

InMinistry Option

The Ministry Option program is complete prior to Orientation. E-mail

related to counseling approaches, person-in-environment, social and economic justice, human rights and global perspectives from a Christian worldview.

The program is designed to give students an integrated approach to both theology and social work. Students can choose either a dual degree or an emphasis in either Social Work or Christian Ministry.

Program Options:

1. **D D** In this option, students are able to complete both the MDiv and the MSW in four years. Both degrees are conferred by Andrews University. Completion of the dual degree requires strict adherence to course sequence and curriculum design. The program will require students to take courses in summer sessions. The four-year completion plan also assumes that the student has satisfactorily completed one of the biblical language requirements, and has a bachelor's degree in theology or religion. The four-year plan is designed to take Track 1 students 11 semesters and Track 2 students 12 semesters.
2. **c E** In this option, MDiv students choose 12 hours of elective credit in social work courses. Students may choose any master's-level social work course, either foundation or elective that would best equip them for pastoral ministry. These courses can fulfill the general elective requirement for Track I MDiv students.
3. **C E** There are two Christian Ministry emphases offered. The first is the emphasis in Pastoral Care. Eight elective credits can be taken from the following courses: CHMN503 (Marriage, Family & Interpersonal Relationships), CHMN508 (Tools for the Pastor's Spouse), CHMN526 (Conflict Management in the Church), CHMN540 (Church and Urban Community), or CHMN553 (The Church and Social Issues). The second emphasis is in Youth Ministry. Eight elective credits can be taken from the following courses: CHMN619 (Religious Experience in Adolescence), CHMN626 (Ministry to At-Risk Youth), CHMN636 (Seminar in Youth Ministry) or CHMN657 (Counseling Youth and Young Adults).

Requirements for Admission

Applicants for the MDiv/MSW dual degree program typically will have received a bachelor's degree (BA, BS, BSW) from a four-year college or university accredited by one of the nationally recognized accrediting agencies in the United States, or hold an equivalent educational credential from another country.

Application must be made separately to both the Seventh-day Adventist Theological Seminary and the Department of Social Work. Acceptance into one of the programs does not guarantee acceptance into the other.

Applicants must meet the admissions requirements for each program, including all required prerequisites for each degree program.

- D** Track 1 MDiv students must fulfill one of the biblical language requirements before being granted regular admission into the dual program.
 - 1) Applicants to the social work program must complete the Graduate Record Exam prior to admission into the program;
 - 2) Students must maintain a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0 in social work program courses;
 - 3) No grade of D or F (or U) may count toward the MSW degree.

Credits for Each Program

D c Graduation requirements consist of the satisfactory completion of 113 semester credits with an overall grade point average of C (2.5) or better. Sixty-eight credits are MDiv credits, 31.5 credits are social work credits, and 13.5 credits are shared between the two curricula in lieu of MDiv electives.

c : Graduation requirements consist of satisfactory completion of 140 semester hours with an overall grade point average of C (2.5) or better. Ninety-five credits are MDiv credits, 31.5 credits are Social Work credits, and 13.5 credits are shared between the two curricula.

MDiv students are required to complete 45 core credit hours for the two-year regular MSW program. Due to the strict requirements of the Council on Social Work Education's accrediting mandates, these core courses must all be taught or co-taught within the department by faculty holding an MSW degree. However, these courses could be co-taught with faculty from the seminary. Occasionally, a student who has already earned a BSW from an accredited program may apply to this

SOWK502 Foundations of Practice II (4)
SOWK566 Social Work Research (3)
SOWK550 Social Policy (3)
CHMN543