

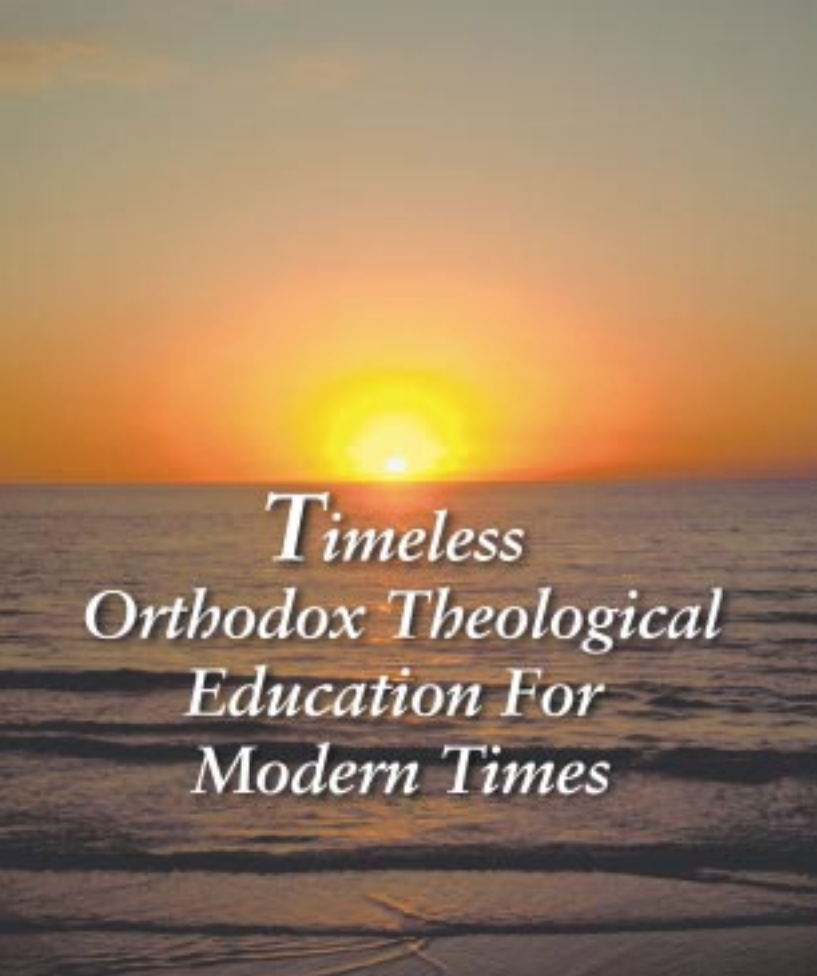


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ANTIOCHIAN HOUSE OF STUDIES

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An Overview

The Antiochian House of Studies is the advanced theological education institute of the Antiochian Orthodox Christian Archdiocese of North America. Founded in 1980 by Metropolitan PHILIP, Primate of the Antiochian Orthodox Christian Archdiocese of North America, it provides advanced theological education in a “distance education” environment for those who desire to further their knowledge of the Holy Orthodox Faith, but who cannot attend a seminary on a full time basis because of their life circumstances. As such, it opens this invaluable educational experience to a much wider audience of believers who otherwise would not have this opportunity. The Antiochian House of Studies currently offers the following four programs:

- ❁ St. Stephen’s Diploma Program in Orthodox Theology
- ❁ Master of Arts in Applied Orthodox Theology
- ❁ House of Studies Residency Program
- ❁ Doctor of Ministry in the Eastern Christian Context

These are described more fully on the following pages.



St. Stephen's Diploma Program in Orthodox Theology

The St. Stephen's Diploma Program in Orthodox Theology, with its structure of guided reading, written examinations and required field education projects in the local parish, offers a unique distance education opportunity for those who wish to increase their knowledge of the faith and to acquire practical skills in church ministry. Areas of study include fundamentals of Orthodoxy, scripture, doctrine, liturgical theology, pastoral theology, church history, patristics, canon law, and spirituality. There are two options within the St. Stephen's Program.

- The Orthodox Education option (1 year) is designed to provide specialized training for teachers of Orthodoxy seeking to master their subject matter.
- The Regular Program option (3 years) is intended for advanced study, and gives a deep immersion in the Orthodox Faith. St. Stephen's offers specialized training on a professional level, and a support system which is led by a mentor who is a specialist in his or her field. Taken by itself, the St. Stephen's Course will result in a Diploma in Orthodox Theology.

Master of Arts in Applied Orthodox Theology

The MA in Applied Orthodox Theology is a degree program currently accredited by the Republic of Lebanon, and is part of the St. John of Damascus School of Theology at the University of Balamand in Lebanon. The required co-requisites for this degree program are as follows: Completion of the Regular option (3 year) of the St. Stephen's Course in Orthodox Theology; Completion of 3 units of the House of Studies Residency Program; and completion of a Master's Research Paper.



Doctor of Ministry in the Eastern Christian Context

This advanced degree program is accredited by the Pittsburgh Theological Seminary in collaboration with the Antiochian House of Studies. It is aimed at practicing clergy with full time ministries who wish to enhance their ministry through systematic study and reflection. Participants remain in their places of ministry throughout the program, and attend classes three or four weeks a year. Emphasis is placed on integration of the theological disciplines with major areas of church leadership. Six core seminars covering the theology of ministry, ecclesiology, canon law, spiritual and pastoral care, education, ethics and community issues make up half of the program. They are taught at the Antiochian Heritage and Learning Center by a combined faculty of Pittsburgh Seminary and recognized Eastern Christian scholars. Following completion of these courses, students will select an area for further study and design a doctoral project in that area of interest. A Proposal Colloquium Seminar and two electives help to prepare for the writing of the doctoral paper. Candidates must hold a Master of Divinity degree or its equivalent from an accredited divinity school, and must have completed a minimum of three years in full time ministry.

House of Studies Residency Program

The House of Studies Residency Program is an intensive hands-on, instructor led experience aimed at teaching practical issues with a focus on Antiochian Orthodox Christian tradition and practice. It is specifically designed for St. Stephen's students who wish to pursue the MA in Applied Orthodox Theology, and as an adjunct program required for Antiochian Seminarians, and Seminarians from several other Orthodox jurisdictions. It provides a classroom setting with instructors drawn from a pool of renowned Orthodox theologians, and allows for intensive interaction, and dialog. Each week of residency will result in one unit of residency credit. Three units are required as a prerequisite to the MA degree, and six units are required for Seminarians.



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- MA Applied Orthodox Theology
- Doctor of Ministry

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