

## GRADUATE SCHOOL MISSION STATEMENT

We are a Catholic institution dedicated to advancing the frontiers of knowledge in the theoretical and applied fields through quality graduate education that is comprehensive and responsive to the needs of society. We are committed to the formation of scholars and high level professionals who are ethical, competent, compassionate and committed to the service of the Church, the Nation and the Global Community.

## GRADUATE SCHOOL VISION STATEMENT

We envision a Graduate School that stands for excellence and innovation and that will be globally identified for the distinction of its programs and quality of its research.

## GRADUATE SCHOOL GOALS

To realize this mission-vision, the Graduate School commits itself within the next five (5) years:

- To develop the intellect and creativity through excellence in instruction, research, and extension work.
- To form scholars and high level professionals in the arts and humanities, the natural and allied health sciences, the social and management sciences who are ethical and who demonstrate competencies functional in both the local and global workplace.
- To hone the professional and social skills, and critical capabilities of students enabling them to become responsible leaders in their careers and community.

- To provide students opportunities to serve the larger community through extension work and community service.
- To produce quality research in the various fields of knowledge that is internationally recognized.
- To recruit Faculty who are acknowledged experts in the field and to complement the teaching staff by inviting international scholars in the various disciplines.
- To build partnerships and linkages between the Graduate School and academic institutions, industry and government entities at the local and international level.
- To enhance the image and visibility of the Graduate School and its work in both the local and global community.

## APPLICATION PROCEDURES

- A. Application for admission to the UST Graduate School is until October 15 for October enrollees, April 5 for Summer enrollees and May 25 for June enrollees.
- B. Application forms for Admission are available at the UST Graduate School, UST Admissions Office & at the UST Graduate School Web Site – <http://www.ust.edu.ph>

## REQUIREMENTS:

Certified true copy of Transcript of Records, one (1) colored passport size, recent photo (if any) document(s) attesting to passing a Bar/Board Exam, or being a scholar of any agency.

Two (2) Referral Forms: One(1) for the current (immediate) superior (or Dean, in the case of a school); and the other, for the professor in one specialization (major) subject.

## For Foreigners:

### **All of the above and;**

TOEFL English Proficiency and Student Visa Requirements.

## ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

1. Bachelor's Degree in History or related courses with a general average of at least 2.0/85% or B.
2. Complete accomplished application and referral forms.

## PHILOSOPHY & OBJECTIVES

The Arts & Humanities Cluster of disciplines of the UST Graduate School envisions itself in the next five (5) years to be a center of excellence in all of its graduate programs, focusing on the areas of teaching, research and creative collaborations and as an innovator in the area of community-extension services. It also envisions itself as the premier Graduate School for the Arts & the Humanities in the country and in the Asia-Pacific Region.

The Arts & Humanities Cluster intends to develop globally competitive scholars and ethical world class professionals who can contribute to the development and progress of the Filipino nation.

## CURRICULUM

## **MASTER OF ARTS MAJOR IN ORIENTAL RELIGIONS & CULTURES**

### PRE-REQUISITE SUBJECTS: 6 UNITS

GS 500 - St. Thomas on Critical Thinking  
GS 501 - Research Methodology

### CORE SUBJECTS: 9 UNITS

ORC 601 - Religion and Religions  
ORC 602 - Culture  
ORC 603 - Oriental Geography and History

### MAJOR SUBJECTS: 15 UNITS

ORC 701 - Philosophies of the East  
ORC 703 - Indian Religions and Culture  
ORC 702 - Chinese Religions and Culture  
ORC 704 - Native Religions and Culture of the Philippines  
ORC 705 - Religions and Culture of Japan  
ORC 706 - Religions of the Pacific Rim  
ORC 707 - Islamic Philosophy, Religion and Culture  
ORC 708 - Oriental Literature  
ORC 709 - Rizal  
ORC 710 - Oriental Aesthetics  
ORC 711 - Special Topics

### COGNATE SUBJECTS: 3 UNITS

Any related course that has substantial bearing on Thesis.

### OTHER REQUIREMENTS

Written Comprehensive Examinations (WCE)  
TW I - 3 units (Thesis Proposal)  
TW II - 3 units (Research Colloquium)  
TW III - 3 units (Thesis Defense)

**Total = 42 Units**

**UST GRADUATE SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION OFFICIALS  
AND FACULTY SET-UP**

LILIAN J. SISON, Ph.D.  
*Dean*

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*Regent*

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*Supervising Scientist, UST Botanical Garden*

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*Consultant for History, Philosophy & Oriental Religions and Cultures*

#### **PROFESSORIAL STAFF**

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#### **SUMMARY OF PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS**

Requirements	Units
Required	6
Core Subjects	9
Major Subjects	15
Cognates	3
Written Comprehensive Exam	--
Thesis Writing I	3
Thesis Writing II	3
Thesis Writing III	3
<b>TOTAL Units</b>	<b>42</b>

#### **SCHOOL CALENDAR**

The University of Santo Tomas follows an Academic Year Calendar of two (2) semesters and a summer term.

Summer Term: April-May

For further information, please call,  
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UST Graduate School  
España, Manila, Philippines 1008

**University of Santo Tomas**

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## **GRADUATE PROGRAM**

AY 2004 – AY 2006

## **ORIENTAL RELIGIONS AND CULTURES**

Master of Arts major in Oriental  
Religions & Cultures

España, Manila