

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 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.

or elective that would best equip them for pastoral ministry. These courses can fulfill the general elective requirement for Track I MDiv students.

- Pastoral Care Emphasis: In this option, MDiv students choose eight elective credits from the following courses: CHMN (Marriage, Family & Interpersonal Relationships), CHMN (Tools for the Pastor's Spouse), CHMN (Conflict Management in the Church), CHMN (Church and Urban Community), or CHMN (The Church and Social Issues).
- Discipleship and Religious Education Emphasis: In this option, MDiv students choose eight elective credits from the following courses: DSRE (Religious Experience in

## MASTER OF DIVINITY/MASTER OF SOCIAL WORK DUAL DEGREE PROGRAM

Andrews University has formed a collaborative between the Seventh-day Adventist Theological Seminary and the Department of Social Work in the College of Arts & Sciences to prepare students for service in occupations where social work and the pastoral mission of the church intersect.

The objectives of this program are to prepare students for various forms of ministry in which clinical and administrative skills in social work and theology are needed; to enable students to integrate both theological and social work knowledge, values and skills into a multifaceted approach to Christian service, thereby enhancing their usefulness as instruments of the Holy Spirit; and to sensitize students to nontraditional ministry opportunities by exposing them to theories and practice skills 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

- Dual Degree: In this option, students are able to complete both the MDiv and the MSW in four years. Both degrees are conferred by Andrews University. 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 students semesters and Track students semesters.
- Social Work Emphasis: In this option, MDiv students choose hours of elective credit in social work courses. Students may choose any master's-level social work course, either foundation

Occasionally, a student who has already earned a BSW from an accredited program may apply to this program. In this case, the student would be placed in the Advanced Standing program, and take either credits (Advanced Standing) or credits (Advanced Standing Plus). Students with an undergraduate GPA of . or higher are eligible to complete the Advanced Standing Program while those with a lower GPA must complete the Advanced Standing Plus requirements.

Since both the MDiv and MSW programs reduce total credits in order to reduce costs and achieve a more streamlined and efficient program, both degrees must be received simultaneously in order to fulfill the requirements of either degree. Although MDiv students can transfer electives into the MSW program, they can only receive a tuition reduction if they are simultaneously enrolled in the MDiv Program.

Track Dual Degree Course Plan (Shared Curriculum)

Year : DSRE Foundations of Biblical Spirituality ( )  
 GSEM Issues in Origins ( )  
 GSEM Revelation, Inspiration and Hermeneutics ( )  
 THST Doctrine of Salvation ( )  
 CHMN Church Growth and the Equipping Pastor ( )  
 CHMN Field Evangelistic Preaching ( )  
 GSEM Contemporary Adventist Theological Issues ( )  
 OTST (Archaeology) ( )  
 CHMN Holistic Small Groups ( ) or  
 CHMN Mobilizing Laity ( )  
 GSEM Issues in Ellen G. White Studies ( )

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THST Christian Theology I ( )  
CHIS Development of SDA Theology ( )

Year : CHMN Christian Leadership in a Changing World ( )