MA Christian Formation: Student and Family Ministries Specialization

The Student and Family Ministries specialization is intended for students planning to pursue youth ministry. The classes will help you identify and develop skills necessary for community biblical truth to the next generation. Students will evaluate teaching and learning theories in order to craft a distinctly Christian philosophy of educating youth.

MIN-553 Sociology of Adolescence 3 credits

The course is designed to foster an intellectual understanding of the evolution of adolescence in Western society and current influences that shape its constitution. Special attention will also be given to application of this understanding toward effective ministry with youth.

MIN-641 Theology of Youth Ministry 3 credits

Students will seek to integrate a theologically-informed perspective with sound principles to create a philosophy of youth ministry. Special attention will be given to exploring how adolescent faith is nurtured.

COU-520 Child and Adolescent Counseling 3 credits

This course is designed to provide an understanding of the unique developmental issues of the child and adolescent years. Included are strategies necessary for a successful counseling ministry with these important groups.