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Students enrolled in the Graduate Certificate in Ministry receive a foundational understanding of ministry equipping them for broad service to the church. Required courses include theology or history; Bible; and two Preaching and Communications, Introduction to Caring Ministry, or other Ministry Studies courses.

This **hybrid certificate** is ideal for persons serving churches as Sunday School teachers, deacons, and elders, plus students who want to expand their knowledge of Scripture.

Ministry certificate grads may elect to later complete the Seminary's Master of Divinity or Master of Arts in Pastoral Studies **degree program**. Additionally, the certificate is ideal for persons serving churches or congregations as Sunday School teachers, deacons, and elders, plus women and men who want to expand their knowledge of Scripture or gain a foundation for practical ministry.

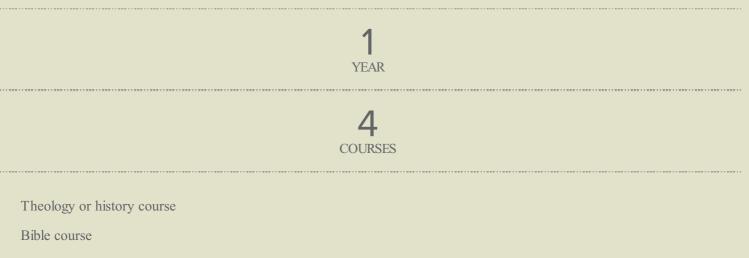
COMPLETING THE CERTIFICATE IN MINISTRY PROGRAM

Taking two classes per semester, the Certificate in Ministry can be completed in one year. Students may also elect to take one course per semester and complete the program in two years. For those taking evening courses, the program can be completed over two academic years. This flexible certificate program easily fits students' busy schedules. Becasue the program is hybrid, students can select from in person and online classes.

Whether you already have a master's degree or you're new to seminary, the Graduate Certificate in Ministry is a great way to expand your theological education.



12 CREDIT HOURS



Two Preaching and Communications, Introduction to Caring Ministry, or other Ministry Studies courses

APPLYING TO THE CERTIFICATE IN MINISTRY PROGRAM

Students interested in this hybrid certificate program must complete Pittsburgh Theological Seminary's standard application for admission process, and will ordinarily have an undergraduate degree. Merit scholarships and need-based financial aid are available.

REQUEST INFORMATION

Preferred Name
* Last Name
* Address
* City, State, Zip
* Phone
* E-mail
* Program of Interest

Please Select

Masters Program of Interest:

- © Master of Divinity
- O Master of Divinity Emphasis in Forming New Faith Communities
- Master of Theological Studies
- O Master of Arts in Pastoral Studies
- $\ensuremath{\mathbb{C}}$ Masters Degree with Urban Ministry Certificate
- Joint Degree (Social Work)
- O Joint Degree (Law)
- Non-Degree

Certificate Program of Interest:

- O Graduate Certificate in Adaptive and Innovative Ministry
- O Graduate Certificate in Ministry
- $\ensuremath{\mathbb{C}}$ Graduate Certificate in Missional Leadership
- $\ensuremath{\mathbb{C}}$ Graduate Certificate in Theological Studies
- $\ensuremath{\mathbb{C}}$ Graduate Certificate in Urban Ministry

Doctor of Ministry Program of Interest:

- $\ensuremath{\mathbb{C}}$ Bridging Divides: In Church, Community, and Country
- O Christian Spirituality Focus
- $\ensuremath{\mathbb{C}}$ Creative Writing and Public Theology Focus
- C Eastern Christian Focus
- Intergenerational Black Church Studies Focus
- © Missional Leadership Focus
- © Reformed Focus with University of Edinburgh (Scotland) Focus
- C Risking Faithfully Focus

Desired Year:

O 2025

C 2026

- C 2027
- O Undecided

Desired Semester:

- ⊙ Fall
- O Spring
- © Summer
- O Winter
- Undecided

Desired Modality:

- $\ensuremath{\mathbb{C}}$ Weekly Online Courses with In-person Gatherings at PTS (4/year)
- Mostly In-Person Courses

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