

**Youth Ministry Emphasis Courses**

- CHMN520 Contextualized Preaching: Youth (2)  
 CHMN657 Counseling Youth and Young Adults (2)  
 CHMN554 (or RLED605) Leadership in Religious Education (2)  
 CHMN608 Youth in Contemporary Culture (2)  
 CHMN534 Youth Ministry Leadership (2)  
 CHMN564 Advanced Youth Ministry Leadership (2)

Choose two of the following: (4)

- CHMN636 (choose no more than two from Children's Ministry, Adolescent Ministry, Young Adult Ministry, Youth Evangelism, Visionary Leadership, African-American Youth Ministry, Hispanic Youth Ministry)  
 CHMN619 Religious Experience in Adolescence  
 CHMN623 Innovative Evangelism  
 CHMN546 Marriage and Family  
 CHMN616 Spirituality in Ministry  
 CHMN626 Ministry to At-Risk Youth  
 EDPC515 Psychological Development—the Growth Years  
 EDPC516 Psychology of Character Development

**Electives****TOTAL CREDITS for the MA Degree****16****14  
48**

It is recommended that students who have no religion or theology in their undergraduate degree use 6-8 credits of their electives in Biblical studies.

**Elective Options.** Students in the MA in Youth Ministry program can utilize their elective credits to tailor a program to their specific ministry needs through the following four options. Students must take 6 credits in the first option, Field Practicum, or if one qualifies, 6 credits in the second option, Learning in Professional Experience.

**FIELD PRACTICUM**

Students may take up to 6 credits in CHMN660. Normally registration is allowed only after the student has earned 24 or more credits.

**CREDIT THROUGH LEARNING IN PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

Students may be eligible for up to 6 credits approved by the dean for learning in professional experience based on the criteria listed under the MA in Pastoral Ministry program, p. 300.

**ELECTIVE COURSES**

Students may select courses approved for academic graduate degrees from any of the Andrews University schools, provided there is a correlation with the chosen field of youth ministry. Students can take up to 6 credits in CHMN690.

**THESIS OPTION**

Students may elect to write a Master of Arts thesis (GSEM697) for a total of 6 credits. Under this option, the student must successfully defend the thesis. See instructions under the MDiv Thesis Option, p. 300. Students choosing the thesis option must take GSEM620 before beginning work on the thesis.

**CERTIFICATION FOR TEACHING**

Students who plan to teach religion in a Seventh-day Adventist academy or in a secondary school are urged to consult as early in the program as possible with the director of the MA program and the university certification officer regarding qualifying for Adventist teaching credentials. See pp. 265–266 for more information about recommended methods courses in Bible teaching designed to meet the certification requirements.

## MSA: Master of Science in Administration

The Seminary offers many of the credits required to complete the following multi-school programs.

**MSA: CHURCH ADMINISTRATION**

This program is designed for individuals who wish to specialize in church administration at a level of expertise not available in the MDiv program. The MSA program prepares students to serve as presidents, treasurers, and/or institutional administrators. See the School of Business section of this bulletin, p. 241, for program details.

**MSA: INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT**

This program is administered by the International Development Council at Andrews University. It equips graduates with both a spiritual vision and the technical expertise to work with the poor and oppressed. Community development projects and community relief and disaster activities are emphasized.

The multi-disciplinary program uses the resources of the Theological Seminary, the School of Business, the School of Education, the College of Arts and Sciences, and the College of Technology. See the International Development section of this bulletin for further details, p. 80.

## MA: Religion

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The Master of Arts in Religion is an academic program involving one year of specialized study beyond the baccalaureate-degree level. The MA in Religion degree is offered with these orientations: (1) Research Orientation which requires a thesis and a modern language relevant to the student's research, usually French or German; and (2) General Academic Orientation, which requires comprehensive examinations. The program requires a minimum of 32 credits. Only 500- and 600-level courses are accepted. The purpose of this program is to provide specialized training within the broader setting of the various disciplines of the Seminary. Students may choose an area of emphasis from those listed below:

- Archaeology and History of Antiquity
- Biblical-Theological Studies (Affiliation and Extension Programs)
- Biblical and Cognate Languages
- Church History