



Information for International Students Applying for Admissions to Master's-Level Programs

Please review the website for information on our seminary and admissions process. There is also a section on admissions on page 72 of our online catalog that can be found by clicking [catalog](#).

Application Deadline/Fall Admissions

The application deadline for international students is December 1 each year.

For **MDIV**, **MFT**, and **MAR** Applicants: A \$50 application fee is required. Because our online payment system may not work for those out of the United States, you should allow time to mail your bank check or money order using address on next page made payable to "Louisville Seminary" and through the postal service to make the deadline. Be sure to mail to the attention of "Office of Admissions."

TOEFL

- LPTS requires a TOEFL score with application for admission. A score of 550 or better is required on the paper-based exam, a 213 or better on the computer-based exam or a 79 or better on the internet-based exam.
- The LPTS TOEFL institution code number is 1411.
- LPTS does **not** accept IELTS scores.
- A TOEFL score may be waived for those who have completed a degree in the United States and submit a reference from a professor of a course completed for that degree.

Expenses and Financial Aid

- Admitted international students may receive a 100% tuition scholarship from LPTS. There may be additional scholarship funds available that can provide for some cost-of-living expenses, but these funds are not available every year, and they will not cover all living expenses.
- Upon acceptance, international students will receive an estimate of anticipated annual expenses, considering any scholarships received. International students are required to pay a deposit equivalent to five months of estimated expenses prior to being issued an I-20. This payment includes a \$200 non-refundable tuition deposit and appropriate housing deposit. The five months deposit minus the tuition deposit is refundable if you formally withdraw in writing to the Office of Admissions prior to matriculation.

I-20 from LPTS

The SEVIS Designated School Official issues an I-20 to each international student who formally accepts admission and pays the required deposit equal to 5 months of estimated expenses as provided by the Financial Aid Coordinator.

- To issue an I-20, LPTS must also receive documentation of financial resources that the student will use for all expenses beyond what LPTS financial aid can cover.
- The issued I-20 will include a number important for completing the on-line SEVIS Form I-901 at www.fmjfee.com (cost: \$350).
- If transferring from another U.S.-based school, please contact the LPTS SEVIS Designated School Official to obtain a SEVIS Transfer I-20 Request form.

Transfer Credit

- The full LPTS transfer policy can be found on pages 72-74 of our [catalog](#). Transfer credit is typically awarded for coursework done at a school accredited by the Association of Theological Schools. On occasion, LPTS may accept transfer credit from another school accredited by an appropriate U.S.-based accrediting body.

If you have additional questions or need more information, please contact:

- Kilen Gray, Dean of Community Life and SEVIS Designated School Official (DSO), kgray@lpts.edu, for I-20 issues after accepted for admissions.
- Lisa Lias, Student Support Specialist, llias@lpts.edu, for housing
- Jennifer Anderson, Financial Aid Coordinator, janderson@lpts.edu, for financial aid
- Becky Young, Admissions Specialist, byoung@lpts.edu, for general admissions issues

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