



Pathways to Religious Leadership

How Can Starr King Support Your Call

Agent of Sacred Social Change

Starr King School for the Ministry can help you grow in your vision, skills, and spiritual grounding to make a difference in the world. Our Master of Arts in Social Change (MASC) was launched in 2005 and was one of the first of its kind in the world. MASC is a professional, 2-year degree program that prepares students to become spiritually grounded agents of sacred social change and transformative leaders.

Chaplaincy

Starr King has created multiple pathways to chaplaincy in a variety of settings. Our Chaplaincy Concentration can be added to either the MDiv or MASC programs. This means you can get the kind of education you want and need for the type of chaplain you want to be, whether it's in a hospital, hospice, military, etc. For those who already have a master's degree, we also offer a Certificate in Chaplaincy Studies.

Community Ministry

Feeling a call to ministry, but don't want to lead a congregation? Community ministry might be the answer for you. The Joint MDiv/MASC degree prepares students to minister in a variety of settings and is a great option for those called to work in community settings. This combination will ensure your readiness for both the social justice and ministry work that's needed in community ministry.

Try a Class as a Special Student

If you think you're feeling a call to ministry or are deep in the discernment process, try taking a class at Starr King without enrolling in a program! Those who take courses outside of a degree or certificate program are called Special Students and we welcome them in most courses. **Hot tip:** starting off with our Educating to Counter Oppressions (ECO) Core class will provide you with the prerequisite for most other courses.

Congregational Ministry

For those interested in Unitarian Universalist congregational ministry, Starr King has created the Unitarian Universalist Concentration to be paired with the Master of Divinity. This concentration lays out the required courses, readings, and more that are required for fellowship in the Unitarian Universalist Association and supports students through the Ministerial Fellowship Committee's areas of ministerial competence.