The Pastoral Ministry program is designed primarily for men or women who wish to become pastors, church planters, evangelists, or other ministry related professionals upon graduation, with or without further education. "The aim of the Pastoral Ministry Department at Nyack College is to educate with enriching truth, train with foundational skills and foster spiritual gifts in order to bring personal transformation and help each student fulfill his or her destiny in God’s Kingdom." Under a faculty that is prepared both spiritually and intellectually, students receive concentrated studies in the Word of God and the essential doctrines of Christian faith. Approximately 50 percent of the subjects are in specialized courses in Bible, theology, evangelism, church history, spiritual formation, leadership and other practical pastoral duties.

The co-curricular programs of Nyack College will seek to augment the formal course work by encouraging the development of wholesome spiritual values, the spirit of prayer and evangelism, and the missionary vision essential to the successful pastor or ministry leader.

Students in the Pastoral Ministry major will also earn 3 credits through Christian Service Internships in teaching, preaching, community service or worship leading. In addition to the major field component, the Pastoral Ministry major at Nyack College may focus on one of nine separate specializations or “concentrations.” These concentrations are interdisciplinary in that they include courses taught in other departments of the college, giving the student a broad foundation for ministry. Pastoral Ministry in the 21st century is a multi-faceted career. Education must be tailored for those called in specific areas. The goal of these concentrations is to provide a learning curriculum specific to the student’s gifts, passion, calling, and to provide practical experience in various ministry areas. In the event that none of the concentrations are suitable, an alternative program may be developed in consultation with the Department Head or the Deputy Department Head. The concentrations are as follows:

**Concentrations**

**Evangelism and Church Planting Concentration (Institute for Church Planting—ICP):** Designed for students who desire to specialize in a ministry of evangelism, disciple making, and church planting. May be taken both as a terminal program and as preparation for graduate studies.

**Leadership and Preaching Concentration:** Designed for students who feel a call to lead through the preaching ministry. A special focus is given to the development of the young leader. May be taken both as a terminal program and as preparation for graduate studies.

**Messianic Jewish Studies Concentration:** Designed for students who are desiring to be Rabbi’s of Messianic Jewish congregations. All streams of the Messianic movement will be welcomed and represented in the courses of this concentration. May be taken as a terminal program and as preparation for graduate studies.

**Pastoral Counseling Concentration:** Designed for students who are interested in counseling within the local church or para-church organization. May be taken both as a terminal program and as preparation for graduate studies.

**Pre-Seminary Concentration:** Designed for students who want a strong language and theology foundation in preparation for seminary. This concentration is ideal for the Pastoral Ministry major who wants to enter ministry immediately following graduation while attending seminary part-time. May be taken both as a terminal program and as preparation for graduate studies.

**TESOL Concentration:** Designed for students who wish to minister cross-culturally by teaching English as a second language. May be taken both as a terminal program and as preparation for graduate studies.

**Urban Ministries Concentration:** Designed for students with a clear call to Urban Ministry. Theological and sociological implications for urban ministry are emphasized throughout the course of study. May be taken both as a terminal program and as preparation for graduate studies.
Women in Ministry Concentration: Designed for women with a call to pastoral (shepherding) ministry. These courses are designed to educate, release and empower women into their calling and destiny. May be taken both as a terminal program and as preparation for graduate studies.

Worship and the Arts Concentration: Designed for students with a call to worship ministries within the local church and beyond. A theology and practical philosophy of worship will be developed which includes preaching, music, drama, dance and the recapturing of all the arts for the Glory of God. May be taken both as a terminal program and as preparation for graduate studies.

126 credit hours, distributed as follows, are required for the Bachelor of Science degree:

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*Pastoral Ministry Experience (PMN 371,372,373,374 or PMN 490-Pastoral Internship or an approved substitute or Life experience credit | 3 |

### Concentration/Generic Pastoral Ministry Elective Component (15 credits)

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### Total credits required

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* Students in the Pre-Seminary Concentration will have to take LAN 111 & 112, thus reducing their miscellaneous electives by 6 credits.
Evangelism and Church Planting Concentration – Recommended Courses
PMN 341 - Principles of Evangelism
PMN 350 - Power Encounter or PMN 343 - Divine Healing
PMN 357 - Introduction to Church Planting
PMN 432 - Principles of Church Growth
PMN 480 - Independent Study (Church Planter’s Boot Camp)

Leadership and Preaching Concentration – Recommended Courses
PMN 252 - Leadership & Character Development
PMN 321 - Leadership Development & Mentoring
PMN 414 - Advanced Homiletics
BUS 244 - Organizational Behavior
CED 342 - Small Group Leadership

Messianic Jewish Studies Concentration – Recommended Courses
PMN 207 - Introduction to Messianic Ministry
MIS/REL/BIB 447 - The Jewish People and Prophecy
MIS 444 - Reaching Our Jewish World
PMN 307 - Developing the Messianic Ministry
PMN 480 - Independent Study (Internship in a Messianic Congregation)

Pastoral Counseling Concentration – Recommended Courses
PMN 300 - Pastoral Counseling
PMN 350 - Power Encounter or PMN 343 - Divine Healing
PSY 258 - Counseling Methods
CED 360 - At Risk Youth and Gangs or PMN 343 - Divine Healing
PSY 349 - Family Counseling

Pre-Seminary Concentration – Recommended Courses
LAN 111 - Elementary Greek
LAN 112 - Elementary Greek
LAN 211 - Intermediate Greek
LAN 212 - Intermediate Greek
LAN 312 - Exegesis
BIB 331 - Hermeneutics
THE 346 - The Church

TESOL Concentration – Recommended Courses
EDT 341 - Methods and Materials in TESOL
EDT 342 - Methods in TESOL: Language Arts
ENG 353 - English Grammar and Phonology or ANT 342 - Nature of Language
ENG 354 - Second Language Acquisition
PMN 350 - Power Encounter or PMN 343 - Divine Healing

Urban Ministries Concentration – Recommended Courses
PMN 435 - Introduction to Urban Ministries
PMN 454 - Understanding and Transforming Urban Systems
PMN 456 - Church in the Urban Context
PMN 495/496 - Urban Ministries Internship
MIS 433 - Critical Issues in Urban Ministries

Women in Ministry Concentration – Recommended Courses
PMN 228 - Introduction to Women in Ministry
PMN 300 - Pastoral Counseling
PMN 421 - Developing the Woman’s Gifts and Calling
SOC 328 - Women in Society
CED 335 - Church Ministries to Adults

Worship and the Arts Concentration – Recommended Courses
PMN 233 - Theology of Worship & the Arts
PMN 328 - Contemporary Worship Models
DRA 348 - Drama & the Church
PMN 445 - Developing the Worship Ministry in the Local Church
PMN 480 - Independent Study (3 credit internship in a local church)
(It is also recommended that the student in this concentration use some of their miscellaneous electives for music & voice lessons)
## Pastoral Ministry Major Suggested Program Plan

### FIRST YEAR

**Fall**
- BIB 100-Christian Foundations: 2 credits
- INT 112-Found. for Excellence: 2 credits
- ENG 111-College Writing I: 3 credits
- HIS 113-Hist. of World Civ. I: 3 credits
- Social Science Elective: 3 credits
- PMN 200-Nyack Heritage: 1 credit

### SECOND YEAR

**Fall**
- BIB 201-New Testament Lit: 3 credits
- CED-Elective*: 3 credits
- ENG 215 or 216-Global Lit. I or II: 3 credits
- MAT-Math Elective: 3 credits
- PMN 214 Lang/Tools-Heb: 3 credits
- PMN-Concentration Elective: 3 credits

**Spring**
- BIB 102-Old Testament Lit: 3 credits
- ENG 112-College Writing II: 3 credits
- HIS 114-Hist. of World Civ. II: 3 credits
- PHI 101-Intro to Philosophy: 3 credits
- PMN-Concentration Elective: 3 credits

### THIRD YEAR

**Fall**
- BIB 301-Biblical Doctrine I: 3 credits
- SOC 347-Multicultural America: 3 credits
- PMN 311-Intro. Homiletics: 3 credits
- Pastoral Min. Experience: 1 credit
- PMN-Concentration Elective: 3 credits
- THE-Elective: 3 credits

**Spring**
- BIB 302-Biblical Doctrine II: 3 credits
- PMN 312-Applied Homiletics: 3 credits
- PMN 346-Pers. Spiritual Form: 3 credits
- PMN-Concentration Elective: 3 credits
- Elective: 3 credits
- Pastoral Min. Experience: 1 credit

### FOURTH YEAR

**Fall**
- BIB 401-Christian Worldview: 3 credits
- PMN 441-Leadership & Admin: 3 credits
- PMN-Concentration Elective: 3 credits
- Pastoral Min. Experience: 1 credit
- Electives: 6 credits

**Spring**
- PMN 442-Pastoral Methods: 3 credits
- PMN 470-Senior Seminar: 3 credits
- Electives: 9 credits

*CED 202 recommended.