VIEWBOOK
A first-class research university in Ottawa

www.dominicanu.ca
Dominican University College, first established in Ottawa in 1900, is one of the oldest university colleges in Canada. With its specialization in philosophy and theology, Dominican University College is devoted to nourishing critical thinking, analysis, teamwork and overall, a unique educational experience. A faculty to student ratio of 1:7 allows the university to provide each student with undivided attention and well-rounded base of knowledge and skills needed for a demanding job market.

If you are a motivated individual striving to make a meaningful change in the world, look no further. We look forward to welcoming you to Dominican University College!
Inspiring Learning for All
Academic excellence and research are embedded in the learning and academic life on the DUC campus. That’s why we design our programs that meet the current market demands ensuring that our students are prepared and ready for a job in the private, public or government sectors.

Discovering the National Capital
Incoming students enjoy studying at one of the most beautiful heritage buildings featured in Ottawa’s Annual Open Doors event taking place in June of every year. Conveniently located in the downtown core area, the university is easily accessible by transit and offers access to Rideau Canal, Parliament, shopping, dining and strolling areas.

Bilingual and Welcoming
Programs at DUC are being offered in both official languages, English and French, allowing students to perfect the language skills and study in the language of their choice. A small university size encourages a positive academic climate in which students experience a supportive and caring environment, and an opportunity to broaden their cultural horizons.

One of a Kind
DUC’s learning environment with small class sizes will appeal to many. With a 1:7 faculty to a student ratio, students enjoy high levels of interaction with peers, faculty and support staff that fosters academic and professional success and excellence. Our professors are not just accomplished academics, they also use their years of experience with team projects to equip the students with the latest trends in analysis and collaboration needed for them to excel.

A Program for Each and Everyone
With the choice of one year certificate to Ph.D. degrees, every student will find a suitable program or a course for their needs. To learn more about Theology or Philosophy, students do not have to start a degree, they can just enroll in one of the interest courses being offered every fall, winter, and summer semesters.

Investing in Your Future
DUC recognizes the importance of tuition affordability and offers the lowest tuition fees in Ontario. Our approach is to provide every student with the opportunity to obtain higher education and launch a career. In addition to affordable tuition fees, we offer incoming students scholarships, bursaries and financial support.
Philosophy opens the mind to the most fundamental ideas of our world. People make decisions (and even build their societies) upon beliefs about what is right, what is just, what brings happiness. Whether it is in politics or ethics, history or religion, philosophy provides the tools to reach into the foundations of thinking, and develop new perspectives. Studying philosophy will help you learn to read critically and communicate with clarity. Philosophy students have a reputation for being insightful, methodical, and critical in their thinking. More fundamentally, philosophical training will help you develop your own worldview.

Bilingualism
Reflecting the Canadian ethos, each program is offered fully in French or English through courses and research seminars. As an official bilingual university, presentations, dissertations, and any evaluation may be submitted in either language. The DUC environment acts as a point of convergence between French and English philosophical reflection, allowing our students to discover the various academic schools of thought in these traditions.

Certificate in Philosophy
• C.I.P is a one-year certificate program.

Certificate in Philosophy (Applied Ethics)
• C.I.P (Eth.) is a one-year certificate program.

Bachelor of Arts with a concentration in Philosophy
• B.A. Ph. is a three-year program.

Bachelor of Arts in Philosophy with a minor in Ethics
• B.A.Ph. (Eth.) is a three-year program.

Bachelor of Philosophy
• B.Ph. is a four-year honors program with a comprehensive examination at the end.

Bachelor of Philosophy with a minor in Ethics
• B.Ph.(Eth.) is a four-year honors program. The option also requires a certain amount of credits in Ethics, which could include a field work placement.

Bachelor of Arts (Honours) with a double major in Philosophy & Theology
• B.A.sp.Ph.Th. is a four-year honors program.

Bachelor of Arts with a major in Philosophy and a minor in Theology
• B.A.sp.Ph. is a four-year honors program.
Theology

Theology contemplates how human beings can best achieve their potential, as individuals and as communities alike. Unlike any other discipline, theology values a student’s deep desire to ask questions about God. Cherishing this desire, the Dominican Order of Friar Preachers founded DUC as a unique place to discover the intellectual foundation of the Catholic faith.

At DUC, you will study fundamental texts of the Catholic faith (such as the Bible or the teachings of the Church Fathers) and discuss how to construct ideas directed towards truth, goodness and beauty. By studying theology, you will enter into a profound and living tradition that will cultivate your intellectual and spiritual life.

Canonical Status

Since 1976, the Faculty of Theology at Dominican University College is an accredited ecclesiastical faculty and is able to grant canonical degrees. You are invited to speak with an academic advisor to inquire about the conditions for obtaining such a degree. Normally, the following conditions apply:

- Training in Philosophy equivalent to one year.
- A sufficient knowledge of Latin.

Bilingualism

Reflecting the Canadian ethos, each program is offered fully in French or English through courses and research seminars. As an official bilingual university, presentations, dissertations, and any evaluation may be submitted in either language. The DUC environment acts as a point of convergence between French and English theological reflection, allowing our students to discover the various academic schools of thought in these traditions.

UNDEGRADUATE PROGRAMS (offered at both the Ottawa and the Montreal campuses)

Certificate in Theological Studies

- C.T.S. is a one-year program full-time, or two or more (for a maximum of five) years, part-time.

Bachelor of Arts with major in Theology and minor in Philosophy

- B.A.sp.Th. is a three-year program.

Bachelor of Arts (Honours) with a double major in Philosophy & in Theology

- B.A.sp.Ph.Th. is a four-year honours program.

GRADUATE PROGRAMS (offered at both the Ottawa and the Montreal campuses)

- 60 credits in Theology
- Master of Arts in Theology (M.A.Th) and Licenciate (S.T.L) of two years
- Master of Theology (M.Th) - Civil Degree of one year
- Doctorate in Theology (PhD / Canonical Degree)
Philosophy, Profiles

DUC has gathered a community of experienced scholars in the main areas of philosophy. Our experts will guide you in deepening skills for exploring the questions that matter to you. In addition, you will have access to specialized and multilingual resources for research in your fields of interest.

Iva Apostolova
Associate Professor
Vice-President of Academic Affairs
Specialization: analytic philosophy, Bertrand Russell, epistemology, philosophy of mind, feminist thought, ethics of care, Russian philosophy.
Iva.Apostolova@dominicanu.ca

Jean-François Méthot
Full Professor
Specialization: philosophy of language, epistemology, modern philosophy, applied ethics.
JF.Methot@dominicanu.ca

Mark Nyvlt
Full professor
Dean of the Faculty of Philosophy
Specialization: ancient Greek metaphysics, Aristotle, Neoplatonism, Arabic philosophy.
Mark.Nyvit@dominicanu.ca

Maxime Allard, O.P.
Full Professor
Specialization: Thomas Aquinas, 17th century philosophy (Descartes, Malebranche and Spinoza), philosophy of religion, hermeneutics, rhetorical, political philosophy.
Maxime.Allard@dominicanu.ca

Graeme Hunter
Research Professor
Specialization: history of philosophy, early modern philosophy (Pascal, Descartes, Spinoza, Leibniz), metaphysics, philosophical logic.
Graeme.Hunter@dominicanu.ca

Faustin Musambi
Research Professor
Specialization: moral philosophy, philosophical anthropology, political philosophy.
Faustin.Musambi@dominicanu.ca

Pierre Métivier, O.P.
Professor Emeritus
Specialization: Greek humanism, moral philosophy, philosophy of values, Thomas Aquinas.
pajbm@yahoo.fr

Rodney Parker
Assistant Professor
Specialization: phenomenology, Edmund Husserl, existentialism, 19th century European philosophy.
Rodney.Parker@dominicanu.ca

Theology, Profiles

DUC has gathered a community of experienced scholars in the main areas of theology, namely the Scriptures, and ethics and anthropology.

Bruno Demers, O.P.
Professor
Dean of the Faculty of Theology
Specialization: theological hermeneutics, revelation-faith, christology-soteriology, history of methods in theology, mission-evangelization, interreligious dialogue, relationships between Christianity and modernity.
Bruno.Demers@ipastorale.ca

Faustin Musambi
Research Professor
Specialization: New Testament Exegesis, Semiotic Analysis, Bible and Sexuality, Epistle to the Romans & Epistle to the Colossians.
Faustin.Musambi@dominicanu.ca

Jean Doutre, O.P.
Professor
Jean.Doutre@dominicanu.ca

Pierre Métivier, O.P.
Professor Emeritus
Specialization: Greek humanism, moral philosophy, philosophy of values, Thomas Aquinas.
pajbm@yahoo.fr

Hervé Tremblay, O.P.
Vice-Dean and Director of IDEST
Herve.Tremblay@dominicanu.ca

Michel Gourgues, O.P.
Professor
Michel.Gourgues@dominicanu.ca

Maxime Allard, O.P.
Full Professor
Specialization: Thomas Aquinas, 17th century philosophy (Descartes, Malebranche and Spinoza), philosophy of religion, hermeneutics, rhetoric, political philosophy.
Maxime.Allard@dominicanu.ca

Emmanuel Durand, O.P.
Adjunct Professor
Emmanuel.Durand@dominicanu.ca
DUC Student Association
At Dominican University College the student life is diverse thanks to the student association, AECDO! Throughout the year, AECDO organizes annual BBQ parties, excursions to museums, hikes in Gatineau Park, student retreats at the Chalet des Dominicans and much more. AECDO is a place to meet people and make friends!

Library
Nestled in a quiet part of the city, DUC library offers access to a collection of philosophy and theology books primarily in English and French with important holdings in Hebrew, Greek and Latin. The collection includes over 140,000 volumes and over 400 periodicals.

Academic Support Services
DUC is committed to supporting students in their academic journey throughout the university years and beyond. DUC offers students tools and tutorials, workshops, online learning resources and one-on-one peer mentoring support to help each student reach their academic objectives and professional goals.

Housing
There are several options for student accommodations while studying at Dominican University College. Students can choose to live on campus at the Dominican Priory or off-campus in rental apartments or houses in the area.

Canada Homestay Network
DUC is partnered with the Canada Homestay Network. The Canada Homestay Network is a non-profit organization that pairs international students with families in the Ottawa community. This partnership offers a supportive, affordable, and safe housing experience. For more information, please contact welcome@dominicanu.ca or visit the Canada Homestay Network webpage.

Admission Process
DUC is proud of its diverse student community. We enjoy meeting and discussing educational options with students from a variety of educational, cultural and religious backgrounds. Our application process, like our education, is personalized. We consider the entire dossier of our applicants - not just their grades.

Prior Education
To qualify for undergraduate programs, candidates must hold a secondary school diploma, i.e., a Diploma of Collegial Studies (DCS/CEGEP), an Ontario Secondary School Diploma (OSSD), a diploma in a relevant field, or their equivalent.

Credit Transfer
Students who have completed a 2-year program from CEGEP may qualify to have one academic year recognized toward their program of choice. Students who have already started a program in a different institution may have a maximum of 30 credits (1 year) transferred toward their program of choice at DUC. As each case is different, applicants will be assessed individually. For more information on credit transfer, please contact the Assistant Registrar at registraire@dominicanu.ca

Language Requirements
Candidates whose first language is neither English nor French must show a minimum grade of 70% in their language courses on their high school or post-secondary transcripts, or equivalent documents. An IELTS or equivalent language test can be included with the admission request.

Mature Students
To be considered a mature student, the candidate:
• Must be a minimum required age of 25 years.
• Must demonstrate an appropriate knowledge base.
• Must have acquired relevant work experience (résumé or CV required).

Meeting With The Faculty Dean
All candidates’ applications will be reviewed by the Admissions Committee. A meeting with the Dean of the relevant Faculty may be required to determine final admission status.

Outstanding student experience and overall happiness is what matters to us! Studying at DUC is more than getting a degree, it is an experience that will form memories and friendships to last a lifetime.

To help students in getting acquainted with the academic and student life on campus, a couple of services are being provided to both incoming and current students.
DUC recognizes the importance of tuition affordability and offers the lowest tuition fees in Ontario. Our approach is to provide every student with the opportunity to obtain higher education and launch a career. Full-time undergraduate students pay only $4,364 in tuition fees, while graduate students cover the tuition of $7,032 per year.

The DUC Foundation and its donors, religious communities, organizations and individuals offer support to students in financial need. To apply for bursaries and grants, students will need to plan to enroll full-time in an undergraduate or graduate program in the Faculties of Philosophy or Theology. The amount varies from $300 to $2,000 per year.

The new Bursaries for Postsecondary Studies in French as a Second Language (FSL) encourage English-speaking Canadians enrolled in the first year of a college or university program to perfect their bilingualism while studying in a field of interest. Students qualify for a scholarship of $3,000 for the first year of a university program in French in Canada.

Starting from this year, Dominican University College offers merit-based scholarships to incoming Master’s and PhD students in Philosophy who demonstrate exceptional accomplishment, intellectual promise and interest in working on the philosophical and theological writings of Thomas Aquinas (four scholarships - $7,500 each).

The current students are eligible to apply for teaching and research assistant positions in Philosophy or Theology. The amount available for these positions is fixed at $1,800 per semester.

Find out whether you are eligible for provincial financial aid programs:
- Ontario Student Assistance Program (OSAP)
- Quebec Loans and Bursaries Program (AFE)

Graduate Students:
- Ontario Graduate Scholarships (OGS) program
- Social Sciences and Humanities Council (SSHRC)

Studying at DUC allows students to take courses from Carleton University and University of Ottawa at no extra charge.
We are here for you. Drop by and say “Hi”!

Interested in learning more about DUC? Join the conversation!

www.dominicanu.ca
welcome@dominicanu.ca
613-233-5696
96 Empress Ave., Ottawa

Call, email, or just drop by!

“I found that Theology at DUC was a profoundly open environment where thought provoking, and possibly prodding, conversations and topics brought up by the professors helped me organize my thoughts and better my world view. I would not change the experience that I have had throughout these last three years, and I would recommend our smaller university to those who learn better from having close relationships with their peers and professors.”

Andrew Mills, Bachelor of Theology (B.Th)

“I chose theology because I wanted to understand my faith more profoundly. Dominican was a great choice for that. The professors challenge you and they take seriously the challenges modern life presents for believers. Highlights for me have been the Old Testament courses, the courses on moral theology and Christian Art. These are the foundation of our culture and identity and yet we rarely get the chance to confront them in depth. At Dominican, you can. And you can in company with a faculty and fellow students you get to know well and whom you can talk to.”

Michel Vachon, Theology MA student