

Centro Teológico Luterano Multicultural

CTLM

Wartburg Theological Seminary is excited to announce a relaunch of its Texas-based program, the Lutheran Seminary Program in the Southwest, as Centro Teológico Luterano Multicultural, beginning July 1, 2022.



The purpose of Centro Teológico Luterano Multicultural (CTLM) is as follows:

Wartburg Theological Seminary supports the larger vision of the ELCA in its work to diversify both ordained and lay leadership and grow multicultural congregations. WTS has committed the resources of CTLM to further this work. Based in Texas, CTLM implements its role in this larger vision in two primary ways. First, CTLM provides education and support for new and existing Latinx leaders, both lay and ordained, building networks of support for both Latinx leaders and worshipping communities. Second, CTLM provides training for ELCA synods, congregations, and pastors/deacons seeking to be formed for effective multicultural ministries, particularly those that seek to accompany Latinx ministries. To do this work, CTLM offers training sessions both virtually and in person for individuals and small groups from congregations and facilitates cohort groups for ongoing support and education.

In short, Centro Teológico Luterano Multicultural exists to provide education and support for new and existing lay and ordained Latinx leaders and their worshipping communities, and to provide training for ELCA congregations, pastors, and synod staff members seeking to be formed for effective multicultural ministries.

Wartburg Theological Seminary now has programs in place that can continue the work LSPS housed for decades, including distance M.Div. programs and competency-based TEEM programs in English and Spanish [Caminemos Juntos]. This allows Centro Teológico Luterano Multicultural to focus on other activities that are more specifically geared toward Latinx communities and congregations who are seeking to become more diverse. This new initiative continues and expands Wartburg's long commitment to Latinx ministries and leaders. We continue to value highly our long-term supporters of LSPS, including the three Texas Synods, who have been excellent partners with us for decades.

See the website for more information, including information about specific programming coming up in the next year: www.wartburgseminary.edu/ctlm.

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