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ANDREWS UNIVERSITY MISSION STATEMENT

Andrews University, a distinctive Seventh-day Adventist Christian institution, transforms its students by educating them to seek knowledge and affirm faith in order to change the world.

Andrews University students will:

Seek Knowledge as they

- Engage in intellectual discovery and inquiry
- Demonstrate the ability to think clearly and critically
- Communicate effectively
- Understand life, learning, and civic responsibility from a Christian point of view
- Demonstrate competence in their chosen disciplines and professions

Affirm Faith as they

- Develop a personal relationship with Jesus Christ
- Deepen their faith commitment and practice
- Demonstrate personal and moral integrity
- Embrace a balanced lifestyle, including time for intellectual, social, spiritual, and physical development
- Apply understanding of cultural differences in diverse environments

Change the World as they go forth to

- Engage in creative problem-solving and innovation
- Engage in generous service to meet human needs
- Apply collaborative leadership to foster growth and promote change
- Engage in activities consistent with the worldwide mission of the Seventh-day Adventist Church

THE UNIVERSITY

Andrews University was established over a century ago, in 1874, as Battle Creek College in Battle Creek, Michigan—a collegiate program that offered literature, languages, science and mathematics, training for teachers, and theology. Its founders, the visionaries of the young Seventh-day Adventist denomination, believed they should use every avenue to spread the gospel and serve the world, including higher education.

On the brink of a new century, seeking room for expansion and a fresh start, the school moved in 1901 to a beautiful site near the banks of the St. Joseph River in Berrien Springs and was renamed Emmanuel Missionary College. From woods and farmland on which faculty and students built three wooden frame buildings to hold their new school, the campus has grown to a property of 1,600 acres and a complex of academic buildings, residence halls and apartments, and service buildings.

The vision blossomed still further when, in 1959, the Seventh-day Adventist Theological Seminary and a school of graduate studies, together known as Potomac University and located in Washington, D.C., were moved to the campus of Emmanuel Missionary College. The following year the three entities united under one charter bearing the name Andrews University—with an integrated board of trustees, administration and faculty. The name honors John Nevins Andrews (1829–83), pioneer Adventist theologian and intellectual and the denomination's first official missionary to serve outside North America.

In 1974, the undergraduate division of Andrews was organized into two colleges—the College of Arts and Sciences and the College of Technology. The School of Business Administration, which evolved from the Department of Business Administration, was established in 1980. In a similar move, the Department of Education became the School of Education in 1983. In 1993, the Department of Architecture became the Division of Architecture, and is now the School of Architecture. The present organizational structure of the School of Graduate Studies was adopted in 1987. All of the colleges and schools offer both undergraduate and graduate degrees. The Seventh-day Adventist Theological Seminary maintains graduate and professional programs only.

The only Seventh-day Adventist doctoral research university, Andrews University is also a comprehensive institution of higher learning integrating an exemplary liberal arts and sciences core with five powerful professional schools and several excellent graduate programs.

Rooted in a tradition of visionaries who saw what was possible and enriched by an international and diverse faculty and student body, Andrews University now offers a wealth of choices in degree and certificate programs to prepare its graduates for life in the new century. The mission of this distinguished institution, however, remains the same—to serve God and humankind in the spirit of generous service while truly ushering in a New Andrews for a New Century.

Accreditation

Recognizing that students benefit from studying in accredited programs, Andrews University is accredited by The Higher Learning Commission and a member of the North Central Association¹ (see Appendix, p. 423) and the Adventist Accrediting Association of the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists for programs through the doctoral level. Professional organizations have accredited specific degree programs of the University and other programs are moving toward accreditation. (A complete listing of university accreditations, approvals, and memberships is found in the Appendix.)

Quality Academic Programs

The high quality of the educational experience at Andrews University is shown by its listing in *U.S. News and World Report's* annual report on “Best Colleges.” Andrews is among the American colleges and universities listed in *Petersen's Top Colleges in Science*. A strong undergraduate honors program attracts such outstanding students as National Merit Finalists,

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secondary-school valedictorians and others with outstanding secondary-school achievement.

Andrews provides a carefully designed advising program to help students make sound career choices. Undecided students can fulfill General Education requirements and learn practical skills through a variety of courses while they explore career options.

Students also develop skills for post-graduation employment. They develop those skills through practice teaching, career practica, cooperative work-study programs with businesses and corporations, or clinical rotations in health-care settings.

Students wishing to increase their academic success will benefit from comprehensive assessment of academic learning styles and skills, courses in reading, writing, and math and tutoring services.

International Opportunities

Each year, students from 80–100 different countries enroll at Andrews University. More than 25% of the students come from other countries. This places the university among the top level of small American universities with high percentages of international students. One experiences the reality of a global village while attending college.

Students who wish to immerse themselves fully in American culture may enroll in the Action America program on the Andrews campus.

International education opportunities include study abroad (p. 18), study tours and short-term service learning opportunities abroad (pp. 18, 41).

ACADEMIC RESOURCES

Andrews International Center for Educational Research **Bell Hall, Room 471-6080**

Andrews International Center for Educational Research (AICER) is the research and international service center for the School of Education. Its mission is to promote and disseminate faculty research on regional and global education, with a special focus on Adventist education. AICER seeks to promote research which develops the empirical knowledge-base and best-practices related to education through the development of a network of international researchers that provide technical research and evaluation services to international educational organizations. AICER's researchers focus their agendas on learning, teaching, spiritual and ethical development, educational leadership, and evaluations of programs. AICER promotes research in elementary, secondary and tertiary educational organizations as well as community groups engaged in educational services.

Architecture Resource Center **Architecture Building 471-2417**

The Architecture Resource Center (ARC), a branch of the James White Library, provides the School of Architecture with a premier collection of resources for the study and research of architecture. The collection is of a broad scope with an academic focus in architecture and design. The ARC currently holds a collection of over 28,500 books and 106 periodical titles. The ARC stays current through its acquisitions by continually updating the collection with new titles in: books, monographs, periodicals, reference books, CDs and videos. It also supports other campus disciplines such as facility planning, educational and church architecture, environmental psychology, and behavioral science.

The ARC is the official repository of a special and growing collection of materials on environmental design research. This collection is made available as a result of our affiliation with the international group known as the Environmental Design Research Association (EDRA). The purpose of this collection is to advance the art and science of environmental design, to improve understanding of the interrelationships between people and the built environment and to create environments responsive to human needs. The interdisciplinary collection holds books, trade journals, EDRA proceedings, documents, technical papers, and multimedia materials supporting research in the discipline of environment and behavior. The collection has been developed over the past 30 years and continues to expand, existing as the most comprehensive collection in the world.

The ARC is fortunate to have two rare book collections. One was donated by Ronald Senseman, FAIA, an architect who practiced in his own firm for over 30 years in the Washington, D.C. area. This exceptional collection includes classic rare books and photographs of architecture dating from the 19th century to the present. Vernon Watson, a Chicago Prairie Style Architect, donated his valuable and rare book collection to the ARC. Mr. Watson designed Griggs Hall, which was the original campus library, as well as several Prairie Style homes in Berrien County. In addition the ARC is now the official repository for the EDRA archive collection. This means professors, scholars and researchers, if they choose, will donate their private and personal collections to the collected works in the ARC.

Center for College Faith

The Center for College Faith, which is open to all members of the Andrews University faculty, seeks to help faculty better understand and foster the faith development of college undergraduates. The stated mission of the Center is twofold. Specifically it acquires and disseminates knowledge about how college students develop in their Christian beliefs, values, and lifelong commitment to God, especially in relation to direct academic experience; and promotes the growth of a distinctly Christian undergraduate "culture of learning" informed by careful scholarship on the Andrews University campus.

Center for Adventist Research car@andrews.edu **James White Library, Lower Level 471-3209**

The Center for Adventist Research (CAR) contains historical materials and resources on Seventh-day Adventist history and Ellen G. White, a key founder of the Seventh-day Adventist denomination. Comprised of the Adventist Heritage Center, the Ellen G. White Estate Branch Office, and AU Archives, the Center holds the largest collection of research materials on Seventh-day Adventism in the world. The CAR was formed in the fall of 2003 to better serve the campus community as well as the world community of Seventh-day Adventists by providing research support services as well as a significant outreach component. The Center and the Seminary Library cooperate to support theological education.

Adventist Heritage Center

Located within the Center for Adventist Research, the Adventist Heritage Center contains material on the history and development of the Millerite Movement and the Seventh-day Adventist Church since the 1840s to the present. Among the materials preserved at the Center are over 51,000 books and pamphlets, 24,000 periodical volumes, 12,500 microforms, 12,000 sound recordings and 3,000 video tapes. A sizeable number of the periodicals are non-English and represent the finest collection of its kind in