



GEORGIAN COURT UNIVERSITY

THE MERCY UNIVERSITY OF NEW JERSEY

A CALL TO MERCY

Online Certificate Program

Mercy Spirituality

The Georgian Court University Online Certificate program in Mercy Spirituality combines formal academic coursework, spiritual reflection, and thoughtful dialogue with students and faculty from around the world.

What is to become of struggling societies? Governments? The earth itself? The questions of our time are immense. The humanitarian needs are great. If you're involved in a Mercy-sponsored or Mercy-inspired work, you've likely felt a call to serve. This program, which features five, 10-week courses and three online retreats, reflects conversations with people from the Mercy community worldwide.

Join GCU's Online Certificate in Mercy Spirituality program, a unique academic and spiritual journey toward clarity and depth as we embrace Mercy. Illuminate your journey, spark your intellect, and cultivate greater openness to people everywhere, and to the challenges they face.

The entirely online program takes about a year and a half to complete. Come to understand the underlying nature of the Mercy tradition and explore the personal—and the corporate—call of the Spirit in our present time.

Mercy spirituality

is about the graciousness of God—an abundant kindness that is much more than forgiveness.

Learn why.

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732.987.2770

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ENROLLING NOW

Exceptional faculty • Rigorous classes • A community of global learners

REQUIRED COURSES

(15 credits; each course is 3 credits for the academic certificate; no credits will be issued for the noncredit option)

- TH662 Ever Old, Ever New: Foundations of Christian Spirituality
- TH663 Journey of Mercy: History and Spirituality
- TH664 Banquet of Mercy: Comparative Spirituality
- TH665 Mercy Praxis: Spirituality and Ethics
- TH666 Further Explorations "Toward a Theology of Mercy"

The Mercy community is worldwide. This program will help you deepen your understanding of God's Mercy by

- illuminating the relevance of the Catholic Mercy tradition in the troubled modern world;
- delving into Mercy theology, so you understand the Mercy charism more meaningfully;
- teaching you comparative spirituality, because our institutions serve people of many faith and non-faith traditions;
- helping you make a deeper connection between your actions and the inspiration for those actions; and
- stirring your heart to know more fully who God is and how God operates in our lives.

Option 1: Graduate Academic Certificate

For academic credit, this program is discounted for those in Catholic organizations and Mercy-supported works.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

- Complete and submit an application for admission with a \$40 nonrefundable admissions fee.
- Submit a statement of your interest in taking this program of study.
- Submit official transcripts of all previous colleges/institutions you have attended either in sealed, signed envelopes or via electronic submission directly from the registrar's office.
- Submit two letters of recommendation.
- Applicants will be requested to participate in an interview with a program faculty member.

PROGRAM FACULTY LEADERS



Mary-Paula Cancienne, RSM, Ph.D.



Johann M. Vento, Ph.D.

Option 2: Noncredit Certificate

Complete five courses and receive a certificate of completion. Each noncredit course is priced at a flat rate of \$384,* which includes tuition and fees.

*tuition subject to change



Program at a Glance

- Fully online with a global reach that connects like-minded participants worldwide
- Ideal for people engaged in Mercy-sponsored works, affiliated ministries, and organizations or people interested in further exploring Mercy
- Inspired by the Mercy values of justice, respect, integrity, service, and compassion

A CALL TO SERVE

- Includes three online retreats
- Features a global perspective on the call of Mercy in our time
- Designed to be completed in 18 months



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FOR UNIVERSITY USE

App. Fee _____

Deposit _____

App. Number _____

GRADUATE APPLICATION

PERSONAL INFORMATION Please print in black ink.

GCU Alum ☐ Yes ☐ No

Name _____ Sex ☐ M ☐ F
Last First Former Name (optional)

Address _____
Street
City State Zip Country

Cell Number () Home Telephone ()

E-mail _____ Social Security No. _____

Place of Birth _____ Date of Birth _____
Month Day Year

Citizenship ☐ U.S. Citizen ☐ U.S. Permanent Resident ☐ Other _____
Specify Country

Type of Visa _____ ☐ Held ☐ Will Apply For

Employer _____ Work Telephone ()

Veteran Status (optional):

Are you a veteran, dependent of a veteran, or on active duty planning to use military or transferable benefits? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Optional

The following information is voluntary and will not affect the decision for admission. Georgian Court University does not discriminate on the basis of sex, disability, race, color, religion, or national or ethnic origin.

Are you of Hispanic/Latino ethnicity or descent? ☐ Yes

Select one or more races with which you identify yourself: ☐ American Indian or Alaskan Native ☐ Asian ☐ Black or African American
☐ Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander ☐ White

Religion _____

Marital Status ☐ Single ☐ Married ☐ Divorced

ACADEMIC BACKGROUND

List all colleges and universities attended, beginning with the most recent. Include additional sheets if necessary. Please write your name as it appears on your transcript. All official transcripts must be submitted.

Name & location of institution	Dates of attendance (From-To)	Academic program	Name of degree & date awarded

Please check box(es) that apply to you: ☐ GCU Reactivation (within one year or less) ☐ GCU Returning (after one year or more)

☐ International ☐ New Degree Student ☐ Audit (Noncredit) ☐ Non-matriculating (course) _____

Campus/Site: ☐ Lakewood ☐ GCU at Hazlet ☐ Online ☐ Other _____

The semester and year you wish to attend GCU: ☐ Fall ☐ Winter ☐ Spring ☐ Summer | Year _____

Indicate One Reason for Attending Georgian Court University:

☐ To apply for a Georgian Court University M.A. or M.S. degree

☐ To qualify for NJ instructional, administrative, or educational services certification

☐ To earn a Georgian Court University certificate in a field of my interest

☐ For self-enrichment or personal development

☐ For self-enrichment now, plan to matriculate later (Note that individuals may take up to 6 credits without matriculating.)

TEACHER CERTIFICATION *(If applicable, attach copy of current certification.)*Type of certificate currently held ☐ Standard ☐ (CEAS) Eligibility with Advanced Standing

State(s) issuing certification _____

Level/Subject matter area(s) of certification _____

Certificate of Eligibility or emergency certificates are not acceptable for programs that require NJ state certification.

*Indicate the program to which you are applying:***SCHOOL OF ARTS & SCIENCES**

- ☐ M.A., Applied Behavior Analysis
- ☐ M.A., Clinical Mental Health Counseling
- ☐ GCU Professional Counselor Certificate
- ☐ M.A., School Psychology
- ☐ GCU Certificate of Advanced Graduate Study in School Psychology
- ☐ M.A., Criminal Justice & Human Rights
- ☐ GCU Homeland Security Certificate
- ☐ M.A., Holistic Health Studies
- ☐ GCU Holistic Health Studies Certificate
- ☐ M.A., Theology
- ☐ GCU Theology Certificate
- ☐ GCU Mercy Spirituality Certificate
 - ☐ Credit
 - ☐ Noncredit (Audit)

SCHOOL OF BUSINESS & DIGITAL MEDIA

- ☐ GCU Business Essentials Certificate
- ☐ GCU Nonprofit Management Certificate
- ☐ M.B.A.
 - ☐ Healthcare Management Concentration
- ☐ Online M.B.A.
 - ☐ Healthcare Management Concentration

SCHOOL OF EDUCATION*For applicants who hold a bachelor's degree and want to become a teacher.*

- ☐ M.A., Teaching

Choose one:

- ☐ Early Childhood Education (P–3) w/ Teacher of Students with Disabilities Endorsement
- ☐ Elementary Education (K–6) w/ Teacher of Students with Disabilities Endorsement
- ☐ Specific Subject (K–12) w/ Teacher of Students with Disabilities Endorsement
- ☐ English as Second Language w/ Teacher of Students with Disabilities Endorsement

For applicants who are already certified teachers:

- ☐ Bilingual/Bicultural Education Endorsement
- ☐ Early Childhood Education (P–3) Endorsement
- ☐ English as a Second Language (ESL) Endorsement
- ☐ Teacher of Students with Disabilities Endorsement

Note: *Master's degree option available upon completion of most of these programs.***Graduate Certificates**

- ☐ GCU Autism Spectrum Disorders Certificate
- ☐ GCU Instructional Technology Certificate

Master's & Post-Master's Degree Offerings

- ☐ M.A. in Administration & Leadership (w/ School Supervisor, Principal, or School Administrator Endorsement)
- ☐ M.A. in Instructional Technology
- ☐ M.Ed., Autism Spectrum Disorders
- ☐ M.Ed., Early Childhood Education (P–3)
- ☐ M.Ed., English as a Second Language (ESL)
- ☐ M.Ed., Teacher of Students with Disabilities
- ☐ M.Ed., Learning Disabilities Teacher-Consultant
- ☐ M.Ed., Reading/Literacy Specialization
- ☐ M.Ed., School Counselor
- ☐ Director of School Counseling Services Post-Master's Endorsement
- ☐ Learning Disabilities Teacher-Consultant Post-Master's Endorsement
- ☐ School Business Administrator Post-Master's Endorsement
- ☐ School Supervisor Post-Master's Endorsement

Georgian Court University does not discriminate in its recruitment and admission of students, regardless of gender, race, creed, color, religion, age, national and ethnic origin, sexual orientation, disability, or veteran status.

ALL GRADUATE STUDENTS

I hereby make application to Georgian Court University. To the best of my knowledge, the information on this application is true and complete. I give permission to release academic information to Georgian Court University and understand that all records once submitted become the property of Georgian Court University.

Signature of Applicant _____ Date _____

Complete this form and send it with a \$40 nonrefundable application fee to the Office of Graduate & Professional Studies, Georgian Court University, 900 Lakewood Avenue, Lakewood, NJ 08701-2697.