



# VISITORS GUIDE

UNIVERSITY OF SAINT MARY OF THE LAKE

MUNDELEIN SEMINARY





## WELCOME TO THE UNIVERSITY OF SAINT MARY OF THE LAKE MUNDELEIN SEMINARY

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Chartered in 1844 and established on this campus in 1921, The University of Saint Mary of the Lake/Mundelein Seminary (USML) is the major seminary of the Archdiocese of Chicago with a national and international reach. George Cardinal Mundelein, our founder, is also the namesake for the town in which we are located.

USML annually serves about 900 students across its programs. As a graduate school of theology, the University has an enrollment of nearly 300 degree-seeking students, of which 138 are seminarians preparing for service as diocesan priests in more than 29 dioceses worldwide. Additionally, our specialized Institute of Diaconal Studies, Institute for Pastoral Leadership, Liturgical Institute and Instituto de Liderazgo Pastoral prepare more than 400 women and men for roles of vocational service to the Church.

While on campus, we ask that you keep a sense of the sacred and help us maintain an atmosphere conducive to prayer, study, retreats, peacefulness and safety not only for our students, but also for you, our guests. Thank you for visiting us today.

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## CAMPUS MAP

(Due to COVID-19, all buildings are closed to the public with the exception of the Bookstore)

- A** Chapel of the Immaculate Conception (600P)
- B** Bookstore/Dining Hall/  
Mundelein Hall (601U)
- C** Administration Building (500P)
- D** Conference Center Meeting Hall (400P)
- E** Conference Center Lodging & Registration  
(300P)
- F** Liturgical Institute (101P)
- G** Priest Center (201P)
  - Institute on Religious Life
  - Institute for Diaconal Studies
  - Institute for Pastoral Leadership
  - Instituto de Liderazgo Pastoral
- H** Gymnasium (301P)
- I** Column of the Immaculate Conception  
(DIME Statue)
- J** Mall/Belvedere/Pier
- K** Our Lady of Lourdes Grotto, Stations of the Cross  
& Francis Cardinal George, OMI Memorial  
Garden
- L** Cardinal Mundelein Auditorium (901P)
- M** Feehan Memorial Library/McEssy Theological  
Resource Center (700P)

## Private Buildings

(Not Open to the Public)

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- N** Classroom Building (800P)
- O** Theology Building (900P)
- P** Faculty Building (1000P)
- Q** Faculty Parking
- R** Greenhouse (701U)
- S** Laundry (600U)
- T** Warehouse (500U)
- U** Powerplant (300U)



## HOURS

Our campus grounds, Grotto and Mall are open to the public from 12 p.m.–5 p.m. daily. The Bookstore is open to the public on Wednesday and Friday from 12 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. Currently, the Feehan Memorial Library and McEssy Theological Resource Center are closed to all visitors and guests. Please see the campus map for designated public areas.

## PARKING

The Purple Lot is designated for all visitor parking and is located near Mundelein Hall.

## PUBLIC RESTROOMS

For the safety of our community, all buildings will be closed and restrooms unavailable due to COVID-19 restrictions.

## CAMPUS REGULATIONS

Masks must be worn at all times while on campus.

For the safety of our community, we do not allow weapons, alcohol, pets, use of the lake (including all water activities) or exploring the forest, unpaved, or other areas marked private or resident.

Also prohibited is the use of bicycles, motorcycles and roadside parking due to our narrow campus roadways.

As a sacred space and home to theological students and faculty, picnics, sunbathing, fireworks, loud music, the use of drones or the use of the athletic fields are not allowed without prior authorized consent. For dress code information and full regulations, visit [usml.edu/visitors](http://usml.edu/visitors).

# FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

### ***Can I book a retreat, meeting or other event on campus?***

Offering a spiritual environment of stillness, reflection and contemplation, USML has a dedicated meeting hall with eight meeting rooms and over 10,000 sq. ft. of meeting space that can be configured to meet the exact needs of your function.

We also have a lodging facility with sleeping rooms - each with their own private bathroom - in our conference center lodge, which are available for private retreats or larger group bookings. For information, rates and availability, please call 847-566-8290 or email [conferencecenter@usml.edu](mailto:conferencecenter@usml.edu).

### ***Is there a place to eat on campus?***

Due to COVID-19, our dining hall is closed to the general public during this time.

### ***Do you offer tours of campus?***

Due to COVID-19, USML is currently not scheduling tours at this time. We hope to resume the tour offering as soon as we are able to do so safely.

### ***Am I allowed to take photos of the campus? Can I take wedding/prom/graduation photos?***

You are welcome to take photos for personal use. We also invite you to tag us on Twitter/Instagram/Facebook: @mundeleinsem

For weddings, graduations, Quinceañeras, proms and other personal events, whether taken by yourself or a hired photographer, we do require a permit application and a \$200 photo donation. *Pricing subject to change.*

Artistic, commercial, promotional or revenue-generating campaigns, must be specifically arranged in advance. Please call 847-566-8290 for more information.

Photo permits can be obtained online at [www.usml.edu/visitors](http://www.usml.edu/visitors)

### ***Is there a dress code?***

While on campus, masks are required at all times. For a complete dress code information, please visit [usml.edu/visitors](http://usml.edu/visitors).

### ***Do I need a permit to walk around the lake? Is there a fee?***

Daily, from 12 p.m. to 5 p.m., unless otherwise posted, we welcome individuals and small, informal groups of under 10 people to walk around the lake at no charge and with no permit required. Groups of 10 or more must register in advance by calling 847-566-8290. When walking, we ask that you to remember to be aware of and yield to traffic, stay on the paved roads or sidewalks, and stay along the roadside and avoid walking in the center of the roadways. As a reminder, masks are required at all times while on campus.

*Please note that pets other than service animals are prohibited at all times.*

### ***Can I go fishing in the lake?***

For conservation and safety reasons, fishing is not allowed.

### ***Can I bring my kayak, boat or scuba gear to the lake?***

As with fishing, due to conservation and safety reasons, no lake activities are permitted. This includes wading, swimming, scuba diving, wind-boarding, kayaking and any other person-to-water contact. During the winter, ice fishing or walking on the lake are also prohibited. Occasionally, you may see students, faculty and campus residents in boats on the lake. This is the only exception to our lake rules.

### ***How can I support USML?***

We appreciate your prayers for the formation of our seminarians and students. Monetary donations can be made at [www.usml.edu/give](http://www.usml.edu/give) or by calling 847-970-4816, Monday through Friday.

### ***Other questions?***

For more information, or answers to other questions, please call at 847-566-8290, or visit our website at [usml.edu](http://usml.edu).

**For complete USML campus regulations and visitor information, visit [www.usml.edu](http://www.usml.edu) or call 847-566-8290 for a copy. To reach Public Safety, please call 847-970-4815.**