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The InMinistry MDiv option allows students to begin work on a Master of Divinity while remaining in ministry. This two-year pre-campus delivery emphasizes a cohort-based, thematic, and contextualized approach to learning and requires having a trained mentor.

The InMinistry course load is delivered through two-week intensives at various NAD sites, plus one internet-based course per year. Students electing the InMinistry delivery complete 24 semester credits prior to their arrival on campus. They can expect their total MDiv program to take about 3½ years.

Application, program cost, and delivery schedule information is available through the InMinistry Center office, (269) 471-3514. Program acceptance must be complete prior to Orientation. Email inministry@andrews.edu or visit www.inministry.info.

C a e e E a a

MDiv students who can demonstrate adequate preparation gained through study and/or reading prior to entering the MDiv program may petition to challenge the following courses: CHIS570, CHMN545, CHMN550, GSEM530, and GSEM532.

Students requesting to write a challenge exam should meet the department's schedule and requirements for taking the exam. The fee is \$50 (see p. 60).

The challenge examination for each course is prepared, administered, and graded by the faculty member(s) teaching the course(s) in the Seminary. Students who have received permission to sit for (a) challenge examination(s) shall take the individual course examination(s) at prescribed times. The passing grade for a challenge examination is B-. Challenge examinations do not earn credit. Challenge exams may not be repeated. Students who pass shall receive the corresponding number of elective credits.

A e a f E a

Students enrolled in the MDiv program may choose from a number of 12-credit emphases as part of their 96-credit curriculum. More details may be obtained from each department regarding these areas of emphasis. Tuition is charged for courses taken outside of the Seminary. This option may not be available for students who have a number of deficiencies to complete.

Christian Ministry

African American Ministry, Campus Spiritual Leadership, Chaplaincy, Church Growth and Evangelism, Church Leadership, Family Life Education, Pastoral Counseling, Preaching, Youth Ministry.

Church History

Adventist Studies, General Church History, Reformation.

New Testament

Biblical Languages, New Testament, New Testament Issues.

Old Testament

Archaeology and History of Antiquity, Biblical Languages, Jewish Studies, Old Testament.

Theology and Christian Philosophy

Christian Ethics, Historical Theology, Systematic Theology and Christian Philosophy.

World Mission

Mission Studies.

T e O

Students electing the thesis option should plan to take more than seven semesters to complete the program.

The thesis counts as 8 of the general elective credits allowed for the MDiv degree. Students should register for 2 or more thesis credits per term for at least two semesters. Therefore, initial registration for a thesis must be no later than two semesters prior to graduation.

Students electing to write an MDiv thesis must apply to the director of the program and must (1) demonstrate superior scholarship over a minimum of two consecutive semesters, normally with a GPA of 3.50 or above; (2) take Research Methods before the thesis is started; and (3) submit a paper of superior quality before permission is granted by the director to begin writing the thesis.

The student is guided in thesis preparation by a three-member committee appointed by the director in consultation with the student and department chair in which the subject of the thesis is chosen. The chair of this committee serves as the thesis adviser.

The format of the thesis must conform strictly to the *Andrews University Standards for Written Work*. Students are strongly urged to consult the dissertation secretary before formatting and printing a thesis.

At least six weeks before graduation, the committee-approved draft of the thesis should be submitted to the dissertation secretary. After appropriate changes have been made, the corrected copy should be submitted at least four weeks before graduation to the dissertation secretary for approval. Copying on non-acid paper should be completed at least two weeks before graduation. Three copies of the thesis, including a 150-word abstract and an approval sheet, must be submitted to the dissertation secretary. The abstract should contain a short statement of the problem examined, a brief exposition of methods and procedures, and a condensed summary of the findings.

Students obtain a Thesis Completion Form from the dissertation secretary. They must take the form to the Academic Records Office no later than noon on Friday, a week preceding graduation. A fee is charged by the university for binding the three copies of the thesis, two of which are deposited in the library and one in the department in which the student earns the degree.

Students who do not adhere strictly to the deadlines noted above will have their graduation postponed.

Thesis candidates must pass an oral examination no later than two weeks before graduation. The candidate is expected to demonstrate mastery of the thesis topic.

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Admission Requirements

Admission to the MA in Pastoral Ministry is based on the following requirements in addition to the general admission requirements for all graduate students (pp. 44–46) and the general Seminary admission requirements. Applicants must also complete and return the Sixteen Personality Factor Questionnaire as directed.

Ministerial Applicants: English/Hispanic

- Be at least 35 years of age.
- Provide evidence of successful ministerial experience during the past five years.

Lay Leader Applicants

- Demonstrate excellent academic skills,
- Provide evidence of extensive, active, and successful ministry in service areas such as Sabbath school teacher, youth leader, elder, deacon, etc. during the past five years,
- Recommended by their local church pastor and local conference leadership.

Prerequisites

The MA in Pastoral Ministry degree is awarded upon completion of a minimum of 48 credits of formal course work.

1. Course work in North America is offered off campus twice annually in one- and two-week intensives, normally at Adventist educational institutions. Students should expect pre- and post-class assignments as part of the total academic requirements of each course. The intensives generate the equivalent of 6–12 credits.
2. Prospective students may take up to 3 classes (9 credits) before being formally accepted into the MA in Pastoral Ministry program.
3. Course work should be completed within 10 years of beginning the program.
Students failing to maintain a minimum GPA of 2.50 are placed on probation. Any student remaining on probation for the equivalent of two years (maximum of 18 credits) must withdraw from the program.

A maximum of 8 credits may be transferred from another con-

ferred degree upon approval by the dean.

Elective Courses

Biblical Studies	12
Old Testament (6)	
One course in Theology	
Choose one: OTST570; OTST607; GSEM530; OTST510	
New Testament (6)	
One course in Theology	
One course in Exegesis	
Theology and Christian Philosophy	9
Two courses in Theology	
One course in Ethics	
Christian Ministry and/or Religious Education	12
Courses selected in at least two areas	
Church History	6
CHIS674	
One elective	

Mission Electives	3
TOTAL CREDITS for the MA Degree	48

Hispanic MA Elective Courses

Biblical Studies	12
Old Testament (6)	
One course in Theology	
One course in Exegesis	
New Testament (6)	
One course in Theology	
One course in Exegesis	
Theology	9
Two courses in Theology	
One course in Ethics	
Christian Ministry	12
Four courses such as: CHMN505 (Hispanic), 514 (Hispanic), CHMN527 (Hispanic), 544 (Hispanic), 555 (Hispanic), 615 (Hispanic)	
One of the following courses in Culture: CHMN525, 585	
Church History	6
CHIS567, 674	
Mission Electives	3
TOTAL CREDITS for the MA Degree	48

Non-Native Speaker Courses

Biblical Studies	12
Old Testament (6)	
One course in Theology	
Choose one: OTST510; OTST570; OTST607; GSEM530;	
New Testament (6)	
One course in Theology	
One course in Exegesis	
Theology and Christian Philosophy	8
One course in Ethics	
Three additional courses in THST	
Christian Ministry	12
Courses selected in at least two areas: Evangelism and Church Growth Leadership and Administration Pastoral Care and Counseling Preaching and Worship	
Church History	4

