

*Faculty of History and
Cultural Heritage of the Church*

The Faculty of History and Cultural Heritage of the Church was established in 2005 to investigate and survey the Church's historical process and to study its historic-artistic heritage to better appreciate and preserve it.

The Faculty of History and Cultural Heritage of the Church is the continuator of the Faculty of Ecclesiastical History, founded in 1932, and of the Studies in Cultural Heritage of the Church, started in 1991. The Faculty is divided into two departments - Department of History of the Church and Department of Cultural Heritage of the Church. Its mission is to train future professors in History of the Church for Seminaries and Universities, and personnel in charge of ecclesiastical and civil cultural Institutions.

The program of studies offers students coming from different parts of the world a comprehensive knowledge of historical disciplines and of those relating to cultural heritage of the Church, with a view to preparing them to face institutional and professional tasks and challenges.

The Faculty, located in the Diocese of the Successor of Peter, affords students an opportunity to learn and choose courses in the heart of *Orbis Christianus*, from where they can draw on priceless historical, artistic and cultural heritage.

Cover image:

*Pope Gregory XIII visiting the Roman College under construction.
Anonymous XVII century*



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The program of studies offered by the **Faculty of History and Cultural Heritage of the Church** is divided into three formative cycles conferring the following qualifications: **Bachelor in History and Cultural Heritage of the Church, Licentiate in History of the Church, Licentiate in Cultural Heritage of the Church, Doctorate in History of the Church, Doctorate in Cultural Heritage of the Church.**

Academic degrees

First Cycle – Bachelor Degree

Duration: three years (180 ECTS)

The First Cycle leads to the Bachelor Degree in History and Cultural Heritage of the Church and is awarded to students who demonstrate knowledge of historical development of the Church and its main artistic and cultural contributions. The program of studies consists of compulsory and optional courses, seminars and a final term paper.

Admission - In addition to academic qualifications granting access to a civil University, the candidate is expected to know Italian language and to understand texts written in Latin; reading knowledge is expected at least of one of the following languages: French, English, German, Spanish, Portuguese.

The Faculty offers a one-year personalized program relating to the First Cycle, for students who have already obtained a university degree equal or equivalent to Bachelor Degree, but whose degree is not from this Faculty and seek admission to the Second Cycle.

Second Cycle – Licentiate

Duration: two years (120 ECTS)

The Second Cycle leads to Licentiate Degree in History of the Church or in Cultural Heritage of the Church. The Program of studies consists of common prescribed courses, fundamental prescribed courses, optional courses, Seminars and a Dissertation.

Licentiate in History of the Church - The degree is conferred on students who have acquired theoretical, methodological and linguistic skills in historical studies and have demonstrated knowledge in History of the Church.

Licentiate in Cultural Heritage of the Church - The degree is conferred on students who have demonstrated historical and methodological skills in the field of Cultural Heritage of the Church and have acquired ability to render it a theological perspective that enhances its evangelical meaning.

Admission - The candidate must have Bachelor Degree in History and Cultural Heritage of the Church from this Faculty, or equivalent canonical degree from an Ecclesiastical Faculty, or equivalent Master's Degree. In some cases, students will have to do some courses from the First Cycle. It is also expected a good knowledge of Italian language and ability to read two of the following languages: French, English, German, Spanish and Portuguese.

Third Cycle – Doctorate

Duration: three years

The first year of the Doctorate program in History of the Church or in Cultural Heritage of the Church consists of a preliminary preparation in view of research and writing a scientific dissertation.

Doctorate in History of the Church - The Doctorate is awarded to candidates who defend successfully an original scientific doctoral dissertation in a specific area of the History of the Church, and demonstrate methodological skills to conduct historical research projects.

Doctorate in Cultural Heritage of the Church - The Doctorate is conferred on students who, having defended an original scientific doctoral dissertation proved to have a systematic understanding in a specific area of Cultural Heritage of the Church and are able to enhance cultural projects and values.

Admission - Licentiate Degree in History of the Church or in Cultural Heritage of the Church from this Faculty, or equivalent degree from another Ecclesiastical Faculty. Knowledge of Italian language and ability to read at least three of the following languages: French, English, German, Spanish and Portuguese.