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MSA: CHURCH ADMINISTRATION

Welcome to the Graduate School at Andrews University. The faculty, staff, and students of the School of Business and the Seventh-day Adventist (SDA) Theological Seminary are pleased that you want to connect with our MSA program. As church and church-related administrative positions demand increased business orientation, training, and specialization, an advanced degree is a wise and practical career move. Our goal is to connect you with comprehensive instruction—including international exposure, personal student-professor interaction, excellent advising, attention to research, and an emphasis on the ethical dimensions of church administration—that will give you the understanding, practical application, and advantage you need to become a leader in your service profession.

CHOOSE ANDREWS UNIVERSITY

In addition to relevant course work and real-world work experience, our MSA in Church Administration program offers:

➤ International Exposure

Andrews University mirrors the international flavor of the business world. Our national and international reputation attracts students from all parts of the world, including Asia, Africa, Europe, North and South America. In fact, Andrews University is recognized nationally as one of the top ten campuses for international and ethnic diversity (*U.S. News & World Report*, 2002). Andrews is a place where students and faculty learn from each other and grow in their understanding and ability to work with other cultures and backgrounds. Most of our faculty members have either worked or lived outside the United States, and our alumni hold positions of responsibility in many countries across the globe. This unique combination of students, alumni, and faculty has allowed us to develop a truly global network of business skills and scholarship.

➤ Option for Full- or Part-Time Study

You don't need to quit your job to get your degree! The MSA in Church Administration program caters to both working professionals and regular students. MSA classes are scheduled in the late afternoons and evenings beginning at 5:00 p.m. and running no later than 9:15 p.m.

➤ Highly Qualified Faculty

Our faculty are as diverse in personality and nationality as they are in their expertise and the types of positions they've held in the business world. They enrich the classroom with their worldwide knowledge and experiences. Most of our faculty members hold PhD degrees in their instructional area.

➤ Small Classes and Individual Attention

In addition to a quality educational experience, graduate-level classes are small enough to provide a personal learning experience. MSA in Church Administration students get to know, and work closely with, real professors. This exposure enriches the learning process, as students are able—and encouraged—to relate and practice their ideas, aptitudes, and education in real and tangible ways.

➤ Superior, Sustainable Academics

For over a decade, Andrews University has received recognition as one of the top 250 universities in the United States in *U.S. News & World Report's* Best American Colleges. We educate students to develop superior business skills, and to not only understand current knowledge and practices, but also to have the abilities to learn and adapt after graduation.

➤ Facilities

Your learning will take place in state-of-the-art facilities. Chan Shun Hall features a 55-station computer lab for business student use, a 300-seat amphitheater, class- and seminar rooms, a conference room furnished by the Whirlpool Corporation, and faculty offices. The newly remodeled and expanded Seminary building offers a pleasant atmosphere with crisply designed conference-style classrooms, a private chapel, and spacious, tranquil areas for group work, study, and personal reflection.

OUR MISSION

The mission of the MSA program is to prepare students for positions of responsibility and leadership in church administration. The School of Business emphasizes the integration of business principles with Christian principles and philosophy to prepare students for leadership roles that require clear and critical thinking, wise judgment, effective communication, integrity in all actions, and recognition of opportunities for service. The Theological Seminary aims to prepare faithful and effective administrators to respond to cultural, ethnic, and national differences; encourage inter-ethnic and intercultural fellowship; further the message of the Seventh-day Adventist Church to the entire world; and commit to lifelong service wherever in the world that God's call may lead.

MASTER OF SCIENCE IN CHURCH ADMINISTRATION

The MSA is a unique blend of graduate-level business and church management courses aimed at developing professionally trained church administrators. The business component focuses on organizational theory, marketing concepts, and social and ethical issues important to church administration. The church management component focuses on issues in church leadership, growth, policy development, cultural relations, and effective communication. Students take courses from all church management areas.

WHY AN MSA IN CHURCH ADMINISTRATION AND WHAT CAN I DO WITH IT?

The MSA degree is a unique combination of business courses and courses in church leadership, issues, and development. The degree is intended for individuals in management positions in church or church-related organizations, such as departmental directors in Seventh-day Adventist Conferences or Unions, or church workers who want to broaden their business knowledge and orientation to become more specialized and effective managers of church or church-related operations and services. The MSA degree enables individuals to assume management, leadership, and supervisory roles within church-related organizations and settings.

WHAT SCHOLARSHIPS ARE AVAILABLE?

The School of Business and the Theological Seminary offer modest tuition scholarships to MSA students. Scholarships are automatically given to those who qualify, and no application is necessary. Any student who maintains a cumulative and semester Grade Point Average (GPA) of 3.00 or above is eligible. The scholarship amount is determined based on the student's GPA in the previous semester and the current semester graduate-credit load. Connect with the School of Business for more information.

ADMISSIONS INFORMATION

Applicants for the MSA program must submit an Andrews University Graduate Application and meet all graduate admission requirements (listed in the Andrews University Bulletin). The School of Business requires the following:

- A four-year baccalaureate degree from an accredited American university or senior college, or its equivalent outside the United States.
- A minimum undergraduate GPA of 2.60 .
- If English is not the first language and/or not the language of instruction in secondary and post-secondary study, a minimum TOEFL score of 550 on the paper-based test or 213 in the computer-based test, or a MELAB score of 80, is required.
- Complete and submit Graduate Record Examination (GRE) or Graduate Management Aptitude Test (GMAT) scores. No minimum score is required.



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