

# CERTIFICATE IN CHILDREN AND FAMILY MINISTRIES

## Purpose

The purpose of the Certificate in Children and Family Ministry is to equip persons with deeper theoretical and practical understandings in order to better serve children and families in the local church or ministry context. It is also appropriate for those who wish to explore the area of children and family ministry in addition to their other TIU degree program.

## Admission and Completion Requirements

Applicants to the Certificate in Children and Family Ministry must fulfill the following requirements:

- Fulfill the admission requirements as listed in the Post-Baccalaureate Certificates Admission Requirements.
- Prospective students who do not meet the general admission requirements in the Admissions (<https://catalog.tiu.edu/evangelical-divinity-school/admissions/>) section of this catalog should possess intensive or extensive life experience with children and family ministry practice in the church, parachurch, other Christian organizations; higher education; or the public education arena (generally five-plus years of full-time experience).
- Academic, non-formal, or informal preparation for children and family ministry at the graduate level.
- Demonstrated academic ability through evaluation and interview by the EM Department (personal interview encompassing demonstrable skills, character, knowledge, and critical thinking).
- Fulfill the graduation requirements as listed in the Post-Baccalaureate Certificates Graduation Requirements.

Admission to the Certificate in Children and Family Ministry does not automatically imply admission to any Trinity degree program.

## Certificate in Children and Family Ministry Requirements

Courses may be completed on the Bannockburn campus and through TEDS online courses. Not all courses are available in all modes or every semester.

Code	Title	Hours
<b>Educational Ministry Core</b>		<b>4</b>
EM 5110	Educational Ministry	2
EM 5125	Teaching and Learning	2
<b>Electives (Suggested Courses Included): <sup>1</sup></b>		<b>8</b>
EM 5510	Christian Formation & Journey	
EM 6110	Christian Leadership	
EM 6265	Building Ministry Teams	
EM 6500	Curriculum Development	
EM 7110	Spiritual Formation in the Family	
ES 7524	Children in the Church	
ES 7535	Nurturing Families in the Church	
ES 7560	Program Planning Dynamics in the Church	

Other departmental courses offered regularly may apply.

**Total Hours**

**12**

<sup>1</sup> Select additional units of courses prefixed EM or ES available at the master's level (5000-8999). Courses from other departments or ES 8000 may be applied when such substitutions are approved in advance by the EM Department.