

Youth Ministry

The Biblical Studies and Youth Ministry program is geared towards students who are passionate about bringing the younger generations closer to Christ. This program offers courses in youth crisis and intervention, adolescent development, adolescent sexuality, as well as event planning for youth ministry. Bible and Theology classes are also taken to bring context within a Christian worldview. The hands-on component in this program calls students to serve young people in the local church so that they can practically apply what they are learning in the classroom.

“Changing The Way I Do Youth Ministry”

“I thought I knew a lot about youth. I had been serving for 8 years as a youth leader, and then intern. I thought I had it down. Then I came to PLBC to become a Youth Pastor, and everything I thought I knew was challenged and reshaped. God has changed my perspective and my heart, and I’m realizing that I don’t know as much as I thought I did! PLBC is changing the way I do youth ministry.” — **JESSE TULMAN**

Specifics

PURPOSE

The Youth Ministry program is a unique training program designed to equip youth workers for real youth ministry by integrating spiritual formation, experience in the field, and relevant studies. This program is for anyone with a heart to love and lead youth to Christ. We’ve created convenient formats and class times to fit within an active schedule. You’ll find a careful balance between academic, practical, and character development. The comprehensive curriculum, experienced faculty, and intense hands-on internship component makes the Youth Ministry program a great choice for your calling.

PROGRAM LENGTH

BACHELOR

129 credit hours

4 years full-time

DIPLOMA

66 credit hours

2 years full-time

PROGRAM DIRECTOR

Dr. Dean Davey PhD, MA, BA

PROGRAM COORDINATOR

Daniel Eliason

OBJECTIVES

In addition to meeting the learning goals and objectives required for all degree programs, the Youth Ministry major will enable graduates to:

- Know the current issues of adolescent culture.
- Communicate the Gospel to adolescents.
- Disciple adolescents.
- Articulate a biblical and personal philosophy of youth ministry.
- Lead a healthy youth ministry in a local church or para-church ministry

Diploma Requirements

GENERAL STUDIES COURSES

- Personal Resource Management
- Academic Writing
- Academic Writing Lab
- The Christian Mind
- 1 General Studies Elective

BIBLE AND THEOLOGY

- Old Testament Survey
- New Testament Survey
- Survey of Christian Beliefs
- Biblical Interpretation
- The Gospels
- 2 Bible or Theology Elective

MINISTRY DEVELOPMENT COURSES

- Spiritual Formation I
- Spiritual Formation II
- Life and Ministry in the Holy Spirit

YOUTH MINISTRY

- Philosophy of Youth Ministry
- Youth Ministry Seminar I and II
- Speaking to Adolescents
- Adolescent Development and Family Systems
- Youth Crisis and Intervention
- 1 Youth Ministry Elective

PRACTICUM

- Youth Ministry Practicum I
- Youth Ministry Practicum II
- Youth Ministry Practicum III

CAPSTONE

- Ministry Research Project

[Printable Checklist](#)

Bachelor Requirements

In addition to completing the 66 credit core, Biblical Studies and Youth Ministry students also take the following:

BIBLE AND THEOLOGY COURSES

- Theological Method
- 3 Bible or Theology Electives

MINISTRY DEVELOPMENT COURSES

- Spiritual Formation II
- Pastoral Ministry
- Homiletics I
- Leadership Development

YOUTH MINISTRY COURSES: REQUIRED

- Philosophy of Youth Ministry
- Youth Ministry Seminar I
- Youth Ministry Seminar II
- Speaking to Adolescents
- Adolescent Development and Family Systems
- Youth Ministry Leadership
- Youth Crisis and Intervention

ONE OF THE FOLLOWING

- Children's Ministry
- Christian Education
- Marriage and Family

PRACTICUM

- Youth Ministry Practicum I
- Youth Ministry Practicum II
- Youth Ministry Practicum III
- Youth Ministry Practicum IV

CAPSTONE

Senior Seminar

OPEN ELECTIVES

3 Open Electives

Tuition Breakdown

This will give you an estimate of costs in your first year. Our 2023/2024 tuition is \$250 per credit hour.

\$11,040

Housing Breakdown

The community at PLBC is a huge part of the student experience.

The cost of dorms is **\$3,650** per semester.

Fee Breakdown

TUITION

- Tuition \$250.00
Per credit hour. Per semester.
- Audit Tuition \$50
Per course. Per semester.
- English Language Immersion Program
\$4850.00
Per semester.

APPLICATION FEES

- Application Fee \$50.00
Canadian and US Students.
- Application Fee For Foreign Students
\$80.00

CAMPUS STUDENT FEE

- Per Semester. Previously listed as separate fees: Fall Retreat. Student Fee. Library Fee.
- For students taking 9 credit hours or more \$450.00
- For students taking 8 credit hours or less \$60.00
Per credit hour.
- Summer Student Fee \$225.00

SPECIFIC FEES

- Fall Retreat Transportation Fee \$45.00
Room and Board \$3250.00

PER SEMESTER:

- Graduation Fee \$150.00
- Late Graduation Fee \$50.00