

Dear Life Christian University Student or Faculty Member:

Thank you for your interest in obtaining Ministry Life Experience (MLE) credit.

This letter is to clarify the purpose of MLE credit and who should apply for it. MLE credit was created to recognize: 1) Individual academic study, and; 2) The preaching or teaching of God's Word. Most ministry of helps experience—though it makes an extremely valuable contribution to the overall well-being of the local church and to a Christian's preparation for full-time ministry—does not count towards MLE credit.

Teaching or preaching in formal classes sanctioned by the church and within the church will qualify, such as adult services, children's church, and youth services. To qualify for MLE credit, the majority of the material presented should result from the instructor's own study of the Word of God and not rely solely upon use of pre-printed curriculum. MLE credit will also be awarded for evangelistic speaking engagements, as well as teaching or preaching over radio, television, and the Internet. Conducting Sunday school classes, home Bible studies, or cell groups do not count toward MLE credit.

To earn MLE credit, you must have a minimum of one of the following:

- 1 year of experience as a full-time, senior pastor teaching or preaching the Word of God.
- 2 years in full-time ministry, teaching or preaching the Word of God.
- 3 years of experience in part-time ministry, teaching or preaching the Word of God.

Please do not send certificates, awards, documents, news articles, etc. These will not increase your MLE credit. Any published books, tapes, or CDs submitted to substantiate credit for teaching will not be returned.

If you feel you qualify for MLE credit, complete the enclosed form and make a payment of \$35 for the MLE application fee, payable to Life Christian University. The MLE Application must be received by the Registrar's Office within 60 days of your application date in order to avoid an additional assessment fee of \$50. The Registrar's Office will review your application and award credits for all qualifying life experience. They will send you a letter showing the MLE credits for which you are eligible and the total fee due.

IF MLE CREDITS ARE AWARDED: The fees for MLE credit are \$10 per credit-hour awarded at the undergraduate (bachelor's) level and \$15 per credit-hour-awarded at the graduate (master's) level. You will have 60 days from the date of your MLE Award Letter to pay the MLE Credit Awarded Fees. The maximum MLE credits that can be awarded are 30 credit-hours for undergraduate students and 9 credit-hours for graduate students. No MLE credits can be awarded for post-graduate (doctoral) level students.

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Sincerely,

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Dr. Douglas J. Wingate President & Founder

MLE ELIGIBILITY WORKSHEET

Ensure that you qualify for Ministry Life Experience credit by answering the following questions before you fill out this MLE Application.

□ Yes □ No	Question 1:	Have you taught the Word of God at least 20 times per year?			
□ Yes □ No	Question 2:	Have you taught the Word of God in:			
		 Services or formal classes sanctioned by the church? -OR- 			
		• In evangelistic meetings or on radio or television?			
□ Yes □ No	Question 3:	Has the majority of the material taught come from your own study of the Word of God?			
WARNING: Conducting Sunday school classes, home Bible studies, or cell groups does not count toward MLE credit.					

If you were not able to answer "Yes" to each of the 3 questions above, you do not qualify for MLE credit at this time

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