



NAZARENE
THEOLOGICAL
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Statement of Educational Effectiveness

Fall 2016

Nazarene Theological Seminary fulfills its mission of preparing women and men to be faithful and effective ministers of the Gospel of Jesus Christ through educational programs that engage students in a missional curriculum.

To measure the effectiveness of its educational programs, Nazarene Theological Seminary's faculty has developed outcome assessment plans that are implemented annually. The results are presented annually for faculty review in the annual report of each degree director. The assessment plans and annual reports are available by request from the Office of the Dean of the Faculty.

Completion Rates			
Source: ATS			
MDiv			
	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
<2 years	4%	0%	0%
2 to <3 years	7%	9.5%	0%
3 to <4 years	18%	14%	23.3%
4 to <5 years	21%	38%	40%
5 to <6 years	18%	9.5%	6.7%
6+ years	32%	29%	30%
Professional MA			
<2 years	0%	0%	0%
2 to <3 years	0%	17%	0%
3 to <4 years	60%	17%	20%
4 to <5 years	30%	0%	40%
5 to <6 years	10%	33%	20%
6+ years	0%	33%	20%
MA(TS)			
<2 years	0%	0%	0%
2 to <3 years	0%	0%	10%
3 to <4 years	33%	33%	50%
4 to <5 years	33%	0%	10%
5 to <6 years	0%	33%	0%
6+ years	33%	33%	30%
DMin			
<2 years	0%	0%	0%
2 to <3 years	14%	0%	0%
3 to <4 years	43%	100%	50%
4 to <5 years	29%	0%	25%
5 to <6 years	0%	0%	0%
6+ years	14%	0%	25%

Placement Rates			
Source: ATS			
MDiv			
	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15
Vocational ministry placement	90%	89%	85.7%
Non-ministry placement	3%	7%	0%
Further study	7%	0%	0%
Seeking placement	0%	4%	9.5%
Other	0%	0%	4.8%
Unknown	0%	7%	0%
Professional MA			
Vocational ministry placement	100%	70%	66.7%
Non-ministry placement	0%	30%	33.3%
Further study	0%	0%	0%
Seeking placement	0%	0%	0%
Other	0%	0%	0%
Unknown	0%	0%	0%
MA(TS)			
Vocational ministry placement	50%	33%	66.7%
Non-ministry placement	33%	0%	33.3%
Further study	17%	0%	0%
Seeking placement	0%	0%	0%
Other	0%	33%	0%
Unknown	0%	33%	0%
DMin			
Vocational ministry placement	100%	100%	100%
Non-ministry placement	0%	0%	0%
Further study	0%	0%	0%
Seeking placement	0%	0%	0%
Other	0%	0%	0%
Unknown	0%	0%	0%

Overall Satisfaction with Program
(1 – Lowest; 5 – Highest), NA – data not available

MDiv

	2012-2013		2013-2014		2014-2015	
	NTS	All ATS	NTS	All ATS	NTS	All ATS
I have been satisfied with my academic experience	4.4	4.3	4.1	4.4	4.4	4.4
Faculty were supportive and understanding	4.3	4.4	4.4	4.4	4.3	4.5
My faith is stronger than when I came	4.1	4.2	4.2	4.3	4.8	4.4
My personal faith has been respected	4.2	4.3	4.2	4.3	4.5	4.3
If I had to do it over, I would still come here	4.0	4.3	4.3	4.3	4.6	4.4

Professional MAs (MACFD and MAICS)

	2012-2013		2013-2014		2014-2015	
	NTS	All ATS	NTS	All ATS	NTS	All ATS
I have been satisfied with my academic experience	4.5	4.4	3.3	4.5	4.3	4.5
Faculty were supportive and understanding	4.5	4.5	3.3	4.5	4.5	4.5
My faith is stronger than when I came	4.3	4.2	3.4	4.4	4.5	4.4
My personal faith has been respected	4.5	4.3	3.1	4.5	4.3	4.5
If I had to do it over, I would still come here	4.3	4.3	3.6	4.5	4.3	4.4

Academic MA (MA(TS))

	2012-2013		2013-2014		2014-2015	
	NTS	All ATS	NTS	All ATS	NTS	ATS
I have been satisfied with my academic experience	4.2	NA	4.2	4.4	NA	4.4
Faculty were supportive and understanding	4.5	NA	4.2	4.4	NA	4.4
My faith is stronger than when I came	4.2	NA	4.3	4.3	NA	4.2
My personal faith has been respected	4.5	NA	4.3	4.4	NA	4.3
If I had to do it over, I would still come here	3.8	NA	4.0	4.3	NA	4.3

Student Rating of Their Learning (1-Lowest; 5-Highest), NA – data not available							
MDiv							
	2012-2013		2013-2014		2014-2015		
	NTS	All ATS	NTS	All ATS	NTS	All ATS	
Ability to preach well	4.1	4.2	3.8	4.1	4.0	4.2	
Ability to use and interpret Scripture	4.4	4.4	4.5	4.5	4.6	4.5	
Knowledge of church doctrine and history	4.3	4.2	4.5	4.2	4.3	4.2	
Ability to lead others	4.0	4.2	4.2	4.0	4.1	4.0	
Knowledge of/respect for my own religious tradition	4.2	4.2	4.5	4.3	3.9	4.1	
Ability to interact effectively with those from cultural and racial/ethnic contexts other than my own	NA	NA	4.1	4.0	3.7	4.0	
Awareness and appreciation of the globalized context in which ministry is practiced	NA	NA	4.4	4.1	4.1	4.1	
Ability to administer a parish	4.0	3.6	3.7	3.4	3.6	3.4	
Ability to think theologically	4.6	4.4	4.6	4.5	4.8	4.5	
Ability to pray	3.7	3.8	3.8	3.6	3.9	3.6	
Strength of spiritual life	4.0	4.0	4.0	3.9	4.1	3.9	
Professional MAs (MACFD and MAICS)							
	2012-2013		2013-2014		2014-2015		
	NTS	All ATS	NTS	All ATS	NTS	All ATS	
Ability to teach well	4.2	4.0	3.4	4.0	4.3	4.1	
Ability to use and interpret Scripture	3.8	4.1	3.7	4.2	4.0	4.2	
Knowledge of church doctrine and history	3.3	3.9	3.1	4.0	4.3	4.1	
Ability to lead others	4.0	4.1	3.4	4.1	4.0	4.1	
Knowledge of/respect for my own religious tradition	3.3	4.0	4.0	4.2	4.0	4.1	
Ability to interact effectively with those from cultural and racial/ethnic contexts other than my own	NA	NA	3.9	4.1	4.0	4.1	
Awareness and appreciation of the globalized context in which ministry is practiced	NA	NA	4.0	4.1	4.5	4.2	
Ability to think theologically	4.5	4.3	3.8	4.4	3.8	4.3	
Ability to pray	3.7	3.8	2.7	3.7	3.3	3.7	
Strength of spiritual life	3.8	4.1	3.1	4.2	3.8	4.1	
Academic MA (MA(TS))							
	2012-2013		2013-2014		2014-2015		
	NTS	All ATS	NTS	All ATS	NTS	All ATS	
Ability to use and interpret Scripture	4.2	NA	4.8	4.2	NA	4.3	
Ability to teach well	3.8	NA	4.0	4.0	NA	4.0	
Knowledge of church doctrine and history	4.3	NA	4.7	4.1	NA	4.1	
Knowledge of Christian philosophy and ethics	4.7	NA	4.3	4.1	NA	4.1	
Ability to think theologically	4.8	NA	4.8	4.4	NA	4.4	