Non-Degree Student Application Information

Applicant must meet the following criteria to be eligible for non-degree status:

- Applicant seeks to take 1-2 courses per semester for course credit
- No degree sought
- Not eligible to receive financial aid

Application requirements (please read carefully!):

1. Complete online application personal information pages.
   - Go to apply.vanderbilt.edu.
   - Select “non-degree” from the list of available Divinity programs.
   - Enter contact information and other relevant biographic/demographic data fields.

2. Notify Admissions Office when the application has been *initiated*.
   - Admissions Office will manually waive all non-required components of application.

3. Supply copies of all transcripts.

4. In lieu of “Statement of Purpose” prompts, provide a statement of what the person intends to study.

5. Provide one letter of reference from an ecclesiastical superior if the coursework is in satisfaction of a church requirement.

6. Submit application online. If you encounter difficulty, please contact Admissions at 615.343.3963.

Decision Timeline
Admissions decisions for non-degree students are made on a rolling basis. Typically, applicants hear a decision within 2-3 weeks of their application submission.