Future Careers

**URBAN CHURCH MINISTRY**
Students will be qualified for paid and support-raising positions in urban churches.

**NONPROFIT URBAN MINISTRY**
Students will be qualified for paid and support-raising positions in Christian ministries in urban areas.

**URBAN AND REGIONAL PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT**
Students can find employment in city and local municipalities in planning and development through internship experiences in these fields during their educational training. Students interested in jobs in planning should consider getting geographic information systems certification in addition to their core curriculum.

**URBAN EDUCATION AND ESL**
Students can gain employment in staff support roles in public schools. Students who are wanting to teach English to language learners in the US and abroad could find employment by taking additional classes to gain English as a Second Language (ESL) certification.

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Program Details

This major prepares students for effective ministry in an urbanized world. The majority of the world now lives in the city, and there is an increasing need for workers to be trained in effectively lead ministries and social agencies in urban areas. The emphasis of the Urban Ministry Studies program is an extended field experience where students will live in the heart of inner-city Philadelphia at the Urban Hope Training Center. This experience provides students with real-world training as the cities of the Northeast become their classroom for nine months.

Students will study the eight areas of concentration that are issues found in all urban areas of the world. The ministry they will be involved with uses a holistic approach to the Gospel, but urban connecting with local churches as well. It is rooted in the fact that there is life transformation through Jesus Christ and the changes lives and circumstances. Students will be mentored by experienced urban teachers who are living in the inner-city and connecting with the community.

Students will be involved in contact-making, outreach, discipleship, and teaching in a cross-cultural setting.

Students will learn through observation and interaction of various organizations and groups in the Northeast, traveling to various world-class cities as a group.

Options will be given to students to visit urban areas outside the USA to observe other ways of meeting social, material, and spiritual needs.

Students will be taught by practitioners who will equip students to work in many areas of social services.

Example Courses

**UNA 1000 FOUNDATIONS OF URBAN MINISTRY**

This course will help students develop a biblical framework for urban ministry and gain an overall understanding of foundational principles for effective urban ministry. Students will learn about the history, contemporary practices, and centrality of the local church in effective urban ministry. Each student will learn principles to (a) understand the diversity of urban settings, (b) gauge the needs of various people groups within an urban area, and (c) develop strategies for effective urban ministry within that culture. This course will offer hands-on training and be taught at the Urban Hope Training Center in Philadelphia, PA.

**UNA 4500/4900 URBAN STUDIES FIELD EXPERIENCE I AND II**

Both field experiences will be taught through a semester-long residency at the Urban Hope Training Center in Philadelphia, PA. Students will spend a total of two semesters completing the field experiences. Students will live at Urban Hope and will travel to ministry sites in various cities of the Northeast throughout their field experiences.

Faculty

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