

Eligibility form from Andrews University. The certificate is issued by the union conference where the candidate takes his/her first teaching position.

Requirements for this certificate may be completed by taking additional courses along with the MA in Youth and Young Adult Ministry. More information about preparing to teach religion in Adventist schools is available from the University Certification Registrar in the School of Education.

MA in Youth and Young Adult Ministry Intensive Curriculum Option

The MA in Youth and Young Adult Ministry offers an intensive format for those who are unable to study in residence. It is completed over three years by attending five weeks of intensives on campus each year. The course is completed through distance learning and a field practicum.

MA in Youth and Young Adult Ministry/ Masters in Social Work Dual Degree Program

Andrews University has formed a collaborative between the Department of Discipleship & Religious Education in the Seminary and the Department of Social Work in the College of Arts & Sciences to prepare students for ministry to youth/young adults and social work. Students choosing this program would receive both a Masters in Youth and Young Adult Ministry and a Masters in Social Work.

The objectives of this program are to equip students for various forms of youth ministry in which skills in social work and youth ministry are needed; to enable students to integrate both youth ministry and social work knowledge, values and skills into a multifaceted approach to Christian service, thereby enhancing their usefulness as instruments of the Holy Spirit.

The program is designed to give students both Masters degrees within three years.

Both degrees are conferred by Andrews University. The program will require students to take courses in summer sessions.

Requirements for Admission

Applicants for the MA in Youth and Young Adult Ministry/MSW dual degree program typically will have received a bachelor's degree from a four-year college or university accredited by one of the nationally recognized accrediting agencies in the United States, or hold an equivalent educational credential from another country. Application must be made separately to both the Department of Discipleship & Religious Education and the Department of Social Work. Acceptance into one of the programs does not guarantee acceptance into the other.

Applicants must meet the admissions requirements for each program, including all required prerequisites.

MAYYAM: Students must either pass the Biblical Literacy Entrance Test with a score of 80% or take the course GSEM525 and pass with a grade of C+ or better. Full information on the test including a list of items that must be mastered in order to pass it is available online at <http://www.andrews.edu/sem/Articles/NT/2007-Study-Guide-Bible-Knowledge.pdf>.

MSW: 1) Applicants to the social work program must complete the Graduate Record Exam prior to admission into the program.

- 2) Students must maintain a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0 in social work program courses.
- 3) No grade of D or F (or U) may count toward the MSW degree.

Credits for Each Program

MAYYAM: Graduation requirements consist of the satisfactory completion of 32 semester credits with an overall grade point average of C (2.5) or better. An additional eight credits are shared between the two curricula in lieu of MAYYAM electives. There will also be an 11-credit shared field work experience.

MSW: MAYYAM students are required to complete 35 core credit hours for the MSW program.

Both current MAYYAM students as well as those who have completed the degree are eligible for a tuition discount for MSW credits when they are accepted into the MSW program.

Dual Degree Course Plan (Shared Curriculum)

Year 1:

DSRE541	Foundations of Biblical Spirituality (2)
CHMN632	Contextualized Preaching for Youth (2)
DSRE534	Ministry to Youth and Young Adults (2)
THST	(Theology Course) (2)
SOWK561	Social Work Research I (2)
SOWK531	Human Behavior and the Social Environment I (2)
DSRE564	Advanced Youth Ministry Leadership (2)
DSRE608	Youth and Young Adults in Contemporary Culture (2)
CHMN523	Worship: Word and Music (2)
DSRE656	Counseling Youth & Young Adults (2)
SOWK562	Social Work Research II (2)
SOWK532	Human Behavior and the Social Environment II (2)
CHIS	(Church History Course) (2)
OTST/NTST	(Biblical Studies Course) (2)

Year 2:

DSRE605	Issues in Religious Education OR
DSRE610	Teaching for Discipleship (2)
CHMN	Conflict Resolution or Church Leadership (2)
SOWK510	Field Seminar (.5)
DSRE660/SOWK 535	Field Practicum (2)
SOWK501	Foundations of Practice I (*Marriage, Family & Interpersonal Relationships) (4)
OTST/NTST	(Biblical Studies Course) (2)
CHMN/DSRE	Course (2)
SOWK 515	Christian Perspectives on Ethics and Diversity (2)
SOWK510	Field Seminar (.5)
DSRE660/SOWK 535	Field Practicum (2)
SOWK502	Foundations of Practice II (4)
SOWK550	Social Welfare Policy (3)
MSSN	(World Mission Course) (2)
THST	(Theology Course) (2)

Year 3:

SOWK605	Advanced Assessment (3)
SOWK610	Advanced Field Seminar (.5)
DSRE660/SOWK635	Advanced Field Practicum (2)
SOWK601	Advanced Practice I (2)
SOWK689	Advanced Professional Seminar (.5)
SOWK630	Policy for Social Change (3)

Seminary credits: 32

Social Work credits: 35

*Credits shared: 11

TOTAL CREDITS: 78

*Shared credits for MAYYAM with MSW equal 11: CHMN503 Marriage, Family & Interpersonal Relationships is shared with SOWK501 Foundations of Practice I. DSRE660 Field Practicum is shared with SOWK510, 535, 610 and 635.

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 Administration section of this bulletin, p. 284, 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 Administration, the School of Education, the College of Arts & Sciences, and the College of Technology. See the International Development section of this bulletin for further details, p. 84.

MA: RELIGION

Martin Hanna, *Director*

The Master of Arts (Religion) is an academic program usually involving two years of specialized study beyond the baccalaureate-degree level. The program requires 48 credits of course work. However, students with advanced theological study or prior extensive undergraduate studies in religion may complete the program with a minimum of 32 credits. (See section below on degree requirements).

The MA (Religion) degree is offered with these orientations: (1) Research Orientation which requires a thesis and a modern language relevant to the student's research (French or German are recommended); and (2) General Academic Orientation, which requires comprehensive examinations. 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
- Intercultural Studies
- Intertestamental (Jewish) Studies
- Jewish and Muslim Faiths
- Mission Studies
- New Testament Studies
- Old Testament Studies
- Theological Studies

The MA in Religion degree with the research orientation is designed to fulfill the needs of students planning further graduate study in biblical studies, religion, or theology. The general academic orientation should fulfill the needs of students who plan to engage in religious or secular endeavors which require a strong background in an emphasis. The MA in Religion is offered both on campus and at affiliation and extension centers outside the United States. When offered at affiliation sites, the program may reflect context-sensitive needs in its curriculum as approved by the seminary faculty.

Admission Requirements

Admission to the MA in Religion program is based on the following requirements in addition to the general admission requirements for all graduate students on p. 44, and the general seminary admission requirements on pp. 347–350.

1. Applicant holds a baccalaureate degree or its equivalent, normally with a major in religion or theology with a minimum undergraduate GPA of 3.00 or above.
2. Applicant demonstrates language proficiency or shows a plan for acquiring language proficiency as determined by the selected area of emphasis. Proficiency is defined as the reading knowledge of a language at the intermediate level. Examinations may be required to demonstrate proficiency. Biblical language proficiency must be demonstrated before registration for exegesis courses. Modern language deficiencies must be made up before registering for the MA thesis. Language proficiency courses do not apply toward the 32 credits of the MA degree requirements.
3. Complete and return the Sixteen Personality Factor Questionnaire as directed.

Prerequisites

Language Prerequisites. Students meet the language prerequisites for the various areas of emphasis either by completing the courses listed below or by passing a qualifying examination at the intermediate level.

- Archaeology and History of Antiquity
 - Intermediate Greek or Biblical Hebrew II
- Biblical and Cognate Languages
 - Intermediate Greek and Biblical Hebrew II
- Biblical and Theological Studies
 - Intermediate Greek or Biblical Hebrew II
- Church History
 - Intermediate Greek or Intermediate Latin
- Intercultural Studies
 - Intermediate Arabic
- Intertestamental (Jewish) Studies
 - Intermediate Greek and Biblical Hebrew II
- Jewish and Muslim Faiths
 - Biblical Hebrew II
- Mission Studies
 - Intermediate Greek or Biblical Hebrew II
 - (or a reading knowledge of a modern foreign language)