



## MDIV HYBRID COURSE DELIVERY OPTION: Additional Information

Thanks for your interest in the MDiv Hybrid program! Here are a few things you'll need to know about the delivery option as you decide if it's right for you.

- I. You will be doing the same degree as everyone else. We simply open up more delivery methods to you, if you are not an on-campus student.
  - A. These methods include:
    1. Online Courses
    2. One-week intensives taught around the Division (Each Union has a site – these are the Master in Pastoral Ministry courses)
    3. One- month intensive courses offered each summer on campus at Andrews University. (There are three terms in the summer from which you may choose)
    4. Full-semester courses (You will need at least one or two full terms in order to take courses offered at no other time.)
- II. You can either begin or finish your MDiv through the hybrid option, or work your way through the entire program utilizing the hybrid delivery method (or “Campus”). As this is a very new option, it is evolving and changing right now, as we work out details with the various departments involved across campus. Finances: As of the 2017-18 academic year, our distance (hybrid) students pay the summer fee (currently \$2,380.00), plus a half-price general fee (currently \$124 per semester) and \$128 per credit for any online courses chosen. This fee pays for up to 12 credits – to be spread out through the entire academic year (May to April). If you enter the program in the fall, then you have only fall and spring to use the credits. If you enter in the spring, you must use the 12 credits or lose the balance.
- III. These fees will change in fall semester to the corresponding pricing for the 2018/19 academic year. Enrolling in the summer term sets the fee at this year's price. (We suggest you take advantage of this special price!)
- IV. When you enroll in the package, you pay the entire tuition fee up-front in your first semester (along with the appropriate general/online fees), then in subsequent semesters, you pay only for the general fee and/or online fees.
- V. If you qualify for financial aid or loans, you must take at least five credits in your first semester to be able to use that help.
- VI. If you are sponsored, your conference may assist you in this tuition. If they agree to do so, it benefits them in several ways:
  - A. You are able to stay in your church doing the work they hired you to do
  - B. You can begin your MDiv simultaneously – learning how to do your work better
  - C. Your conference doesn't have to pay a stipend to support you on campus – since you are still working in your district!
  - D. If you are married, you don't have to uproot your family to come to Andrews right away. You may take a month or two in the summer to catch a few courses, but that can be a fun getaway for your family instead of a permanent move.

VII. If you wish to simply take a year of classes prior to coming to Andrews, you can do the 12 or even 24 credits in that year (just purchase a second set of 12 credits). If you find that the hybrid process really works for you, you may wish to delay your move here and keep progressing through the available courses. Once you move on campus full-time, you'll revert to the normal MDiv fee, and be able to take up to 12 credits in summer, and up to 16 credits in the fall and spring semesters. Having said that – how long it takes to get through the MDiv program will depend on how fast or slow you go. Taking 12 credits a year will take a lot longer than taking 40+ credits per year..

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