



NACTS

National Association of Catholic Theological Schools

Annual Conference

October 3-4, 2025

Hilton Garden Inn Schaumburg

[1191 Woodfield Road Schaumburg, Illinois 60173 USA](https://www.hilton.com/en/hotels/schaumburg-hilton-garden-inn-schaumburg-illinois)

AGENDA

Thursday, October 2, 2025

Arrivals for those attending the NACTS meeting.

Please check in at hotel desk and NACTS table

Dinner on your own

Friday, October 3, 2025

Morning

7:30 am	Mass – Main Celebrant Fr. Alfredo Hernández
8:15 am	Breakfast
9:00–9:45 am	Assessing the Suitability of Candidates for Priesthood: Best Practices for Bishops, Rectors, and Formation Teams – Presentation of Preliminary Report – Fr. Thomas Berg (McGrath Institute) and Dr. Jonathon Wiggins (CARA)
9:45–10:00 am	Questions and Answers and Large Group Discussion
10:00–10:15 am	Break
10:15–11:00 am	Assessing the Suitability of Candidates for Priesthood: Best Practices for Bishops, Rectors, and Formation Teams – Practical Considerations – Dr. Tim Lock (Goretti Center and St. Joseph’s Seminary-Dunwoodie)
11:00–11:30 am	Breakout by Roles
11:30–12 noon	Large Group Discussion
12 noon	Lunch

Afternoon

2:00–2:30 pm	NACTS Business Meeting
2:30–3:00 pm	Welcoming International Seminarians: Legal Issues – Ms. Olga Rojas, Esq.
3:00 pm	Break
3:15–3:45 pm	Welcoming International Seminarians: Formation – Fr. Deogratias Ekisa (Notre Dame Seminary)
3:45–4:15 pm	Breakout by roles
4:15–4:30 pm	Break
4:30–5:00 pm	Questions and Answers and Large Group Discussion
5:00 pm	Evening Prayer
5:20 pm	Social

Dinner on your own

Saturday, October 4, 2025

Morning

7:30 am	Mass – Main Celebrant Bishop David Toups
8:15 am	Breakfast
9:00–9:30 am	Address by Bishop Toups
9:30–9:45 am	Report from the CCLV – Rev. Jorge Torres
9:45–10:30 am	Questions and Answers and Large Group Discussion
10:30–10:45 am	Break
10:45–11:00 am	ATS Report
11:00–11:30 am	Executive Committee Meeting
11:30 am	Rectors' Lunch