Holy Apostles College & Seminary

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OFFICE OF ADMISSIONS

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Dear Angelicum Academy AA-Track Student,

Congratulations! It is with great pleasure that I welcome you to begin your application process to Holy Apostles College & Seminary. As an eligible student enrolled in the Angelicum Academy AA-Track, your next step is to formally apply for admission to Holy Apostles. This packet will provide you with the necessary information.

Year after year, the prestigious Newman Guide has recommended Holy Apostles for our academic excellence and steadfast fidelity to the magisterial teachings of the Catholic Church. We are also fully accredited and the leader in Catholic online learning. Our students enjoy the unsurpassed flexibility to study on their own time and from anywhere in the world through asynchronous engagement.

You are already on the path to realizing your educational aspirations! Your enrollment in the Angelicum Academy AA-Track means that you have already begun your college studies. This unique partnership with Holy Apostles allows you to begin earning transfer credits towards your degree starting with your very first Great Books courses at the Angelicum Academy. Upon proof of high school graduation, these courses transfer seamlessly into your degree program at Holy Apostles.

While the AA-Track is designed for you to earn your Associate of Arts degree at Holy Apostles, I encourage you to consider pursuing your Bachelor of Arts degree at Holy Apostles as well. Our six majors equip students to relentlessly pursue the truth and formulate a coherent worldview based on both faith and reason. In addition, the study and discipline of the liberal arts develops and refines key competencies associated with career readiness, such as critical thinking and problem solving, clear communication, collaboration, and a strong work ethic. By earning your Bachelor of Arts degree at Holy Apostles, you receive the extraordinary advantage of saving time and money – enabling you to begin living out your calling immediately.

Please review this packet for admissions information to Holy Apostles. Again, congratulations on this next big step in your educational journey!

Sincerely in Christ,

Christina LaRosa

Ms. Christina LaRosa
Director of Admissions
Angelicum Academy Liaison

ADMISSIONS REQUIREMENTS FOR HOLY APOSTLES

The following materials are needed to formally apply to Holy Apostles.

- Complete and Submit the Online *Admissions Application for Angelicum Students*
  The *Admissions Application for Angelicum Students* may be found on the Holy Apostles website. All required fields must be completed and submitted. You will find the application link at the bottom of the first FAQ box here. Please note that the application automatically saves answers as they are filled in. You may begin your application, save it, and resume it at a later time with the email link it sends you.

- Angelicum Recommendation & Transcript
  Applicants must request the Angelicum Academy to provide necessary information to Holy Apostles, including a letter of recommendation and your Official Angelicum Transcript. This is requested through your application.

- Personal Statement
  Applicants must provide a written statement between 300 and 500 words. It should consist of a brief autobiography as well as your reasons for applying to Holy Apostles.

- One Letter of Recommendation
  Applicants must request one letter of recommendation either from a priest, religious, academic reference, mentor, volunteer supervisor, etc. You may request this letter of recommendation through your online application by entering the individual's email address and sending a request. Once your letter of recommendation has been received by Holy Apostles, it will automatically be attached to your application.

- Signed and Notarized FERPA Release Form
  At the post-secondary level, parents have no inherent rights to inspect a student's education records. Since courses taken at Holy Apostles are college classes, a Family Education Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) Release Form must be downloaded from the application and completed. A scan or photo of the signed and notarized FERPA Form must be uploaded to the application.

- High School Transcript
  Applicants must request the most recent copy of their official high school transcript to be sent to Holy Apostles. If you are homeschooled, your official transcript must be signed and may uploaded to your application. Alternatively, you may provide your course/grade information to the Angelicum Academy and they will consolidate your high school-level studies with their Official Angelicum Academy Transcript (see above).

- Standardized Testing Scores
  If you have taken a standardized test, such as the PSAT, SAT, ACT, or CLT test, applicants should request a copy of the results to be sent to Holy Apostles.

Please submit all above listed requirements by
Friday, July 21, to apply for the Fall 2023 semester.
Friday, December 1, to apply for the Spring 2024 semester.
Friday, April 5, to apply for the Summer 2024 semester.

DEGREE PROGRAMS AT HOLY APOSTLES

The following information explains your options to earn your degree at Holy Apostles.

Option 1 – Bachelor of Arts Degree

The Bachelor of Arts program at Holy Apostles is a 120-credit hour undergraduate degree that provides a philosophically-based Catholic honors liberal arts curriculum.

While enrolled at the Angelicum Academy in the AA-Track, you can earn up to 60 ACE-recommended credits by taking all Great Books and Fr. Fessio Theology courses. In addition, you can earn 15 credits from Holy Apostles as part of your AA-Track. At the completion of your AA-Track, you will have up to 75 credits applicable towards your Bachelor of Arts degree. This unique partnership allows you to get ahead by starting college with so many credits!

With only 45 credits (15 classes) remaining to then complete your Bachelor of Arts degree, you will save time and money at Holy Apostles. Within a year after you complete the AA-Track, you can graduate with your Bachelor of Arts degree! This is accomplished by enrolling full-time with 15 credits (5 classes) for three consecutive semesters (Summer, Fall, Spring). Studying part-time will still allow you to graduate sooner than your peers. Six majors (and double-majors) are available: Theology, Philosophy, Liberal Arts, English in the Humanities, History in the Social Sciences, and Sacred Art.

The National Center for Education Statistics estimates that in the 2018-2019 school year the average total tuition, fees, room and board rates for full-time undergraduates at a private institution was $44,662 (adjusted for inflation). After four years in college, this works out to over $175,000. Currently, tuition at Holy Apostles is $395 per credit, or $1,185 per 3-credit class. With up to 75 credits applicable towards your Bachelor of Arts degree, the estimated tuition to complete your remaining 45 credits for your Bachelor of Arts degree at Holy Apostles is just $17,800.

Truly, you can feasibly earn your degree at Holy Apostles – a faithful, Catholic college – in as little as one year and for substantially less than at other private colleges and universities.

Option 2 – Associate of Arts Degree

The Associate of Arts program at Holy Apostles is a 60-credit hour undergraduate degree that provides a philosophically-based Catholic honors liberal arts curriculum.

While enrolled at the Angelicum Academy in the AA-Track, you have the opportunity to earn up to 60 ACE-recommended credits by taking all Great Books and Fr. Fessio Theology courses. Holy Apostles can accept up to 45 of these credits into the Associate of Arts degree program. In addition, while enrolled in the AA-Track, you can earn 15 credits from Holy Apostles. At the completion of your AA-Track and upon proof of high school graduation, you will be eligible to graduate from Holy Apostles with your Associate of Arts degree at the September graduation.

Two majors are offered for the Associate of Arts degree: Liberal Arts and Theology. Students in the Liberal Arts major have the option to only take the Great Books courses. Students in the Theology major must take all of the Great Books and Fr. Fessio's Theology courses.

This option is ideal if you plan to transfer to another college for your Undergraduate degree in a major that Holy Apostles does not offer. Please note that each institution has its own eligibility policies for transferring credits in from another institution.

If you are currently unsure of your plans after the AA-Track,
it is recommended that you follow the Liberal Arts with Fr. Fessio's Theology Courses for the greatest flexibility.

UNDERGRADUATE DEGREE PLANS AT HOLY APOSTLES

The following information shows your degree plan for your major at Holy Apostles.

While you are enrolled in the AA-Track at the Angelicum Academy, these are the classes you will take at Holy Apostles. If you intend on earning your Bachelor of Arts degree at Holy Apostles after you complete the AA-Track, you will follow the *Liberal Arts with Fr. Fessio's Theology Courses* degree plan.

AA Liberal Arts *without Fr. Fessio's Theology Courses*	**AA Liberal Arts** *with Fr. Fessio's Theology Courses*	**AA Theology** *with Fr. Fessio's Theology Courses*
SCM 101 Mathematics among the Liberal Arts (FA/SU)	SCM 101 Mathematics among the Liberal Arts (FA/SU)	*Select one of the following courses:* PHS 121 Logic (SP/FA) PHS 450 Ethics (SU)
Select one of the following courses: SCM 201 Physics (SP) SCM 220 Chemistry (SU) SCM 301 Anatomy & Physiology I (FA)	*Select one of the following courses:* SCM 201 Physics (SP) SCM 220 Chemistry (SU) SCM 301 Anatomy & Physiology I (FA)	*Select one of the following courses:* SCM 101 Mathematics among the Liberal Arts (FA/SU) SCM 201 Physics (SP) SCM 220 Chemistry (SU) SCM 301 Anatomy & Physiology I (FA)
Select one of the following courses: DTH 101 Fundamental Theology (FA) PHS 121 Logic (SP/FA)	*Select one of the following courses:* DTH 101 Fundamental Theology (FA) PHS 121 Logic (SP/FA)	*Select one of the following courses:* SAS 300 Wisdom Literature (SP) MTH 425 Theology of the Body (FA/SP/SU)
PAS 161 Catechism I (FA/SP/SU)	ENG 115 Writing & Composition (FA)	DTH 101 Fundamental Theology (FA)
PAS 162 Catechism II (FA/SP/SU)	SOC 275 Economics (SP)	MTH 300 Moral Theology (SP/SU)

Offered Fall = FA Offered Spring = SP Offered Summer = SU

If you intend on earning your Bachelor of Arts degree at Holy Apostles, the following majors and double-majors are available. Please note that if your double-major includes Liberal Arts or Sacred Art, you may need to earn more than 120 credits to graduate.

- Theology
- Philosophy
- Liberal Arts
- English in the Humanities
- History in the Social Sciences
- Sacred Art

WHY SHOULD I EARN A DEGREE IN THE LIBERAL ARTS?

The strong Catholic *liberal arts* curriculum at Holy Apostles is grounded in truth and emphasizes interdisciplinary studies in Theology, Philosophy, English, Humanities, History, Social Sciences, Language, Mathematics and Hard Sciences.

A degree in the liberal arts – no matter your major – will prepare you for life. Life, and man's consciousness of it, are uniquely human. A degree at Holy Apostles will equip you to face life with a broad range of skills and most importantly, a love of learning.

Recently, much study has been done to assess the impact of the liberal arts on society. From education to economics, from ministry to business, from healthcare to technology, the liberal arts provide marketable skills. The National Association of Colleges and Employers established competencies associated with career readiness including critical thinking and problem solving, clear communication, collaboration, and work ethic – all of which are developed and refined by the study of the liberal arts.

Employers are ready to hire individuals who possess these skills and approach life with a human-perspective and love of learning. A liberal arts degree at Holy Apostles will prepare you spiritually and intellectually to answer where God leads you.