Associate of Christian Education Program  
(Cordova Campus)  
Description of the Associate of Christian Education Program (ACE)

The associate of Christian education program (ACE) is a post-secondary professional degree intended for persons who hold a high school diploma or equivalency certificate, but who have not completed a baccalaureate degree. The associate of Christian education program is designed to equip students for effective ministry as: a minister of education, minister of youth, minister to children, or administrator in the local church; a missionary in the area of Christian education; or a teacher or administrator in a church-related school. This program requires sixty semester hours of academic credit for graduation.

Educational Objectives of the Associate of Christian Education Program

In addition to the Seminary’s general educational objectives, the associate of Christian education program is designed to promote growth toward personal maturity and professional ministry competence in students. The objectives of the program are accomplished through classroom instruction, the modeling of professors, the practice of ministry through the Practical Missions program, chapel services, and student organizations.

Foundational Studies

The associate of Christian education program seeks to guide students to understand and interpret the Christian faith in the light of its biblical, theological, and historical dimensions and to utilize insights gained from these disciplines for the effective practice of ministry in the church, community, and world.

Essential Skills for Ministry

The associate of Christian education program seeks to guide students to understand, develop, and utilize the essential skills for ministry in the effective performance of educational leadership roles in the church, including teaching, educational leadership, age-graded ministry, administration, evangelism, and missions.