
Application Information

Partners in Ministry (PIM) Certificate Program

We are glad that you are considering the Partners in Ministry (PIM) Certificate Program at East Asia School of Theology. The PIM program at EAST is unique in that very few theological schools offer a program designed to equip wives of seminary students as well as wives of men in full-time ministry and bi-vocational ministry.

The PIM Program was developed out of the firm conviction that married couples called into vocational and bi-vocational ministry would bear much fruit when they are equipped to serve alongside each other. As a result, the PIM Certificate Program offers courses designed to equip wives as partners in ministry with their husbands.

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The PIM two-year Certificate Program offers courses that aim to ground women in their identity in Christ, Christian character and life skills. If you enter the program, you will learn basic skills in studying the Bible and gain an overview of the New Testament so you can learn to appreciate and apply God's Word in your life. You are given opportunities to discover your significance and uniqueness in ministry. Foundational principles of Christian marriage and parenting are taught to strengthen your family life in your ministry contexts.

We recognise the reality that not all wives of men in full-time and bi-vocational ministry can come to Singapore for the residential two-year PIM Certificate Program. EAST also offers the PIM two-year Certificate Program as a fully online program for wives whose husbands are in full-time or bi-vocational ministry but cannot come to Singapore. If you have questions about the PIM program, email the PIM Program Director, Mrs Margaret Chan, at margaret@east.edu.sg.

Application Requirements

As an applicant for the PIM Certificate Program, you must complete the following requirements:

1. Partners in Ministry (PIM) Application form. Answer all items using a computer or write in print format using black ink.
2. Recent passport-sized photo. No one else should be included in the photo with you.
3. Personal identification document. A photocopy of passport or government-issued identity card for internationals and the NRIC for Singaporeans/Singapore PRs.
4. Biographical information. The application form indicates the two questions that must be answered.
5. Sponsorship letter. This is required if your PIM studies is not self-sponsored. The sponsor is to write a letter that indicates name of student being sponsored and emailed to admissions@east.edu.sg.
6. Submission of S\$30.00 application fee.
7. References from your pastor and one other person who knows you for at least two years. *Note:* neither reference should be related to you. If the pastor is your husband or a relative, then list as a reference another member of the pastoral staff or a ministry worker who knows you for at least two years.
8. Possible visit with a PIM instructor to determine level of English proficiency.

Once all application requirements have been fulfilled, your application will be evaluated. You will then be notified of the result of your application for admission.

If you have any questions about the admissions process, email the EAST Admissions Office at admissions@east.edu.sg.

PIM Tuition Fees and Expenses

The tuition fee for women accepted into the PIM program is S\$50.00 per credit hour for a total of S\$800.00 to complete the 16-credit program. Most semesters PIM students enroll for four credits. The registration fee each semester is waived for women accepted into the PIM program.