

UNIVERSITY OF SANTO TOMAS, MANILA
FACULTY OF THEOLOGY

I. SECOND CYCLE: LICENTIATE IN THEOLOGY

A. *Admission Requirements*

1. To be admitted to the second cycle, a student must:
 - a. be a graduate of an Ecclesiastical Baccalaureate in Theology degree from any center of Theological Studies approved by ecclesiastical authorities; those who completed a two-year philosophy and at least a three-year theology program from a Seminary College may also be admitted, as long as they have not received failing marks in any major theological course, and are willing to complete the required number of bridging courses;
 - b. submit a written recommendation from the Major Superior or Local Ordinary. Lay applicants must be able to present a certificate of good moral character and a written recommendation letter from their Local Ordinary;
 - c. take and pass the entrance examinations, which include the Mental Ability Test, English-based tests, Philosophy, Latin, and Essay. Applicants without a background in Latin will be required to take Latin courses.
2. International applicants must have all the legal documents required for them to pursue their studies in the University, and they are also required to submit their IELTS/TOEFL or a similar English language proficiency program Certificate.
3. Applicants who have previously completed a degree from any of the Ecclesiastical Faculties of the University of Santo Tomas (Manila) may be dispensed from the entrance examination.