Master of Arts in Specialized Ministries

Our non-denominational, online Master's in Specialized Ministries program is ideal for working or aspiring youth ministers who are called to lead others through the doctrines of the Christian faith.

Credit Awarded From
• Prior College
• Military
• Work/Life Experience
• Exams (CLEP, DANTES)

Flexibility
Six-week Online classes

Prepare To Lead
As pastors in local churches

About Southwestern College

Southwestern College Professional Studies specializes in educating busy working adults, members of the military and individuals looking for a flexible way to earn a degree.

Established in 1885, we are a private, not-for-profit college affiliated with the United Methodist Church. SC is regionally accredited by the Higher Learning Commission.

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Core Major Requirements

- SMIN501  Introduction to Ministry
- SMIN503  Studies of the Old Testament
- SMIN505  Studies of the New Testament
- SMIN507  Theology
- SMIN509  Survey of Church History
- SMIN596  Practicum in Specialized Ministry Part I
- SMIN597  Practicum in Specialized Ministry Part II

Emphasis in Youth & Adult Ministry

- SMIN530  Theology of Youth Ministry
- SMIN531  Ethical Issues in Youth Ministry
- SMIN532  Faith & Formation in Developing Adults
- SMIN533  Program Design & Development in the Local Church
- LEAD570  Leadership for the Future

Program Description

The Master of Arts in specialized ministries program offers a robust theological education that is oriented to the opportunities, concerns, and challenges involved in the practice of ministry. Learners will engage traditional theological subjects like the interpretation of scripture or systematic theology with a primary objective to apply that theological learning to the practice of ministry. Instructors with both strong academic pedigrees and years of practical ministry experience help provide the needed balance in our classes. Programs require practicums providing ministry experience with guided theological reflection. This nondenominational, Wesleyan online program is ideal for working or aspiring ministers who are called to lead others in various ministry settings. The program uses non-traditional formats that are well adapted to the needs of contemporary students. Students must earn a grade of “C” or better in each course required for the program and maintain a 2.50 GPA in the program.

Graduation Requirements

1. Complete the specific requirements of the master’s program
2. Have an overall grade point average of 3.0, with no grade below a C (2.0)
3. Complete a minimum of 30 credit hours

Admission Process

1. Complete graduate application forms
2. Provide current resume
3. Submit two professional letters of recommendation (at least one from a current or former employer)
4. Turn in one-page personal essay
5. Submit unofficial transcript from a bachelor’s degree-granting institution. Official transcripts must be received within 8 weeks following the start of class.

All degree requirements are subject to change. Please see Southwestern College Professional Studies Catalog. All course descriptions can be found online at ps.sckans.edu.