

2008-2009 CURRICULUM CHECK SHEET is a guide to the requirements of this major. **It is NOT necessary to take these courses in the order given.** Please consult the online Bulletin for specific details (<http://www.lasierra.edu/academics/bulletin>).

		FALL	WINTER	SPRING	
FIRST YEAR	* Jesus and the Gospels (RELB 104)(4 units)	_____	_____	_____	
	* Sacred Texts:The Hebrew Scriptures (RELB 206)(4 units)	_____	_____	_____	
	* Sacred Texts:The Christian Scriptures (RELB 207)(4 units)	_____	_____	_____	
	* Introduction to Ministry I, II (RELP 101, 102)(2 units)	_____	_____	_____	
	+ General Psychology (PSYC 104 OR PSYC 105)(4 units)	_____	_____	_____	
	First Year Seminar (UNST 101/100)(2-6 units)	_____	_____	_____	
	College Writing (ENGL 111, 112, 113)(9 units)	_____	_____	_____	
	Math Foundational Studies requirement (4 units)	_____	_____	_____	
	Lifetime Fitness (PEAC 120)(2 units)	_____	_____	_____	
	Theme IA: Understanding Human Beings OR Theme IB: National and Global Citizenship (4 units)	_____	_____	_____	
	Theme IC: Globalization, Identity & Citizenship: Choose 4 units from SSCI 104, 105, 106, 107	_____	_____	_____	
	Electives	_____	_____	_____	
	SECOND YEAR	* Introduction to Religious Studies (RELG 235)(4 units)	_____	_____	_____
		* Religious Faith & Life (RELG 267)(4 units)	_____	_____	_____
* World Religions (RELG 237)(4 units)		_____	_____	_____	
* Ellen G. White and the Church (RELH 254)(4 units)		_____	_____	_____	
* Theology I (RELT 255)(4 units)		_____	_____	_____	
** Beginning Greek I, II, III (RELL 281, 282, 283)(9 units) <i>Satisfies World Language Found. Studies Requirement</i>		_____	_____	_____	
Theme IIA: Arts Appreciation or History (4 units)		_____	_____	_____	
Theme IIB: Historical or Contemporary Culture and Context (4 units) Theme IIC: Exploring American Culture (HUMN 204 or 205) (4 units)		_____	_____	_____	
THIRD YEAR	* Biblical Ethics in the Modern World (RELE 205)(4 units)	_____	_____	_____	
	* Sacred Texts:Theory & Practice of Biblical Interpretation (RELB 409)(4 units) or RELB 409	_____	_____	_____	
	* Religion & Society (RELE 447)(4 units) (see Bulletin for options)	_____	_____	_____	
	* Homiletics I & II (RELP 361, 362)(8 units)	_____	_____	_____	
	* Theology II (RELT 355)(4 units)	_____	_____	_____	
	+ Introduction to Philosophy (PHIL 204) (4 units)	_____	_____	_____	
	** Intermediate Greek I, II, III (RELL 381, 382, 383)(9 units) Adventism in Global Perspective (RLGN 304) OR Religion in Three Cultures (RLGN 305)(4 units)	_____	_____	_____	
	UD Rhetorical Course (RELE 459A & RELT 436)(4 units)	_____	_____	_____	
	Theme IVA: Life Science (4 units)	_____	_____	_____	
	Theme IVB: Physical Science (4 units)	_____	_____	_____	
FOURTH YEAR	* Issues in Religious Ethics (RELE 459)(4 units)	_____	_____	_____	
	* History of Christianity: Formation (RELH 445)(4 units)	_____	_____	_____	
	* History of Christianity: Reformation (RELH 446)(4 units)	_____	_____	_____	
	* History of Seventh-day Adventism (RELH 483)(4 units)	_____	_____	_____	
	* Philosophy of Religion (RELT 436) (4 units)	_____	_____	_____	
	* Theology III (RELT 455)(4 units)	_____	_____	_____	
	+ Religious Development & Moral Learning (RELT 464)(4 units)	_____	_____	_____	
	** Basic Hebrew I, II (RELL 481, 482)(6 units) Theme IVC: Scientific Foundations: Choose 4 units from NSCI 404, 405, 406, 407	_____	_____	_____	
	Theme V: Senior Capstone (UNST 404R)(4 units)	_____	_____	_____	
	Electives to complete 190 quarter units	_____	_____	_____	
	* Major Requirements (68 units) ** Cognate Requirements + Recommended				

RELIGIOUS STUDIES/ PRE-SEMINARY

B.A. Degree

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES AND RELATED OCCUPATIONS: The completion of the Pre-Ministerial track, in conjunction with a baccalaureate degree in a major of one's choice, qualifies the graduate for acceptance into professional programs such as seminary or graduate school. With competition strong for the limited openings in the traditional pastoral ministry, the completion of such professional training on the graduate level is an increasing requisite for successful placement. With additional education, ministers can specialize in hospital chaplaincy, or focus on teaching (with educational credentials), youth ministry, administration, or other specialized ministry.

The Bachelor of Arts in Religious Studies provides a particularly compatible complement to the Pre-Ministry track.

EDUCATIONAL QUALIFICATIONS: The successful completion of a graduate or professional degree is an increasing pattern in the preparation for pastoral ministry in the Seventh-day Adventist denomination. Ordination typically follows a period of successful ministry thereafter.

DENOMINATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES: Openings in the traditional pastoral ministry are limited, although opportunities continue to arise especially for those who have completed graduate/professional training. Alternatives include youth counseling, family relations, secondary teaching, and various chaplaincy careers.

ENTERING SALARY: Entering wage level in the Southeastern California Conference for 2006 ranges between **\$38,785** and **\$51,764** annually, depending upon location. Benefits are in addition to the base salary.

SOURCES OF ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Websites:

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