

LCMS SEMINARY INFORMATION

1. Concordia Seminary is located in St. Louis, MO. The institution's primary mission is to train pastors, deaconesses, missionaries, chaplains, and church leaders for the Lutheran Church–Missouri Synod (LCMS). Concordia Seminary is the second oldest Lutheran seminary (Lutheran Theological Seminary at Gettysburg, established in 1826, being the oldest), and one of the largest Seminaries in the United States. Founded in 1839, the seminary initially resided in Perry County, Missouri. In 1849 it was moved to St. Louis, and in 1926 the current campus was built. Concordia shares the duty of clerical training for the LCMS with Concordia Theological Seminary in Fort Wayne, Indiana. The seminary is considered theologically conservative, as it does not train women for ordination, and also promotes historical-grammatical and reader response criticism interpretation of the Bible. It is an accredited member of the Association of Theological Schools in the United States and Canada and the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools. Additional information may be found at www.cls.edu.
2. Concordia Theological Seminary is located in Fort Wayne, IN. Concordia Theological Seminary is a seminary of the Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod. It was founded in Fort Wayne, Indiana in 1846 by Wilhelm Sihler, to meet the need for pastors to German Lutheran immigrants to the United States. Concordia Theological Seminary was at one time considered the practical seminary of the LCMS while Concordia Seminary in St. Louis was considered the academic seminary. Some say those distinctions have now reversed. Concordia Theological Seminary is theologically conservative, emphasizing study of the Scriptures and the Lutheran Confessions. The seminary is a liturgical community following the practice of praying the divine offices each day, including Matins, Vespers and Compline as well as celebrating the Lord's Supper each week. Additional information may be found at www.ctsfw.edu.

LCMS COLLEGES & UNIVERSITIES

Concordia University at Ann Arbor, MI	Concordia University-Texas at Austin, TX
Concordia College - NY at Bronxville, NY	Concordia University at Irvine, CA
Concordia University Wisconsin at Mequon, WI	Concordia University at Portland, OR
Concordia University Chicago at River Forest	Concordia University at St. Paul, MN
Concordia College at Selma, AL	Concordia University at Seward, NE