: Philosophy and Persons (only sections by Dr. Naomi Fisher or Fr. James Murphy)

PHIL 190: Loyola's Mission: The Philosophical Vision

\*PHIL 288: Philosophy and Biology for the Future (Dr. Joe Vukov and Dr. Michael Burns)

SOCL 145: Religion & Society

THEO 100: Christian Theology

THEO 185: Christian Ethics

THEO 190: Loyola's Mission: Ignatian Traditions

THEO 204: Religious Ethics and the Ecological Crisis

THEO 231: Hebrew Bible/Old Testament

THEO 232: New Testament

THEO 265: Sacraments and the Christian Imagination

THEO 266: The Church and Global Cultures

\*THEO 279: Roman Catholicism (Dr. Mara Brecht)

\*THEO 293: Christian Marriage (Dr. Michael Murphy)

**Upper division electives:**

(\*\*CATH 296 (offered in Fall) or CATH 303/PHIL 342 can count as an upper-level elective if you take both)

ENGL 320: English Literature: Medieval Period

HIST 310A: Medieval World 1100-1500

HIST 310F: Medieval Inquisitions and Heresy

\*PHIL 389: Contemporary Issues: Philosophy and Film

\*PHIL 396: Seminar in Medieval Philosophy: Augustine to Aquinas

THEO 303: Pentateuch

\*THEO 317: Christian Thought: Ancient-Medieval

**Rome Campus classes:**

*Lower Division:*

CLST 277: World of Late Antiquity

HIST 101: Western Ideas & Institutions to 17th Century

THEO 100: Christian Theology

THEO 204: Religious Ethics and the Ecological Crisis

THEO 266: The Church and Global Cultures

THEO 279: Roman Catholicism

*Upper Division:*

FNAR 342: Art in Rome

FNAR 343: Baroque Art

ROST 382: Human Rights: View from Rome

**The Catholic Studies minor comprises six courses and a capstone (6 units must be unique to the minor):**

- **CATH 296 or CATH 303**
- **Five electives:**
  - **At least two must be upper division.**
  - **At least one must be THEO and at least one must be PHIL.**
  - **No more than two classes from a single academic discipline can count toward the minor.**
- **A zero-credit capstone, undertaken your final Spring at Loyola.**

**Core Course for Spring 2025:**

**CATH 296: All Things Ignatian, Dr. Michael Murphy  
MWF 10:25–11:15 AM**

- Engaged Learning
- Upper Division THEO elective

*The Course will*

- Explore the founder of the Jesuits, St. Ignatius Loyola
- Introduce the Spiritual Exercises, a highly refined and adaptable method of prayer with a focus on contemplation, love for others, and justice in the world.
- Examine Ignatian Spirituality as a practical resource for addressing critical issues in the Church and the world.
- Examine a variety of other Ignatian topics such as the importance of theological reflection, scholarship, social justice, the arts, creativity, engagement with cultures, interreligious dialogue, and personal freedom.

*Engaged Learning Opportunity*

- Service Learning with opportunities in the Rogers Park neighborhood.
- Weekend retreat in the Ignatian Tradition at LUREC.
- Field-work experience at one of the many colloquia on campus, museum exhibitions, or live performances.