

STAND TALL

FOR THE GOSPEL



CONCORDIA UNIVERSITY CHICAGO

An institution of the
Lutheran Church—
Missouri Synod

LCMS Church
Professional
Programs at CUC
offer preparation
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profession serving
God through
serving others.

LIVE THE WORD

At CUC, you'll have countless opportunities to grow in your faith and stand tall as you live out the Word of God.

You feel called to a life serving others through church leadership. We can help you achieve it. The LCMS Church Professional Programs at CUC offer preparation and guidance for a profession serving LCMS congregations, schools and ministries, nationwide and abroad. High-quality academic instruction and many internship and service possibilities equip you to be successful in your future ministries.

My high school teachers inspired me to go into education. Growing up in Lutheran schools, some of my favorite teachers came out of CUC. I saw all the work they did and I was fascinated and wanted to follow in their footsteps.

Jordan Meier
'26 Lutheran Teacher Education



Deaconess Studies

A deaconess shares the Gospel through mercy, spiritual care and teaching the faith. Students in CUC's deaconess program become fully certified in the LCMS after four years of college plus a one-year paid internship. Through rigorous coursework and field experience, our program prepares you for compassionate service in congregations, agencies or mission fields. Take advantage of the university setting and our faculty's real-world experience to develop diaconal skills in caregiving, classical pedagogy, social work, music, Spanish, biblical languages or education.

Director of Christian Education

A director of Christian education (DCE) serves within a congregation as part of a ministry team with pastors and other staff members. Depending on your unique talents and interests, you might work in the areas of parish education, children's

and youth ministry, small group ministry, young adult ministry, family ministry or music ministry. CUC's DCE program takes advantage of Chicago's rich learning environment by providing you with local opportunities to develop practical skills through field experience and servant events.

Director of Parish Music

A director of parish music (DPM) leads the church's song. Whether leading congregational singing, directing choral or instrumental ensembles, or planning worship services with the pastor, the DPM certificate—based in the liberal arts music major—prepares the candidate for a variety of music ministry possibilities in the church.

Lutheran Teacher Education

CUC's Lutheran teacher education (LTE) program will equip you with the education and licensure necessary to become a teacher in any of the

1,800+ Lutheran schools in the U.S. The LTE program is combined with your choice of programs in the College of Education: early childhood, elementary, middle grades, secondary, special education, and PK-12 art, music, physical education or Spanish.

Pre-Seminary Program

Pastors have a wide range of responsibilities within the Church. They not only lead worship, but also assist with education, evangelism, counseling, social ministry and the day-to-day administration of congregations and other charitable institutions. CUC's pre-seminary program guides you in the process of discernment, while also preparing you for further studies. Upon receiving your degree, you will be recognized as having completed a program of study that competently prepares you to attend the seminary of your choice.

I have a lot of younger siblings, so I'm used to caring for people and serving and volunteering. Going into church work and the Deaconess program was a good way to be in a position where I would be able to serve and continue helping people.

Anika Slayton
'25 Theology/Deaconess Program



JOHN
8:31-32

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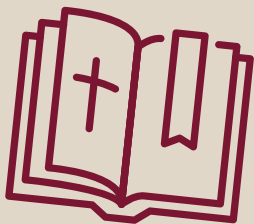


Scholarships & Awards

Our commitment to helping you reach your goals extends to our financial aid program. Incoming freshmen in church professional programs may be eligible to receive:

- Pillars Scholarship
- Church Professional Leadership Award
- Lutheran High School Award*
- Lutheran Servant Award*
- Alumni Award*
- Deaconess Clara Strehlow Endowment

*Contact the Office of Undergraduate Admission for a list of eligible programs, and details about scholarships and awards



Career Placement

Successful graduates of the LTE, DCE, DPM and deaconess professional programs are eligible for a call as commissioned ministers in The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod. The University's director of synodical placement works to match each graduate's skills and ministry goals with the needs of various ministries in the Church. Successful pre-seminary graduates are fully equipped and recommended for entrance into one of the seminaries of the LCMS.

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