

Youth Theological Studies Pinkard Scholars Program

Congratulations, you have been **nominated to apply** for the fall ***Pinkard Scholars Program*** for High School Juniors as of this **fall 2025** at St. Mary's Seminary & University! This exciting opportunity consists of:

- A ten-week theology course ***Religious Studies 235: Foundations for Dialogue: Theology and Culture*** in the fall of 2025 one Wednesday evening per week from 6:15 – 8:45 p.m.
- A ***Celebration of Excellence and Promise*** at which two college credits will be conferred if all requirements are met.

Tuition for each student is **\$350.00, which includes all texts**. The course is partially underwritten by the Pinkard Endowment and is open to students of all faiths. Please do not send payment with your application form. Once you have been accepted into the program, payment can be submitted.

Two full scholarships underwritten by the Mark D. Pacione Foundation. All scholarships are based on need. If you are accepted into the Pinkard Scholars program and would like to apply for a scholarship and are in need of scholarship funds, please request a *Scholarship Application and Award Form* once you have received your acceptance letter. You will be instructed to also include a description of why you are requesting the scholarship.

Imagine the possibilities that await you as a high school junior if you are accepted into this program. Our alumni have been accepted into the top colleges and universities in the nation and have gone on to study at many of these same institutions at the graduate level.

Please go to St. Mary's website: www.stmarys.edu and click on **Center for Continuing Formation tab at the top**. **Next, scroll down to Youth Theological Studies** and click on **LEARN MORE**. **Review the Course description, the Information for Nominated Students and then complete the designated forms and documents**. You can submit your application online and instruct the person who is writing your recommendation to do the same. You can email your required essays and documentation and have your school forward your transcripts to Colette Zyambo at czyambo@stmarys.edu. All required documentation noted on the application form checklist must be received by **May 14, 2025**. **If you prefer you may mail your full application to:**

**Mrs. Pat LeNoir
Director, Youth Theological Studies
St. Mary's Seminary & University
5400 Roland Avenue
Baltimore, Maryland 21210**

You will be notified of your status by **May 28, 2025**. If you or your parents/legal guardians have any questions, please call Mrs. Colette Zyambo, the Pinkard Scholars' administrative assistant at **410-864-4102** or email at czyambo@stmarys.edu. She'd be most happy to speak with you about this exciting program or assist you in contacting Mrs. LeNoir.