## **Table 16.F. Trinity Lutheran Seminary Statement of Educational Effectiveness**

## Trinity Lutheran Seminary at Capital University Statement of Educational Effectiveness

Trinity Lutheran Seminary at Capital University, a seminary of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, offers the following degrees as part of its mission of *forming leaders for Christ's church at work in the world*:

- Master of Divinity (M.Div.)
- Master of Theological Studies (MTS)
- Master of Sacred Theology (STM)

Program outcomes for the M.Div. are that graduates will:

- Use Appropriately the Resources of Scripture and the Church's Historical and Theological Tradition
- Proclaim and Communicate Effectively the Gospel
- Interpret and Engage with Diverse Contexts of Mission and Ministry
- Exercise Pastoral Leadership in Ministry Contexts and the Public Realm
- Demonstrate Practices of a Healthy Faith Leader

The M.Div. curriculum is structured to ensure that each of these program outcomes is introduced effectively and that students have multiple opportunities throughout their coursework and contextual education experiences to reinforce these skills in order to demonstrate mastery by the time they graduate.

Comprehensive assessment of MTS and STM graduates is done through the evaluation of capstone writing projects. two extended essays (MTS) or a thesis (STM). MTS graduates, through two extended essays, demonstrate the ability to integrate core themes and concepts from their area of concentration and apply their learning to a significant question or issue. STM graduates, through a thesis, demonstrate the ability to do advanced scholarly work in their area of academic interest.

As of December 1 2022, 100% of Trinity graduates from the Class of 2022 were in vocational placements or pursuing further study.