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ABSTRACT: Records of the Benedictine Institute of Sacred Theology (BIST), founded in 1957 to organize a school of theology for Benedictine Sisters. Paschal Botz, OSB, was the founding director along with Sr. Mary Anthony Wagner, OSB. The Institute was a five-year summer school conducted on the graduate level to provide specialized training to Sisters as teachers of religion. The summer sessions were conducted at the College of St. Benedict, St. Joseph, Minnesota, with affiliation to St. John’s University. In 1963, the graduate school was formally organized as a division of St. John’s University.

ADMINISTRATIVE HISTORY: The office of Dean of the Graduate School of Theology was established in 1962. The Deans have been:

- Paschal Botz, OSB, 1962-1966
- Aelred Tegels, OSB, 1969-1973
- Mary Anthony Wagner, OSB, 1974-1978

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