

Ministry Studies Major (34 credit hours)

2024-2025

The major in Ministry Studies is an online major that is designed for either adult undergraduates (25+) or traditional age students who are participants in formal residency-based partnerships. The major offers courses in biblical, theological, ethical, historical, and practical areas of ministry preparation and theological education. It will enable students to develop the foundational skills and knowledge needed for vocations in church ministry and other ministry contexts. The BA degree with a major in Ministry Studies requires the completion of the university's Liberal Arts Core Requirements, which adult education students may take online as part of the total 120 credit hours that are required for the BA degree.

Introductory Courses (9 hrs.):

- BIBL 2000 Introduction to the Bible (3) (offered semesters 1 and 2 in 2024-2025)
- CMIN 2000 Introduction to Christian Ministry (3) (offered semester 1 in 2024-2025)
- RLGN 1100 Introduction to Spiritual Formation (3) (offered semester 1 in 2024-2025)

Experiential Ministry and Theology courses (10 hrs.):

- CMIN 2810 Ministry Exploration (1) (offered semesters 1 and 2 in 2024-2025)
- CMIN 4810 Internship (3) (offered semesters 1 and 2 in 2024-2025)
- RLGN 3040 Introduction to Christian Theology (3) (not on 2024-2025 schedule)
- CMIN 4250 Theology in a Ministry Context (3) (offered semester 2 in 2024-2025)

One course from EACH of the following categories (15 hrs.):

Biblical Studies (3 hrs.)

- BIBL 2050 Methods of Biblical Exegesis (3) (not on 2024-2025 schedule)
- BIBL 2150 Theological Interpretation of the Bible (3) (not on 2024-2025 schedule)
- RLGN 2150 Hermeneutics (3) (not on 2024-2025 schedule)

• Church History (3 hrs.)

- HIST/RLGN 3060: History of Christianity (3) (not on 2024-2025 schedule)
- HIST/RLGN 3420: American Religious History (3) (not on 2024-2025 schedule)
- RLGN 3300: Beginnings of Christianity (3) (not on 2024-2025 schedule)

• Christian Ethics (3 hrs.)

- RLGN 2130 Introduction to Christian Ethics (3) (offered semester 1 in 2024-2025)
- RLGN 3120 Current Issues in Christian Ethics (3) (offered semester 2 in 2024-2025)

Educational Ministry (3 hrs.)

- CMIN 2260: Educational Ministry with Youth (3)
- CMIN 3260: Leading, Teaching, and Discipling Youth (3) (offered semester 1 in 2024-2025)
- CMIN 3910: Ministry Seminar (3) (not on 2024-2025 schedule)

• Practices of Ministry (3 hrs.)

- CMIN 2270: Faith and Worship (3) (not on 2024-2025 schedule)
- CMIN 3050: Homiletics (3) (offered semesters 1 and 2 in 2024-2025)
- CMIN 3080: Pastoral Care and Counseling (3) (not on 2024-2025 schedule)



Ministry Studies Major 4 Year Suggested Course Sequence. (NOTE: All students must complete 120 total credit hours to graduate from Anderson University.)

SEMESTER 1		SEMESTER 2	
BIBL 2000	3 Hours	RLGN 1100	3 Hours
CMIN 2000	3 Hours	CMIN 2810	1 Hour
ENGL 1100/ENGL 1110	3-4 Hours	COMM 1000	3 Hours
LART 1020	3 Hours	ENGL 1120	3 Hours
Additional Classes	3 Hours	Additional Classes	3 Hours
Additional Classes	3 Hours	Additional Classes	3 Hours

SEMESTER 3		SEMESTER 4	
Biblical Studies Course	3 Hours	RLGN 3040	3 Hours
Additional Classes	3 Hours	Church History Course	3 Hours
Additional Classes	3 Hours	Additional Classes	3 Hours
Additional Classes	3-6 Hours	Additional Classes	4 Hours

SEMESTER 5		SEMESTER 6	
Christian Ethics Course	3 Hours	CMIN 4810 Internship	1-4 Hours
Additional Classes	3 Hours	Educational Ministry Course	3 Hours
Additional Classes	3 Hours	Additional Classes	3 Hours

		SEMESTER 8	
CMIN 4250	3 Hours	Practices of Ministry Course	3 Hours
Additional Classes	3 Hours	Additional Classes	3 Hours
Additional Classes	3 Hours	Additional Class	3 Hours
Additional Class	3-6 Hours	Additional Class	3 Hours

Ministry Studies Major 3 Year Suggested Course Sequence (including summers). (NOTE: All students must complete 120 total credit hours to graduate from Anderson University.)

SEMESTER 1		SEMESTER 2	
BIBL 2000	3 Hours	RLGN 1100	3 Hours
CMIN 2000	3 Hours	CMIN 2810	1 Hour
ENGL 1100/ENGL 1110	3-4 Hours	RLGN 2130	3 Hours
LART 1050	1 Hour	COMM 1000	3 Hours
Additional Class	3 Hours	ENGL 1120	3 Hours
Additional Class	3 Hours	Additional Class	3 Hours

SEMESTER 3		SEMESTER 4	
Biblical Studies Course	3 Hours	Christian Ethics Course	3 Hours
Church History Course	3 Hours	Practice of Ministry Course	3 Hours
Additional Classes	3 Hours	Additional Classes	3 Hours
Additional Classes	3-6 Hours	Additional Classes	3-6 Hours



Academic Advising

SEMESTER 5		SEMESTER 6	
Additional Classes	2 Hours	Educational Ministry Course	3 Hours
Additional Classes	3-6 Hours	RLGN 3040	3 Hours
Additional Classes	3 Hours	Additional Classes	3 Hours
Additional Class	3 Hours	Additional Classes	3 Hours

		SEMESTER 8	
CMIN 4250	3 Hours	CMIIN 4810 internship	1-4 Hours
Additional Classes	3 Hours	Electives	9 Hours
Electives	9 Hours	Additional Classes	3 Hours