

PROGRAM OVERVIEW

The Elder Alternative Pathway Certificate is a course of study designed and delivered from a Wesleyan perspective to meet the ordination requirements for individuals seeking to be a Deacon in the Global Methodist Church (GMC). It consists of Bible theology and pastoral ministry courses that align with the criteria set out by the Global Methodist Church Book of Discipline to meet the ordination requirements to become an Elder.

PREREQUISITES

- Sophomore Standing (25 or more successfully completed college-level credits)
- ENGL 1113/1213 English Composition I and II
- BINT 1203 Introduction to the New Testament
- PMIN 1103 Foundations of Ministry

CERTIFICATE REQUIREMENTS (18 hrs.)

BINT 3303 Romans
BINT 3703 History of the Christian Thought 1
BINT 3803 History of the Christian Thought 2
BIOT 3613 Foundations of Ethics: Hebrew Wisdom Literature
PMIN 4233 Nonprofit and American Church Law
THEO 2303 Introduction to Christian Theology



ELECTIVES (12 hrs.)

Once the Elder candidate is ordained, they must complete four (4) elective courses within seven (7) years of ordination. They can select from the following courses:

BINT 3103 Synoptic Gospels
COMM 2143 Digital Media Literacy
COMM 2803 Multimedia Storytelling
PHIL 2103 Introduction to Philosophy and Ethics
THEO 3403 Person and Work of the Holy Spirit
THEO 3603 Spiritual Formation and Ministry

TOTAL REQUIRED HOURS: 30

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