

St. Mary's College

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MISSION

St. Mary's College is a coeducational private Catholic liberal arts college with the mission to develop the minds, bodies, and souls of students in accordance with the perennial educational and moral principles of the Roman Catholic Church. Operating under the auspices of the Society of St. Pius X, the College provides a structured, traditional, social, and academic environment in which students pursue truth within a challenging, balanced liberal arts curriculum, and take active part in the life and liturgy of a thriving community fully committed to developing Christian values. St. Mary's College is a Kansas Board of Regents approved school.

PURPOSE

St. Mary's College offers a comprehensive course of study based on classical liberal arts models. Given the specifically Catholic nature of the institution's founding and operation, this curriculum necessarily focuses on Theology, Philosophy, and Latin, but also includes Literature, History, Mathematics, Science, Rhetoric, and Fine Arts. Catholic liberal arts education aims to prepare young Catholic men and women to attain true freedom, personal excellence, and happiness through the systematic development of intellect and will. While ultimately in harmony with the necessarily efficient and practical ends of higher education, the liberal arts education promotes personal growth and a breadth of perspective impossible to achieve through strictly technical or vocational study by projecting ideas and diverse subject matter against the backdrop of Revelation.

The St. Mary's Associates of Arts degree will prepare students for further study in four-year elective curricula, as well as graduate and professional schools. Having completed their studies in the atmosphere of the St. Mary's community, all students will remain acutely receptive to the possibility of a religious vocation. Perhaps the greatest legacy of a liberal arts education lies in the freedom students realize in choosing well their paths in life. Having developed a love of truth and discipline, students will assess both their career potential and realistic limitations with equal clarity. The formation encourages an insightful approach to considering various vocations in a manner most likely to ensure success and happiness in this world, and more importantly, the next.

THE CURRICULUM

St. Mary's College offers a fixed two-year Catholic liberal arts curriculum. The Humanities core promotes integration of all subjects, encouraging students to move beyond compartmentalized thought, and to recognize the importance of each curricular component in their ultimate formation. Within Catholic and liberal arts parameters, lower and higher sciences harmonize as the student both absorbs inductive processes and makes deductive connections; ultimately, an insightful thinker emerges, able to recognize truth through causes, free from circumstantial limitations. The St. Mary's curriculum provides a legitimate and fully Catholic liberal arts foundation for our students, whether they choose to continue their studies in a four-year elective curriculum, or in a professional degree program.

FIRST YEAR

First Semester (20 Credits)

ENG 101: Literature/Composition I (3)
HIS 101: Ancient History (3)
Latin: 5 first-year levels available (3)
MAT 111 or 121: Algebra or Calculus (3)
MUS 101: Western Music I (2)
PHI 101: Logic (3)
THE 101: De Revelatione (3)

Second Semester (20 Credits)

ENG 102: Literature/Composition II (3)
HIS 102: Medieval History (3)
Latin: 5 first-year levels available (3)
MAT 112 or 122: Trigonometry or Calculus (3)
MUS 102: Western Music II (2)
PHI 102: Natural Philosophy (3)
THE 102: De Ecclesia (3)

SECOND YEAR

First Semester (19 Credits)

COM 201: Public Speaking (1)
ENG 201: Literature/Composition III (3)
HIS 201: Early Modern History (3)
Latin: 5 second-year levels available (3)
PHI 201: Psychology (3)
PHY 201: Physical Science I (3)
THE 201: God and Creation (3)

Second Semester (19 Credits)

COM 202: Public Speaking (1)
ENG 202: Literature/Composition IV (3)
HIS 202: Modern History (3)
Latin: 5 second-year levels available (3)
PHI 202: Ethics (3)
PHY 202: Physical Science II (3)
THE 212: God and Redemption (3)

CATHOLIC TEACHER SEMINARS

The College hosts annual Catholic Teacher training seminars conducted by the US District Education Committee. These seminars provide opportunities for current and prospective teachers in US District schools to acquire methods training and resources previously only available to students attending the Catholic Teacher Training Program. The College and the District Education Committee believe that successful and effective teachers both understand the spirit of Catholic education and possess the tools and training to educate students according to that spirit. The Catholic Teacher Seminars were developed to show new teachers how to approach education by giving them an introduction to the philosophy of education as well as an understanding of the spirit of Catholic education. Beyond establishing this theoretical foundation, the Seminars provide not only practical instruction to new teachers in the methods and practices of successful teachers, but continuing support throughout the year.

APPLICATION PROCEDURE

Students may request an application from the Office of Admissions, St. Mary's College, 200 East Mission Street, Saint Marys, Kansas 66536, or online, www.smac.edu/?CollegeMain.

Complete applications will include:

- 1) **Transcripts:** St. Mary's College cannot admit students without transcripts. High School graduates should request that their High School mail an official transcript directly to the College. Students entering on the basis of a GED should have the diploma-issuing school mail a transcript or records.
- 2) **ACT/SAT Scores:** All freshmen applicants must submit results from Scholastic Aptitude Tests (SAT), and/or the American College Testing (ACT) Program.
- 3) **Transfer Materials:** Transfer students must submit an official transcript from each college or university attended since high school graduation. Students with less than twelve semester hours of earned credit must also submit a high school transcript and ACT or SAT scores.
- 4) **Recommendations:** Two letters of recommendation are required: the first, a personal integrity reference written by a priest with sufficient personal knowledge of the applicant; the second, an academic reference written by a former teacher or administrator (not a guardian or relative).
- 5) **Medical Forms:** Applicants must provide information about medical history, including results of a physical examination, and immunizations.
- 6) **Rules and Decorum:** Applicants and parents of minor applicants must sign the 'Rules and Decorum' guidelines, indicating their agreement to abide by the expectations for Catholic behavior determined by St. Mary's College.
- 7) **Current photograph**
- 8) **Scheduled On-campus interview**

The completed application form and non-refundable \$75 application fee **must be postmarked on or before March 15, 2016**. Late applications (those received after the March 15) will be considered only on a space-available basis. All late applications **regardless of consideration** will require payment of an additional non-refundable \$25 late fee. Any additional documents and all fees required to complete previously submitted applications must be submitted before June 15, 2016. **This is not an alternate application deadline**: acceptance of these materials (late transcripts, letters of recommendation, etc.) applies **ONLY to previously submitted applications**. Any acceptance of students based on incomplete application files is conditional: files incomplete after June 15 are subject to closure.

TUITION, ROOM & BOARD, FEES

Tuition for the 2016-2017 academic year is \$7,000, or \$3,500 per semester. Room and board costs for the 2015-2016 academic year total \$5,500, or \$2,750 per semester. Students must also pay room deposit fees (\$150), copy fees (\$100), \$15 photo-ID and records fees, and lab fees (\$75), in addition to the non-refundable \$75 application fee (as well as a \$250 graduation fee, if applicable).

FINANCIAL AID

In order to remain completely free to carry out our educational mission, St. Mary's College does not participate in Federal or State education funding programs; as such, the College does not offer Financial Aid. In some cases, however, students may partially offset tuition by working at the Academy or College, depending on job availability and the skills of the student.

ON-CAMPUS INTERVIEW

In order to ensure both the success of prospective students and the cohesion of the College community, applicants must visit the College for an on-campus interview. Previous SSPX school sponsored visits will be considered. Please contact the College to confirm an itinerary.

ACADEMIC CALENDAR 2016-2017

FALL SEMESTER 2016

Tuesday, August 30	Dormitory opens at noon
Wednesday, August 31	Student orientation
Thurs-Fri, September 1-2	College days of recollection
Saturday, September 3	St. Pius X; College Opening Ceremonies
Monday, September 5	Labor Day (<i>no classes</i>)
Tuesday, September 6	Classes begin
Friday, September 16	Add-drop period ends
Monday, October 31	Christ the King break (<i>no classes</i>)
Tuesday, November 1	All Saints (<i>no classes</i>)
Tuesday, November 22	Thanksgiving break begins after classes
Monday, November 28	Thanksgiving Monday (<i>no classes</i>)
Thursday, December 8	Immaculate Conception (<i>no classes</i>)
Saturday, December 17	Final examinations
Monday, December 19	Final examinations
Tuesday, December 20	Final examinations
Wednesday, December 21	Final examinations
Thursday, December 22	Dormitory closes at 5:00 pm

SPRING SEMESTER 2017

Saturday, January 14	Dormitory opens at noon
Monday, January 16	Classes begin
Friday, January 27	Add-drop period ends
Wed-Sun, February 15-19	College retreat
Wednesday, March 1	Ash Wednesday
Friday, April 7	Easter break begins after classes
Saturday, April 8	Dormitory closes at noon
Thursday, April 13	Maundy Thursday
Friday, April 14	Good Friday
Saturday, April 15	Holy Saturday
Sunday, April 16	Easter Sunday
Saturday, April 22	Dormitory opens at noon
Monday, April 24	Classes resume
Friday, May 19	Final examinations
Saturday, May 20	Final examinations
Monday, May 22	Final examinations
Tuesday, May 23	Final examinations
Thursday, May 25	Ascension Thursday
Saturday, May 27	Commencement
Sunday, May 28	Dormitory closes at 5:00 pm

Instaurare omnia in Christo