

Report to Central District Conference of Mennonite Church USA

AMBS serves the church as a learning community with an Anabaptist vision, educating followers of Jesus Christ to be leaders for God's reconciling mission in the world.

Our programs integrate academics, spiritual formation and practice. Join us — in person or at a distance, full time or part time — and deepen your understanding of Scripture, faith and Anabaptist theology!

Degrees and programs (* = distance-friendly program)

- Master of Divinity*
- Master of Arts in Christian Formation
- Master of Arts: Theology and Peace Studies
- Master of Arts: Theology and Global Anabaptism*
- Graduate Certificate in Spiritual Direction*
- Graduate Certificate in Theological Studies* (fully customizable)
- Doctor of Ministry in Leadership*
- Journey Missional Leadership Development Program* (undergraduate-level, nondegree)

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We offer generous need-based financial aid, scholarships and matching grants for both full- and part-time graduate students. You *can* afford seminary!

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Leadership and enrichment

Grow your ministry skills and gain Anabaptist approaches to today's leadership challenges through our nondegree offerings. (* = distance-friendly program)

Short-term options

- Online Short Courses*: four to six weeks, discussion-based, noncredit
- Invite AMBS*: request a speaker (in person or virtual) on a topic of your choice
- Pastors & Leaders conference*: Feb. 19–22, 2024
- !Explore: A Theological Program for High School Youth (summer)

Yearlong offerings

- Spiritual Direction Seminars*
- Transition to Leadership: program for new pastors
- Integrity Circles*: reflect theologically on leadership within a group

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Central District Conference connections

- **Doctor of Ministry students:** Charles Buller (Silverwood), Janeen Bertsche Johnson (Eighth St), Doug Luginbill (First – Bluffton), James Rissler (Atlanta, Emmanuel)
- **Master of Divinity students:** Debbie Bledsoe (Raleigh, Southside), Alaina Dobkowski (Grand Rapids), Melika Kauffman Hershberger (Normal), Andrew Hudson (Covenant), Sibonokuhle Ncube (Eighth St), Daniel Teye Nuertey (Hively Ave)
- **Master of Arts students:** Steve Benner (Normal), Scott Coulter (Assembly), Andrea Cramer (Keller Park), Jon Zirkle (Assembly)
- **Graduate Certificate students:** Carrie Mast (First – Bluffton), Deanna Risser (Assembly)
- **Journey participants/mentors:** Denise Berbach (Atlanta)/Lois Kaufmann (Assembly), April Lo (Chicago Community)/Anne Munley (Illinois Conf), Rachel Stolpe (Milwaukee)/Mariah Martin (Faith), Shadrek Kwendanyama, Lyson Makawa, Ephraim Nzitonda, all of Malawi/Charles Baraka (Madison)
- **Board member:** John Daniels (Covenant)

AMBS statistics

- In 2022–23, 141 graduate students were enrolled at AMBS: 61 from the U.S., six from Canada and 74 international students.
- The undergraduate-level nondegree Journey program had 21 participants from the U.S., Canada, Malawi and Uganda, as of March 2023.
- In 2021–22, 1,577 people participated in lifelong learning offerings of AMBS's Church Leadership Center.

Want to try out seminary?

- Sign up for an Online Short Course (no grades, no papers!):
 - Exploring Peace and Justice in the Bible
 - Exploring Anabaptist History and Theology
 - Understanding Anabaptist Approaches to Scripture: What's Different and Why?
 - Transforming Congregational Conflict and Communication

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- Take a graduate-level course — online or on campus. Nonadmitted students get 50% off tuition for their first three credit hours! ambs.edu/upcoming-courses
- Schedule a virtual or in-person visit. Talk with students, faculty and staff and learn what AMBS has to offer! ambs.edu/visit
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