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# Make a Difference Through **Christian Ministries**

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## Christian Ministries Major

It starts with passion. It starts with a call. Every individual's journey into ministry is unique, yet each one begins with a strong desire to make a difference in the world by carrying Jesus' love and light to desperate people and dark places. Build on that passion to move your calling forward with Azusa Pacific's **Bachelor of Arts in Christian Ministries** program.

"The place God calls you to is the place where your deep gladness and the world's deep hunger meet," author Frederick

Buechner wrote. Whether transforming a neighborhood through a local church, serving refugees in a far-off country, or reaching out to the homeless and orphans in the middle of the city, this program can help you reach that place of God's calling feeling prepared. The Christian ministries major provides a foundation of theological knowledge and a supportive community of peers and mentors, both essential to thriving in ministry.

*My time in the Christian ministries program prepared me for ministry through hands-on learning experiences, opportunities to be both challenged and encouraged, and transformational relationships with classmates and professors. I wouldn't trade my time at APU in this program for the world!*

**- HANNAH GERACI '15, CHRISTIAN MINISTRIES MAJOR**

## Prepare for a Life of Impact

Azusa Pacific offers an abundance of resources to equip you for a life of ministry and difference making. A multidisciplinary curriculum creates a broad knowledge base for ministry, while faculty-mentors come alongside you to share their wisdom and experiences. Opportunities for real-world ministry abound, from a weeklong immersion course in Los Angeles to study urban contexts, to a yearlong internship in a church or parachurch organization, to study away opportunities in Israel, South Africa, the High Sierra, and more.

Community support is an integral part of a healthy ministry, and this program offers consistent mentoring through the Center for Vocational Ministry, the opportunity to interact with nationally recognized Christian leaders through our Pastors' Forums, and an annual spring retreat that allows you to nurture your relationships with God, your professors, and your peers.



## In the Christian ministries major, you will...

- Learn and serve with students from diverse backgrounds who represent 47 states and 48 countries.
- Benefit from a multidisciplinary education that promotes theological reflection, faith integration, and spiritual formation.
- Build relationships with faculty-mentors who represent a wide range of ministry experience.
- Engage in real-world ministry practice through internships and immersion programs.
- Receive support and guidance from APU's Center for Vocational Ministry.



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## Choose a Concentration for Your Unique Calling

Students pursuing a Christian ministries degree at Azusa Pacific can choose from five concentrations to tailor the degree to their passion and calling.

- Church and Pastoral Ministry Practices
- Intercultural Christian Ministries
- Ministry in Urban and Social Service Contexts
- Sports Ministry
- Youth Outreach and Discipleship



## Christian Ministry Careers

- Pastor
- Sociologist
- Teacher/Professor
- Writer
- Chaplain
- Counselor
- Missionary
- Evangelist
- Church Administrator
- Director of a Christian Nonprofit Organization

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**THE ECONOMIST RANKED APU GRADUATES AMONG THE MOST EMPLOYABLE IN THE NATION, placing the university in the 92<sup>nd</sup> percentile as No. 102 among its counterparts.**

## Successful Alumni

- J.P. Charfauros '06, Venue Pastor, Christ's Church of the Valley, Lone Hill Campus, San Dimas
- Audie Diggs '10, M.Div. '13, Director of Outreach and Mission, Oaks Christian School, Westlake Village
- Hannah Geraci '15, LifeGroup Coordinator, Fellowship Monrovia, Monrovia
- Alison King '14, Behavior Technician, Family Support Center-Autism Services, Colorado Springs, Colorado
- Andrew Wood '15, Youth Pastor, Journey Christian Church, Irvine



## Next Steps

Ready to learn more about the Christian ministries major, or apply to Azusa Pacific? Get started today!

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### Learn More

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### Apply

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### Connect with Us

For more information or to learn about other majors and opportunities at Azusa Pacific, contact the Office of Undergraduate Admissions.

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