The Salvation Army and Trevecca: A History of Shared Ministry

In 1905, Trevecca Nazarene University’s campus moved to 4th Avenue in downtown Nashville, standing literally in the shadows of both the Ryman Auditorium — formerly the Union Gospel Tabernacle, where General William Booth preached to standing-room-only crowds in 1903 — and The Salvation Army Nashville Headquarters on Commerce Street. Here we began a partnership of ministry that has born real fruit over the last century. In those early years, Salvation Army officers and Trevecca students worked together to feed the working poor of the city and offer assistance and help to families who lived on Nashville’s downtown streets. Salvationists and Trevecca students worked side by side in the Benson Printing Company that joined our two campuses. Those early efforts in ministry began a partnership that continues to this day. Over the years, we have held joint evangelistic meetings and preached together at church and corps meetings. Trevecca students have rung bells for the Army during Christmas kettle drives and have adopted Angel Tree children. Today, in this same spirit of cooperation, we stand together as we work to establish social justice in the city of Nashville.

Contact Information

Information about admission to Trevecca’s traditional programs can be found at www.trevecca.edu/admissions or by calling the Office of Admissions at 888-210-4868 or 615-248-1320.

More information concerning additional scholarships and other financial assistance can be found at www.trevecca.edu/admissions/tuition-aid or by calling the Office of Financial Aid at 615-248-1242.

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Certificate in Praise & Worship
www.npwi.com

Salvation Army landing page: www.trevecca.edu/salvation-army

Certificate Programs

Trevecca’s undergraduate and graduate certificate programs are just right for those seeking specific skills without diving into an entire degree program. Undergraduate certificates are available in Praise and Worship, and graduate certificates are offered in Management and Leadership, Healthcare Administration, Information Technology, and Project Management.

Certificate in Praise and Worship

The National Praise and Worship Institute (NPWI) offers one- and two-year undergraduate certificates in training praise and worship leaders for the music of the church of today and tomorrow.
Trevecca has a long-standing reputation for preparing students for lives of Christian leadership and service. A regionally-accredited, private, four-year liberal arts university, Trevecca develops students who are socially conscious, globally aware, and actively engaged in the educational, social, and spiritual life of the community. Trevecca offers more than 80 areas of study, including business, education, social work and nursing. Specific programs provide specialized training for those, like you, who work in the ministry.

Religion/Religious Studies/Intercultural Studies

The Millard Reed School of Theology and Christian Ministry provides the student called to ministry the finest training possible in the classical disciplines of Bible, theology, and church history as well as in the practices of ministry necessary for serving the 21st century global community. The School offers three undergraduate majors — Religion, Religious Studies, and Intercultural Studies, each of which provides unique opportunities for Salvationists to gain skills needed to work with their local corps, participate in cross-cultural engagement, or pursue graduate education.

Worship Arts

Trevecca’s Worship Arts major offers Salvationists the knowledge and skills needed to serve their corps as worship pastors. Students supplement their major with a minor that provides further training and expertise in an artistic field of their choosing. Through the program, students develop informed minds, passionate hearts, and engaged hands to fulfill the call of God.

Social Justice

Through Trevecca’s Social Justice program, Salvationists can study a biblically based curriculum that empowers them to become servant leaders in today’s hurting world. Students engage in a core, interdisciplinary curriculum that captures insights from the fields of business, law, sociology, social work, science, and religion. Students can choose one of three areas of concentration: Non-profit and Congregational Leadership, Public Policy, or Environmental Justice.

Scholarships for Traditional Students

Students associated with The Salvation Army may receive one of the following scholarships:

- Scholarship for Officers’ Children: $5,000 annually
- Up to eight semesters
- Through age 23
- Minimum 12-hour course load

OR

- Salvationist’s Scholarship: Up to $4,000 annually
- Up to eight semesters
- Through age 23
- Minimum 12-hour course load

Adult Studies

Trevecca’s adult studies programs are designed to provide working adult students the opportunity to complete a college degree in a schedule and format particularly tailored to meet their unique needs. Programs are offered in the following areas: Christian Ministry, Business Administration, Management and Human Relations, Computer Information Technology, and Healthcare Information Technology.

Christian Ministry Program (CMP)

The Christian Ministry Program is a cooperative degree-completion program conducted by Trevecca for and with The Salvation Army Southern Territory for the sake of officer and cadet continuing education and academic advancement. The program offers continuing education and baccalaureate credit for Salvationists planning to develop their mission, leadership, and ministry skills. The program also seeks to encourage lifelong learning by providing the Southern Territory with educational support for its officers, soldiers, employees, and volunteers.

Christian Ministry Online (CMO)

This bachelor of arts degree is a fully online program that equips Salvationists and other leaders to enhance their ministries through the discovery, evaluation, and application of ministry models. The curriculum’s major emphasis is to prepare persons for various areas of Christian service by developing:

- A holistic mindset
- A missional vision
- Servant-leadership skills
- Ministry competence

Management and Human Relations Online (MHR)

With its focus on the key components of management, communications, human relations, and organizational behavior, the MHR program provides Salvationists the opportunity to gain and strengthen skills essential to the administration of a Salvation Army corps.

Undergraduate Programs

Trevecca has partnered with The Salvation Army to provide educational services for cadets and officers in the Southern Territory. Our common Wesleyan tradition, dedication to lifelong learning and commitment to serving others, has fueled our joint mission: to provide an educational experience that enhances the spiritual lives and ministries of those called to serve the Kingdom as Salvation Army officers, soldiers, and employees. This mission, in turn, fuels our vision of transforming the world by reaching and equipping those who minister to the world.

Come, be a part of the Trevecca experience. At Trevecca, you will enjoy an education that provides knowledge and opportunities that expand your practical expertise and enhance your God-given passion to serve. We have several programs to meet your educational needs, whether you want to begin or complete an undergraduate or graduate degree, earn a certificate, or simply take a class or two.

Whatever your need, we invite you to come experience Trevecca and let God work in and through you, equipping you to continue “Doing the Most Good.”

Graduate Programs

Trevecca’s graduate programs combine contemporary curriculum with Christian spirituality to provide a holistically engaging educational experience. We offer graduate programs in six different fields and multiple formats, including one fully online program.

Master of Organizational Leadership (MOL)

The MOL program was developed specifically with Salvationists in mind. It is an interdisciplinary degree designed to enhance leadership competencies in a variety of real-world situations. Through the program, Salvationists gain insight that helps them apply leadership principles to the management of a Salvation Army corps.

Key issues covered in the program include:

- Personal leadership
- Organizational culture and politics
- Conflict management and negotiation
- Leading in diverse communities

The professors in the MOL program are skilled, conscientious, and dedicated. They challenged us to grow in our roles as servant leaders. Every day I was invited and challenged to see in interpersonal and organizational leadership from a brand new perspective.

—Marion Platt M, Florida Divisional Youth Secretary, MOL 2012