

Arlington Baptist College Student Ministry Degree Program

At Arlington Baptist College you will receive a FULL Youth Ministry degree - 30 hours of comprehensive study that will prepare you to become the Youth Pastor that God intends for you to be. “**Options**” would be the word that best describes the advantages of the Student Ministry Degree program. Here are some of the options you will enjoy in our program:

1. **Options to choose your education path:** **You will be able to choose your own classes: (in Bible – 9 hours of electives, and in Church Ministry – 12 hours) which will help you be prepared for your future ministry.** For example: the future student pastor who has a deficiency in preaching will want to take all the speech courses, or a student who might be going into the pastorate in several years can choose classes which focus on church leadership. The student who sees himself on a mission field later on might want to focus on Intercultural class offerings. The possibilities are endless! For your Bible classes, you can choose to focus on certain areas that are most relevant to you in addition to your Bible core classes.
2. **Options to learn from experience:** This is our strongest advantage in the program. The future Youth Pastor will be able to learn from experiences that include working directly in local churches in the youth program. They will have the option to learn in their own church and experience a new ministry in their internship. Not only will you have 8 hours of Christian service, but you will observe as a freshman, participate as a sophomore, partner as a junior and lead as a senior in the Student Ministry degree! (the Jesus model) When it’s time to graduate and minister fulltime, you will be ready to meet the challenge and your resume will be FULL of important hands on experience.
3. **Options to finish strong as a senior:** There will be plenty of class electives for the upperclassman to choose from. There will also be a strong senior internship combined with a capstone program that will assist the senior in writing his resume, developing a portfolio, and assisting in ministry placement. The Student Ministry Program is back loaded with more senior level courses to help you focus your learning experience while closing in on graduation and looking to your future ministry.
4. **Options to learn from multiple sources:** The Student Ministry program has incorporated conferences into the program. These conferences will tap into the best and brightest of the youth ministry world to train **YOU!** Each conference will have you immersed in passionate experiences that will challenge, cultivate, and encourage you in your calling to student ministry. You will come home from these experiences with a strong desire for ministry and useful tools to succeed in your ministry. Some conferences attended in the last few years include: *Youth Ministry Lab, Ignite, Youth Pastor Summit, and the Dare2Share teen evangelism conference.*

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Overview of Student Ministry Program –

Bible classes: Total: 39

30 hours of core classes

9 hours of electives

General Education Core classes: Total: 39

39 hours of general education

Christian Service Total: 8

8 hours of Christian service

Student Ministry Classes: Total: 42

30 hours of core classes

12 hours of electives

Grand Total: 128

Bible Classes (30 core, 9 elective) –

Old Testament Survey	3	New Testament Survey	3
Bible Study Methods	3	Ecclesiology	3
Bible Doctrines	3	Life of Christ	3
Systematic Theology I	3	Systematic Theology II	3
Biblical Conflict Resolution	3	Acts of the Apostles	3
		Total:	30

Elective Bible (BIB/THL) classes: 9 hours

Total: 39

General Education Core Classes (39 required) -

English Composition I	3	English Composition II	3
Biblical Worldview	3	History (2 classes)	6
Math	3	Principles of Worship	3
Literature	3	Science (class + lab)	4
Federal Government	3	PE (2 classes)	2
Adolescent Psychology	3	Speech	3
		Total:	39

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Student Ministry classes (30 core, 12 elective) -

Core Student Ministry Classes:

CM1311	Intro to Student Ministry	3
CM2308	Foundations of Student Ministry	3
CM2309	Student Ministry Practicum	3
CM3312	Speaking to Students 1	3
CM3314	Speaking to Students 2	3
CM3313	Student Ministry Strategies	3
CM4305	Contemporary Issues in Student Ministry	3
CM4306	Counseling Today's Student	3
CM4611	Senior Capstone and Internship	6
	Total:	30

Elective Church Ministry classes: 12 hours

Total: 42

Hint: 1000 level classes are freshman, 2000 are sophomore, 3000 level are junior and the senior level is 4000. There are 12 hours of senior level classes in this program.

Christian Service (8 hours required)

1 hour each semester required: Total: 8

Student Ministry Course Total: 128

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Student Ministry Degree Completion Plan –

Freshman	Fall (16)	Hours	Spring (16)	Hours	
	Old Testament Survey	3	New Testament Survey	3	
	Introduction to Student Ministry	3	Bible Study Methods	3	
	English Comp I	3	English Comp II	3	
	Fundamentals of Speech	3	Math	3	
	American History I	3	Principles of Worship	3	
	Christian Service	1	Christian Service	1	=32
Sophomore	Fall (17)	Hours	Spring (15)	Hours	
	Life of Christ	3	Ecclesiology	3	
	Bible Doctrine	3	Student Ministry Practicum	3	
	Foundations of Student Ministry	3	Science with Lab	4	
	American Literature I	3	American History II	3	
	Federal Government	3	PE	1	
	PE	1	Christian Service	1	
	Christian Service	1			=64
Junior	Fall (16)	Hours	Spring (16)	Hours	
	Systematic Theology I	3	Systematic Theology II	3	
	Student Ministry Strategies	3	Psychology class	3	
	Speaking to Students 1	3	Speaking to Students 2	3	
	Biblical Worldview	3	Bible Elective	3	
	Church Ministry Elective	3	Church Ministry Elective	3	
	Christian Service	1	Christian Service	1	=96
Senior	Fall (16)	Hours	Spring (16)	Hours	
	Contemporary Issues in Student Ministry	3	Senior Capstone and Internship	6	
	Counseling Today's Student	3	Acts of the Apostles	3	
	Biblical Conflict Resolution	3	Bible Elective	3	
	Bible Elective	3	Church Ministry Elective	3	
	Church Ministry Elective	3	Christian Service	1	
	Christian Service	1			=128