

What you can do with a degree in

# Christian Theology

 CENTER FOR CAREER & CALLING

The following is a sample of occupational titles and work settings related to Christian Theology.

Keep in mind that career options are not dictated solely by choice of major.

Just as there are many careers open to graduates of any major, there are many paths to careers that do not require a specific degree. Use this information as a beginning guide to exploring options.

## Sample Job Titles:

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- Advocacy
- Case Manager
- Children's Director
- Christian Camping Director
- Church Administrator
- Community Organizer
- Crisis Management
- Curriculum Designer
- Director of Christian Education
- Director of Recruiting
- Elementary Teacher
- Events Coordinator
- Faith-Based Diplomacy
- Fundraising/Development Officer
- Grant Writing
- Human Resources
- Librarian
- Lobbyist
- Missionary
- Music Ministry
- Outreach Ministry
- Parachurch Staff
- Program Administrator
- Public Speaker
- Public Relations Specialist
- Radio, Film, Television Producer
- Researcher
- Spiritual Director
- Student Affairs Professional
- Urban Ministry
- Volunteer Coordinator
- Youth Director/ Youth Minister
- **Further Education**
- College or Seminary Professor
- Chaplaincy: Business, Industrial, Hospital, College, Correctional, Military
- Counselor/Psychologist
- Director of Campus Ministries
- Journalist
- Editor/Commentator
- Minister of Education
- Pastor
- Social Worker
- Writer/Author

## Possible Professional Settings:

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- Business/Religious Organizations
- Christian Camps
- Churches
- Colleges & Universities
- Correctional Institutions
- Federal Government Agencies
- Hospices
- Hospitals, Nursing Homes
- Humanitarian Organizations
- International Aid and Relief Organizations
- Libraries
- Military
- Mission Boards
- Museums, Galleries
- Non-Governmental Organizations
- Parachurch Organizations
- Peacekeeping Organizations
- Public Relations Organizations
- Public service- Foreign Affairs
- Publishing Industry
- Non-Profit Service Organizations
- Residential Treatment Facilities
- Retreat Centers
- Shelters
- Staffing Agencies
- Think Tanks
- Youth Organizations
- World Missions

# Resources:

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The following lists are samples of resources available for learning more about majors and careers.\*

## Websites Related to this Field

- American Academy of Religion: <http://www.aarweb.org/>
- American Council of Christian Churches: <https://acc4truth.org/>
- Council for Christian Colleges and Universities: <http://www.cccu.org/>

## Professional Associations - Samples

- American Association of Clinical Pastoral Education: <https://acpe.edu/>

## Sample Internship Sites & Volunteer Opportunities

- <https://spu.edu/administration/center-career-calling/prepare/finding-an-internship/internship-locations>

## General Career Information

- Occupational Outlook Handbook: [www.bls.gov/ooh](http://www.bls.gov/ooh)
- The Occupational Information Network, (O\*Net): [www.onetonline.org](http://www.onetonline.org)

## SPU Resources

- Theology Department Website: <http://www.spu.edu/depts/theology/>
- Theology Student Union: <http://spu.edu/academics/school-of-theology/undergraduate-programs/theology-student-union>
- Major & Career Exploration (GS 2001 - 2 credits, offered every quarter)
- Career Counseling: call 206.281.2485 or stop by the Center for Career and Calling on the second floor of the SUB
- Academic Advising: [www.spu.edu/depts/sas](http://www.spu.edu/depts/sas)
- Academic Catalog: [www.spu.edu/academics.aspx](http://www.spu.edu/academics.aspx)

\* Websites are current as of August 2020. If any go inactive, please let us know.