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Andrews University is a Christian university in the Seventh-day Adventist tradition. It encourages its students to study, practice, and develop an active religious experience. By corporate worship, community service, and a common concern for all, Andrews University students are led to develop a philosophy that makes them Christian not just in name, but in action.

The University is comprised of the College of Arts and Sciences, the College of Technology, the School of Business, the School of Education, the Seventh-day Adventist Theological Seminary, and the Division of Architecture. The College of Arts and Sciences, the College of Technology, the School of Business, and the School of Education have both undergraduate and graduate programs; the Seminary and Architecture, only graduate programs. The graduate programs for the College of Arts and Sciences, the College of Technology, the Division of Architecture, the School of Business, and the School of Education, and the academic programs of the Seminary are supervised by a governing body, the School of Graduate Studies.

# History of the University

The history of Andrews University began in 1874 when the Seventh-day Adventist denomination founded Battle Creek College in Battle Creek, Michigan. In 1901, the school was moved to Berrien Springs, Michigan, along the banks of the St. Joseph River and was named Emmanuel Missionary College.

In 1934, the SDA denomination established an Advanced Bible School on the Pacific Union College campus in Angwin, California. In 1936, that program was moved to Washington, DC, and named the Seventh-day Adventist Theological Seminary. The seminary trustees added other graduate programs in 1957, thus establishing a School of Graduate Studies. The combined institution became Potomac University.

To provide more space for that growing institution, Potomac was moved in 1959 to the campus of Emmanuel Missionary College. The next year, Emmanuel Missionary College, the Theological Seminary, and the School of Graduate Studies united under one charter as Andrews University—with an integrated board of trustees, administration and faculty. The name honors John Nevins Andrews (1829-83), pioneer Adventist theologian, editor, administrator and the denomination's first official missionary to serve outside North America.

The undergraduate division of Andrews University was organized into two colleges; the College of Arts and Sciences and the College of Technology, in 1974. The School of Business emerged in 1980, and the Department of Education became the School of Education in 1983. The present structure of the School of Graduate Studies was adopted in 1987. The Architecture Department became a division in 1993.

The 1,600-acre campus is located between Old US 31 and the St. Joseph River. It includes 27 instructional buildings, three residence halls, and three apartment complexes as well as service and support buildings.

### **Accreditation**

Recognizing that students benefit from studying in accredited programs, Andrews University has sought and received accreditation from the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools<sup>1</sup> (see Appendix, p. 365) and the Adventist Accrediting Association of the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists

#### Statement of Mission

Andrews University educates its students for generous service to the church and society in keeping with a faithful witness to Christ and to the worldwide mission of the Seventh-day Adventist Church.

Accordingly, students are challenged

- to be inquisitive
- · to think clearly and communicate effectively
- to explore the arts, letters and sciences within the context of a Christian point of view
- to develop competencies in their chosen fields of study
- to prepare for a meaningful position in the work place
- · to respect ethnic and cultural diversity
- · to embrace a wholesome way of life
- to heed God's call to personal and moral integrity
- · to nurture life in the Spirit, and
- to affirm their faith commitment.

for programs through the doctoral level. Professional organizations have accredited specific degree programs of the University and other programs are moving toward accreditation. (A complete listing of university accreditations, approvals, and memberships is found in the Appendix.)

# **Quality Academic Programs**

The high quality of the educational experience at Andrews University is shown by its listing in *U.S. News and World Report's* annual report on "Best Colleges." Andrews is among the American colleges and universities listed in *Petersen's Top Colleges in Science*. A strong undergraduate honors program attracts such outstanding students as National Merit Finalists, secondary-school valedictorians and others with outstanding secondary-school achievement.

Andrews provides a carefully designed advising program to help students make sound career choices. Undecided students can fulfill General Education requirements and learn practical skills through a variety of courses while they explore career options.

Students also develop skills for post-graduation employment. They develop those skills through practice teaching, career practica, cooperative work-study programs with businesses and corporations, or clinical rotations in health-care settings.

Students wishing to increase their academic success will benefit from comprehensive assessment of academic learning styles and skills, courses in reading, writing, and math and tutoring services.

## **International Opportunities**

Each year, students from 80–100 different countries enroll at Andrews University. More than 25% of the students come from other countries. This places the university among the top level of small American universities with high percentages of international students. One experiences the reality of a global village while attending college.

Students who wish to immerse themselves fully in American culture may enroll in the Action America program on the Andrews campus.

International education opportunities include study abroad (p. 17), study tours and short-term service learning opportunities abroad (pp. 17, 37).

<sup>1</sup> North Central Association of Colleges and Schools; 30 N. La Salle Street, Suite 2400, Chicago, IL 60602; Tel. (312) 263-0456.