

PMA Program Nebraska Synod ELCA

Estimated cost of Parish Ministry Associate study program

Program timeline: 2-5 years. (There will be times that this timeline may be adjusted per individual student due to situations beyond control of student.)

Course/Rental/Task	Fee	Notes
Application Fee	\$50.00 Check: Nebraska Synod ELCA PMA Program Memo: Application Fee	This is sent with your application as you begin the PMA program application process. <i>This fee includes the cost for required background checks.</i>
On-line courses through SELECT Learning (www.selectlearning.org)	See SELECT Learning website for prices and contact information. See Student Handbook Section 8.F	See page 2 of this form for addresses/contact information. https://www.selectlearning.org
Facilitator-led course, using	Student Handbook Section 8.E \$75 per credit Example: <i>Introduction To N.T.</i> is 3 credits. Cost is \$75.00 per credit hour. Total cost: \$ 225.00 plus any books that might be required. SELECT reading fee: \$15.00 (see below)	The course fee is to be sent to the PMA Administrator office on or before the first day that the class meets. <i>See Handbook Section B. 5.</i> *If you wish to purchase the DVD's you can see prices at SELECT. One option might be to have your congregation purchase the DVDs and have them on hand in the church library for congregational use.
Independent Study Option #1: Doing your coursework by renting course DVD from PMA office. Option #2: Doing your coursework using a DVD purchased from SELECT.	Purchase of DVD course from SELECT (<i>see SELECT store; prices vary</i>) or rental from PMA office (<i>See below</i>) Select Reading fee: \$15.00 (see below)	This option is for those PMA students who are in a location where it is difficult to get together with other students. They may work with their mentor/supervising pastor. <i>See Handbook Section B. 5.</i> When you rent our DVDs keep in mind there may be other PMA students who will request the course, so you'll need to complete the course in a timely manner.
Rental fee for course DVD from the PMA office. This includes postage fee.	\$25.00 per DVD Check written to: Nebraska Synod PMA Program Memo: DVD rental	DVD rental from PMA Office. Rental fee must be paid before DVD can be shipped to you.

Paper reading fee through SELECT Learning.	\$15.00 per reading. You will need to “buy” paper reading at SELECT under Final paper guidelines. See SELECT website.	Every core course requires a final paper, which is read by SELECT Learning staff. Keep in mind that every time your paper is “redone,” it will need to be re-read, and that means another reading fee needs to be paid.
Books and other resources for courses	These costs will vary. This information is available through SELECT Learning and set up by the professor teaching the course.	Check with other students; check church library or local public library for inter-library loans; ask your pastor; or utilize the bookseller of your choice. We have a VERY limited number of books in the PMA Office.

PMA students are required to attend three (3) **PMA Convocations** during the time they are in the study program. This cost will vary. The costs will be for room/board and the program. This may be something that your congregation is willing to assist you with financially.

For “need based” scholarship see: PMA Student Handbook, Section 8.B.

Send checks for Application Fee (with your application) and Facilitator-led courses to:

Nebraska Synod PMA Office
 Pr. Carol Mapa, PMA Administrator
 P.O. Box 1462
 North Platte, NE 69103-1462

For information/resources about on-line courses, reading fee, and SELECT purchases contact SELECT:

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