Program Coordinator: D. Kreiss

The Youth Ministry major is an interdisciplinary program incorporating courses in Psychology, Bible & Religion, and Recreation in addition to the required Youth Ministry courses. Youth Ministry majors are required to complete a minor in another field and are encouraged to work toward a second major. This broad program thoroughly prepares the graduate to give oversight to Youth Ministry programs associated with the local church, community agencies, Christian Youth organizations (Young Life, Youth for Christ, and Youth with a Mission) and other related programs.

Internships provide needed experience in working with young people in a variety of settings. Those who pursue this major are tutored by professionals in the Youth Ministry field and experience hands-on ministry while gaining academic credit. These opportunities may lead to employment, either with the internship site or another location. Because of the many opportunities for employment available in Youth Ministry, this degree gives the graduate an advantage over others without this level of education and training.

Youth Ministry Major Requirements*

- YTMN 1620 Foundations of Youth Ministry .................................................... 2 s.h.
- YTMN 2220 Youth Ministry in Varied Contexts .............................................. 4 s.h.
- YTMN 2450 Recreation and Adventure Based Learning .................................. 4 s.h.
- YTMN 3210 Practical Theology of Youth Ministry ......................................... 4 s.h.
- YTMN 3610 Program Administration for Effective Youth Ministry ................ 4 s.h.
- YTMN 3800/3830 Internship ...................................................................................... 4 s.h.
- YTMN 4110 Senior Seminar for Ministry .......................................................... 2 s.h.
- YTMN 4990 Comprehensive Assessment ......................................................... 0 s.h.
- BIBL 2251 The Old Testament and Interpretation ............................................. 4 s.h.
- BIBL 2252 The New Testament and Interpretation ............................................. 4 s.h.
PSYC 3320  
Adolescent Development ......................................................... 4 s.h.

PSYC 3010  
Spiritual Formation and the Book of James ...................................... 2 s.h.

PSYC 3502  
Introduction to Christian Counseling ........................................... 2 s.h.

Choose from the following courses ........................................... 4 s.h.

BIBL 3040  
The Life and Teaching of Jesus (4 s.h.)

BIBL 4060  
The Gospels and Epistles of John (4 s.h.)

RELG 3210  
Introduction to Theology (4 s.h.)

RELG 3850  
History of the Christian Movement (4 s.h.)

* Students majoring in Youth Ministry are required to complete a minor in another area of study.

Summary of Total Credits
Core Curriculum ............................................................................ 42 s.h.
Major Requirements ...................................................................... 44 s.h.
Mandatory Minor .......................................................................... 18 s.h.
Electives/Second Major .............................................................. 20 s.h.
Minimum to Earn Bachelor of Arts ............................................ 124 s.h.