STUDENT HANDBOOK
2022-2023

Andrews University
Department of Religion & Biblical Languages

CHOOSE A MISSION
Not just a major
Warm greetings from the Department of Religion and Biblical Languages! I am honored and delighted to serve as the new department chair and continue the rich tradition of educating, equipping, and supporting our students’ growth and knowledge in the Lord!

In Psalm 1:3, the righteous are compared to “trees planted by streams of water, which yield their fruit in its season, and their leaves do not wither. In all that they do, they prosper.” The same psalm states that the wicked are blown around by the wind with nothing to keep them grounded. The difference between the two is roots. Simply put, roots matter! The deeper the roots, the more secure the tree. Deep roots sustain us through droughts, steady us through trials, and nourish us to thrive.

The programs in the Religion Department are designed to grow your roots, to deepen the critical analysis of yourself, your world, and traditions through the lens of Scripture. At the same time, you are also deepening your relationships with God, others, and the world. The theology degree prepares students for full-time pastoral ministry and fulfills all the seminary’s Master of Divinity program prerequisites. On the other hand, the B.A. in Religion complements other areas of study and assists students in identifying the synergy between their faith and their chosen vocation. Consequently, most students pursue a Religion degree as a double major.

My prayer is that as you pursue your Theology or Religion degree or complete your general education religion requirements, you will be more rooted in the love of Christ so that you will remain firmly fixed, well-nourished, and filled with a reserve of spiritual strength for times of stress and storms. Throughout the school year, “Let your roots grow down into [Christ], and let your lives be built on Him. Then your faith will grow strong in the truth you were taught, and you will overflow with thankfulness” (Colossians 2:7).

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Rodney Palmer

**Education**
United Theological Seminary, D.Min.
Liberty University, M.Div., MA

**Biography**
Dr. Rodney Palmer is an Associate Professor of Religion, with emphasis in Homiletics and Pastoral Ministry. He also serves as the director of Practicum Studies and the Barnabas Internship program. He completed his Doctor of Ministry Degree in Prophetic Preaching and Praxis at United Theological Seminary, OH, and is also a Certified Trauma Support Specialist. Palmer was born in Jamaica and pastored in the Central Jamaica Conference of Seventh-day Adventists for nine years. Prior to coming to Andrews University, he served for three years as a Senior Pastor in the Wisconsin Conference and as a Lake Union Conference Executive Committee member. Dr. Palmer is married to Alyssa, a graduate of the University of Wisconsin Law School with a Juris Doctor degree. The Palmers are the proud parents of Luke and Emerson. His research agenda includes multigenerational preaching and trauma-informed approaches to both preaching and higher education. He is also currently pursuing a second doctorate in higher education administration.

Erhard Gallos

**Education**
PhD, Andrews University
MA, Newbold College, England

**Biography**
Erhard Gallos is an assistant professor of Religion at Andrews University. He pastored in Germany for six years before coming to Andrews University. He joined the faculty in 2008 and teaches New Testament courses, Greek, Ethics, Hermeneutics, and SDA Heritage and the Gift of Prophecy. His focus of intense study has been in the book of Hebrews and his PhD dissertation was on the Sabbath-rest of Hebrews 4. In addition to being a passionate teacher and student of God's word, Erhard loves spending times with his wife, Irmgard and adult twin daughters, Dorothea and Christiane. In early 2020, Erhard Gallos wrote the Teachers Edition of the Adult Sabbath School for 2022. Recently, he finished the commentary on the Epistle of James for the Andrews Bible Commentary. He is currently writing a commentary on the book of 1 Thessalonians for the SDA International Commentary.
Rubén Muñoz-Larrondo

Education
PhD, Vanderbilt University
MDiv, Andrews University
MAThS, Northern Baptist Theological Seminary, Illinois

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Biography
Dr. Rubén Muñoz-Larrondo is an Associate Professor of Biblical Studies who teaches New Testament, Greek classes and specializes in biblical hermeneutics. He served as a district Pastor for ten years before receiving his PhD from Vanderbilt University. Pastor Muñoz-Larrondo is the program Director for the online Spanish Ministry Certificate and General Editor of the series of textbooks, of which three have already been published by the Department of Religion. In addition, he has published a book on the Acts of the Apostles, and has written book-chapters in commentaries, and has presented numerous scholarly papers. He is currently editing the next Spanish Series textbooks, including his Handbook of Hermeneutics and Exegesis. He loves to organize, teach, and travel on the Bible Lands Study Tour, which provides students the opportunity to learn at biblical sites. He is happily married to Angelica and they are proud parents of three AU alumni, Paulina, Rubén Andrés and Constanza.

Davide Sciarabba

Education
PhD Candidate, Andrews University
MA River Plate University, Argentina.
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Maitrise en Théologie, Adventist University of France, Collonges s/Salève

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Biography
Davide Sciarabba is originally from Italy. He is an ordained pastor who served the church as chaplain, professor, youth pastor and senior pastor in three different Adventist Universities (Florence, Italy; Collonges, France; Sagunto, Spain). He is earning a PhD in Religion in Systematic Theology with emphasis in Ethics at Andrews University. He is married to Sonia Badenas (Assistant professor of French at AU) and they have two children, Flavia and Marco. His doctoral dissertation explores the concept of faith in the life of the believer.
Rahel Wells

Education
PhD, Biblical and Theological Studies, Wheaton College
MS, Biology, Andrews University
MA, Religion, Andrews University

Biography
A. Rahel Wells is passionate about God’s Word and God’s world, and seeks to combine these areas in teaching, scholarship and ministry. Her current research focus areas include God’s care for animals and the earth, metaphor in the Old Testament, composition of the Torah, and the books of Deuteronomy and Habakkuk. Along with various conference presentations on these topics, her recent publications include several journal articles and book chapters, and three book projects in progress. A book she co-edited and contributed to, *Exploring the Composition of the Pentateuch*, was published in 2020 by Eisenbrauns.

GLENN RUSSELL

PhD, Trinity International University;
MDiv, Andrews University

Glenn Russell was born in Egypt to missionary parents and his formative years were spent living in Beirut, Lebanon. He graduated from Columbia Union College, later graduated with a Master of Divinity degree from the Andrews University Theological Seminary. He earned a Doctor of Ministry degree from Trinity International University with an emphasis on missions and ministry. Dr. Russell spent 10 years pastoring in Virginia and Maryland and then 15 years serving as the Bible teacher at Andrews Academy. He served as professor of missions and department chair till retirement in 2022. His doctoral research focused upon developing missiologically and biblically based short-term missions in the context of long-term missions. His conducts at least two mission trips per year and enjoys being a global Christian in the more than 22 countries where he has served. He continues to teach and serve on a part-time basis.
Bachelor of Arts in Theology - Degree Plan

Major Courses - 65 credits + 15 credits cognates

Biblical Studies - 24
___RELB 111 Intro to the Old Testament (3)
___RELB 112 Intro to the New Testament (3)
___RELB 210 Jesus in His Time & Ours (3)
___RELB 245 Hermeneutics (3)
___RELB 335 Acts and Epistles (3)
___RELB 406 Studies in Daniel & Revelation (3)

Choose one of the following courses:
___RELB 274/474 Prophetic Writings or Adv. (3)

Choose one of the following courses:
___RELB 216/416 Law and Writings or Adv. (3)

Systematic Theology/Ethics - 10
___RELT 325 Theology I (3)
___RELT 326 Theology II (3)
___RELT 340 Religion and Ethics in Modern Soc. (3)

Choose one of the following courses:
___RELT 295 Intro to Theological Research or HONS

Religious History - 10
___RELH 316 History of the Christian Church I (3)
___RELH 317 History of the Christian Church II (3)
___RELH 400 SDA History & Prophetic Heritage (3,4)

Practical Studies - 15
___RELP 105, Introduction to Pastoral Service (1)
___RELP 200 Religion Forum (Every Semester) (0)
___RELP 240 Personal Witnessing (2)
___RELP 330 Homiletics Intro to Preaching (2)
___RELP 301 Marriage & Family Ministry (3)
___RELP 350 Evangelism (3)
___RELP 480 Practicum Capstone (1)
___RELP 485 Pastoral Ministry (3)

Missions - 6 Choose two of the following courses:
___RELG 350 World Religions (3)
___RELG 225 Foundations of Missions (3)
___RELG 335 Foundations of Youth Ministry (3)

Forum (register every semester)
___RELP200 Religion Forum

Cognates - additional 15 credits
___BIBL 211 Greek I (3)
___BIBL 212 Greek II (3)
___BIBL 313 Greek III (3)
___BIBL 341 Hebrew I (3)
___BIBL 342 Hebrew II (3)

Field School is offered every other summer. Students register for RELP 350 and RELP 240 during field school.
# Bachelor of Arts in Religion - Degree Plan

## Major Courses - 41 credits

### Biblical Studies - 15
- RELB 111 Intro to the Old Testament (3)
- RELB 112 Intro to the New Testament (3)
- RELB 210 Jesus in His Time & Ours (3)
- RELB 406 Studies in Daniel and Revelation (3)

Choose one of the following courses:
- RELB 216 (Seminary prerequisite), 274, or 335 (3)

### Theological - 15-16
- RELH 400 SDA Hist. & Prophetic Heritage (3-4)
- RELT 325 Theology I (3) & T
- RELT 326 Theology II (3)
- RELT 340 Religion & Ethics in Modern Society (3)

Choose one of the following courses:
- RELT 250 Personal Spirituality & Faith (3) or
- RELT 315 Christian Discipleship (3)

### Practical Studies - 5-6
- RELP 200 Religion Forum (Every Semester) (0)

Choose 5-6 credits from the following courses:
- RELP 240 Personal Witnessing (2-3)
- Any RELP/RELG course (3)

### Electives – 6

Choose 6 credits from RELB, RELG, RELH, RELP, or RELT

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The Religion Major is designed as a two major degree. Religion majors generally have a second major which is their career or employment path. The religion major provides biblical depth and spiritual enrichment.

Therefore, each year Religion majors will combine their religion requirements and their second major requirements. Additionally, they will need to complete the ACE requirements for general education.

The Religion Major does not fulfill all Seminary prerequisites. Students planning to attend Seminary should take a Theology major.

- Freshman= 100 or 200 level courses
- Sophomore= 200 or 300 level courses
- Junior= 300 or 400 level courses
- Senior= remaining courses

**FORUM:** RELP200-002 required each semester.

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RELP 200-002 Religion Forum must be registered for every fall and spring semester.
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Certificates and Minors

**Biblical Languages Minor (18 Credits)**
- BIBL 211 Greek I (3)
- BIBL 212 Greek II (3)
- BIBL 313 Greek III (3)
- BIBL 341 Hebrew I (3)
- BIBL 342 Hebrew II (3)
3 Credits of BIBL 495- Independent Study (1-3)

**Missions Minor (20 Credits)**
- RELG 225 - Foundations of Missions (3)
- RELG 350 - World Religions (3)
- RELP 240 - Personal Witnessing (2, 3)
- RELT 250 - Personal Spirituality & Faith (3)

Choose one of the following courses:
- ANTH 124 - Intro to Anthropology Credits: 3
- ANTH 200 - Cultural Anthropology Credits: 3

Choose remaining cr. from the following courses:
- BSAD 365 – Inter. Environment of Business (3)
- BSAD 450 - Multicultural Business Relations (3)
- EDTE 165 - Introduction to Teaching (4)
- ENGL 465 - TESOL Methods (2)
- FDNT 469 - International Nutrition (2,3)
- FREN 275 - Intermediate French (4)
- GEOG 260 - Cultural Geography (3)
- RELP 350 - Evangelism (3)
- SOCI 431 - Needs Assess&Capacity Mapping (3)
- SPAN 275 - Intermediate Spanish (4)

**Religion Minor (20 Credits)**
- 15 credits from RELB, RELG, RELP, and RELT.
- 5 credits from any course in the department subject to consultation with your academic advisor.
- 6 of the 20 credits must be from upper-division classes.

**Secondary Certification Option (33-34 Credits)**
- RELB 111 Intro to the Old Testament (3)
- RELB 112 Intro to the New Testament (3)
- RELB 245 Hermeneutics (3)
- RELB 210 Jesus in His Time and Ours (3)
- RELB 406 Studies in Daniel & Revelation (3)
- RELT 100 God and Human Life (3)
- RELT 326 Theology II (3)
- RELH 400 SDA Hist. & Prophetic Heritage (3)

Choose one course from the following:
- RELT 250 Personal Spirituality and Faith (3)
- RELT 340 Religion & Ethics (3)
- RELT 440 Fund. of Spirit. & Eth. in Health. (3)

Choose two courses from the following:
- RELT 250 Personal Spirituality and Faith (3)
- RELT 340 Religion & Ethics (3)

*For advising and additional secondary education requirements, please contact the Department of Teaching, Learning, and Curriculum.

**Certificate in Ministry, Spanish (18 Credits)**
- RELB 111 - Intro to the Old Testament (3)
- RELB 112 - Intro to the New Testament (3)
- RELB 210 - Jesus in His Time and Ours (3)
- RELB 245 - Hermeneutics (3)

3 credits of:
- RELP 335 Foundations of Youth Ministry (3)
- RELT 440 Fund. of Spirit. & Eth. in Health. (3)

**Mission and Global Awareness Certificate (17-18 Credits)**

RELG 350 - World Religions (3)
RELB 240 - Personal Witnessing (2,3)
RELT 250 - Personal Spirituality and Faith (3)

Choose one of the following courses:
- ANTH 124 - Introduction to Anthropology (3)
- ANTH 200 - Cultural Anthropology (3)

Choose one of the following courses:
- RELB 225 - Foundations of Missions (3)

Choose remaining credits from the following courses:
- BSAD 365 - International Environment of Business Credits: 3
- BSAD 450 - Multicultural Business Relations Credits: 3
- EDTE 165 - Introduction to Teaching Credits: 4
- EDTE 175 - Philosophy of Adventist Education Credits: 1 (for off-campus students)
- ENGL 465 - TESOL Methods Credits: 2
- FDNT 469 - International Nutrition Credits: 2,3
- FREN 275 - Intermediate French Credits: 4
- RELP 335 Foundations of Youth Ministry (3)
- RELT 440 Fund. of Spirit. & Eth. in Health. (3)
- SPAN 275 - Intermediate Spanish Credits: 4
# Andrews Core Experience

**General Education Package (ACE)**

Total = 43 credits

**Religion (12 Credits)**
- God and Human Life RELT 100 or RELB 210 Jesus (3) or RELT, RELP, RELG, or RELB (9)

**Communication (3 credits)**: COMM 104

**Writing (3 credits)** - *(first year courses)* ENGL 115 or ENGL 117

**History (3 credits)**
- HIST 110 Worldviews, Cultures, and Gods (3)

**Arts and Humanities (6 credits)**
- Theory: One or two courses from (3 to 6):
  - ARTH 220 or ENGL 255 or MUHL 214 or MUHL 250 or PHIL 224

  If you take only one theory course, the remaining credits come from Studio Art, ensemble and/or applied Music or INEN 221

**Natural Sciences including lab (4 credits) take one:**
- BIOL 100 or BIOL 110, CHEM 100, or PHYS 110

**Mathematics (3-4 credits)**
- MATH 145 or above

**Social Sciences (3 credits) take one:**
- ANTH 200, BHSC 225, ECON 208, GBST 101, PLSC 104, PSYC 101, SOCI 119

**Wellness (3) HLED 135**

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**Seminary Prerequisite Package**

*(the theology degree fulfills these prerequisites)*

- RELP 485 Pastoral Ministry & Church Policy (2)
- RELP 330 Biblical Preaching (2)
- RELP 240 Personal Evangelistic Ministry (2)
- RELH 316, 317 Church History to 1500; Church History 1500-Present (4)
- RELH 400 Adventist Heritage (4)
- RELB 112 Intro to New Testament (2)
- RELB 406 Daniel and Revelation (2)
- RELB 111 Intro to Old Testament (2)
- RELB 112 Pentateuch (2)
- RELB 274/474 Old Testament Prophets (3)
- RELT 325 Christian Theology I (3)
- RELT 326 Christian Theology II (3)

Intermediate Greek Proficiency Test Score > 75%
Intermediate Hebrew Proficiency Test Score > 75%
Basic Bible Proficiency Test
Church Policy Exam
Pastoral Practicum Program

The Department of Religion and Biblical Languages is fully committed to providing our students with a holistic ministry model, which will enable them to contribute to the development of family, community and church, through training in both the theoretical knowledge and the practical application of a sound, Bible-based Christianity.

The completion of the practicum program is compulsory for all theology majors, as this is the avenue through which students will practice and assimilate the seven core qualities which form the foundation of the pastoral profession, as outlined by the Ministerial Association of the North American Division of Seventh-day Adventists.

For additional information, speak with Dr. Palmer, the Director of Practicum Studies.
Religion Forum
All majors in Religion & Theology are required to attend the weekly Religion Forum on Tuesdays from 11:30 - 12:20 in the Newbold Auditorium in Buller Hall. The Forum provides worship and fellowship, departmental information, training in various aspects of ministry and lectures on a range of topics of interest for any university student. Religion Forum is a zero credit practicum class; registration and attendance is required for every theology and religion major each semester. Because ministry involvement is part of religion education, Religion Forum also includes a ministry requirement or service hours each semester.

Barnabas Internship
Each summer many religion and theology students work as interns in a local church or conference. This practical ministry experience helps students gain practical ministry skills while they also earn a scholarship for the following school year. For more information, ask Dr. Palmer early in spring semester.

In-Depth Preaching
Through in-DEPTH, we have scheduled to send students to preach in churches in Michigan, Indiana, and Illinois. Currently, the closest church in our calendar is located in Berrien, farthest is northern Illinois. More than 35 congregations have received student preachers at least once through in-DEPTH.

Theta Alpha Kappa (TAK):
This is the national honor society open to Theology and Religion majors with a 3.50 GPA in their major and 3.0 GPA overall. Dr. Wells is the TAK sponsor.

The Andrews Ministerial Association (AMA)
The AMA is the club for all theology and religion majors. The club is active in ministry on campus and in the community. Since you are a member and will have club dues charged to your account, get involved and join the many activities for service, worship, and fellowship.
MISSION OPPORTUNITIES

HONDURAS MISSION TRIP
CHRISTMAS BREAK
Contact Dr. Russell: glenn@andrews.edu
Sponsored by Pioneer Memorial Church

MIDDLE EAST
SPRING BREAK - MISSION TRIP
Lebanon - March 16-27, 2023

The opportunity to change a life... Perhaps your own!

Religion/Theology credit available
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Department of Religion
Egypt, Turkey, Mt. Ararat, & Armenia

Tour Includes

- Enchanting Egypt
  - Cairo Giza Pyramids, New Grand Egyptian Museum, Saqqara, Memphis, Hatshepsut, Valley of the Kings, Ramesseum, Luxor, Karnack Temples, Climb Mount Sinai, Swimming in Sharm El-Shaikh, St. Mark Cathedral in Alexandria and more.

- Amazing Western and Eastern Turkey
  - Hagia Sophia and Sultan Ahmet Mosque and more in Constantinople-Istanbul, the 7 Churches of Revelation, Thermal Water of Pamukkale, Mount Ararat-the land of Noah, Kars, Ani-the City of Thousand Churches, Cappadocia, Mardin, Gobekli Tepe, Haran.

- Historic First Christian Kingdom of Armenia
  - Yerevan, Khor Virap, Ancient Eastern Christian Places

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- HIST 110—Worldviews, Cultures, and Gods
- BIOL 100—Human Biology
- RELG 350—World Religions
- RELT 250—Personal Spirituality and Faith
- RELG 360—Topics: Biblical Backgrounds
- RELB 210—Jesus in His Time and Ours

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HIST 110 will count for HIST 117 or 118. RELG 360 will count for RELB 111 or 112.
“The department is a warm, inviting environment where I have learned to grow both academically and spiritually.”

Frentzen Pakpahan

“This is a phenomenal department that encourages and invigorates growth in the Word and in ministry.”

Nancy Kardos-Moldovan

“It is more than just caring professors and friends, it is like a family that have walked with me every step of the way.”

Luis Gomez

“In the Department of Religion I gained knowledge and skills essential for ministry. I’m thankful for the friends and professors as well.”

Jeanmark A’Kessler

ordained pastor - Wisconsin Conference

“Here in the Religion Department I’ve gawn a lot in my knowledge of scripture and my walk with God. And we’ve had a lot of fun together too.”

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