

CREDIT THROUGH LEARNING IN PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Students may be eligible for up to 6 credits approved by the dean for learning in professional experience based on the criteria listed under the MA in Pastoral Ministry program, p. 302.

ELECTIVE COURSES

Students may select courses approved for academic graduate degrees from any of the Andrews University schools, provided there is a correlation with the chosen field of youth ministry. Students can take up to 6 credits in CHMN690.

THESIS OPTION

Students may elect to write a Master of Arts thesis (GSEM697) for a total of 6 credits. Under this option, the student must successfully defend the thesis. See instructions under the MDiv Thesis Option, p. 302. Students choosing the thesis option must take GSEM620 before beginning work on the thesis.

CERTIFICATION FOR TEACHING

Students who plan to teach religion in a Seventh-day Adventist academy or in a secondary school are urged to consult as early in the program as possible with the director of the MA program and the university certification officer regarding qualifying for Adventist teaching credentials. See pp. 264–265 for more information about recommended methods courses in Bible teaching designed to meet the certification

Church History	2
New Testament Studies	2
Old Testament Studies	2
Theological Studies	2
E.G. White Writings	2
Electives in religion*	<u>12</u>
Total prerequisite credits	22

*For the emphasis in Jewish and Muslim Faiths, Church History is to be replaced with one of the following courses: Jewish History, Arabic History, Introduction to Modern Hebrew, or Modern Dialectal Arabic. An elective course must be World Religions.

Language Prerequisites. Students meet the language prerequisites for the various areas of emphasis either by completing the courses listed below ~~list of language courses~~

Intertestamental (Jewish) Studies. NTST525, 635, 684 or 689.

Remaining courses to complete the 16 credits must be chosen from NTST615, 618, 626, 680, 690, 696, OTST614, 625, 626, 627, 654, 659, 690.

Jewish and Muslim Faiths. OTST627. A course is to be chosen from each of the following groups: Apologetics/comparative religion—MSSN530, 650, 660, or CHMN587; History—ANTH478, CHIS630, or HIST450; Language/literature—OTST626, 654, 658, or NTST626; Theology/Ethics—HIST450, OTST620, or THST644.

Mission Studies. MSSN610 or 676. Remaining courses to complete the 16 credits must be chosen from MSSN.

New Testament Studies. Students who choose a major or minor in New Testament Studies must demonstrate proficiency in intermediate Greek either by passing the language-proficiency examination or by taking the Intermediate Greek course at Andrews University and earning a grade of B or above.

Old Testament Studies. OTST625; two courses in Exegesis; a course in Archaeology and History of Antiquity. Remaining courses to complete the 16 credits must be chosen from OTST courses or GSEM670 or 530.

Theological Studies. Regardless of which sub-section of theological studies is selected for emphasis—Systematic Theology, Historical Theology, or Philosophy and Ethics—the following courses are required: THST550, 619, and 624 or 628. Remaining courses to complete the 16 credits must be chosen from THST courses or GSEM534 or 530.

Electives. A student may select courses approved for academic graduate degrees provided there is a correlation with the student's chosen area of study.

PROGRAMS OFFERED AT AFFILIATION AND EXTENSION SITES

Depending on the availability of adequate research library facilities and qualified teaching staff, an affiliated school may be authorized by the seminary faculty to offer some or all of the areas of emphasis listed above with the research orientation or the general academic orientation. Contact the director of the MA program for details on the Affiliation and Extension Programs.

Biblical-Theological Studies. This area of emphasis is available only with the general academic orientation at Affiliation and Extension Centers. In addition to the degree requirements outlined above, the following are required: two NTST courses, two OTST courses, two THST courses, a course from either CHIS or MSSN. Remaining courses to complete the 16 credits must be