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New Degree at AU

Andrews University is pleased to announce the start of a new four-year bachelor of science degree in engineering with two concentrations: electrical and computer engineering, and mechanical engineering. This new program builds on Andrews' tradition of excellent science and mathematics programs and makes use of the rich honors and general education courses available at the university.

Freshman and sophomore levels commence in the fall of 2003, and prospective students are currently being accepted. Interested students are strongly encouraged to contact the engineering department and to visit the web site.

For more information, contact Ronald Johnson at the Engineering and Computer Science Department by phone at (269) 471-3368 or 471-3420; e-mail johnsonr@andrews.edu; or visit andrews.edu/ENGRS.

Katie Shaw, University Relations news writer

Andrews Hosts Academy Musicians

Nearly 200 participants from 13 different Adventist academies spread across the United States, Puerto Rico, and Canada came to the Andrews University Band and Keyboard Music Festival, Feb. 19–22. The festival gave those that attended a chance to hone their musical talents, socialize, and get to know Andrews University.



Andrews University hosted 160 participants from 13 academies for the Band and Keyboard Music Festival, Feb. 19–22.

A key person in the festival was Douglas Smith from the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. The composer/director/educator served as guest band clinician. Andrews University-based keyboard clinicians were Peter Cooper, Kenneth Logan, and Carlos Flores. Alan Mitchell, Andrews University Wind Symphony director, coordinated the festival.

Bjorn Karlman, student news writer

Teacher in the Spotlight

Kenneth Stout was rather shy growing up. While having a strong desire to serve the Lord, he did not see himself going into the ministry. So the fact that he is now a professor of preaching and coordinator of the preaching program at the Seventh-day Adventist Theological Seminary at Andrews University takes some explaining.

According to Stout, his father a committed local elder and lay preacher was a powerful influence on him. He humbly modeled Christianity, and his practical faith made a huge impact, showing how it fit into every aspect of life, Stout said.



Kenneth Stout

As the young Stout began his college studies at Columbia Union College, he wasn't sure what direction to take in life. The chairman of the theology department saw potential in Stout for ministry. He told Stout that he should let go of his reservations and follow God's leading. Stout followed his professor's advice and, with the encouragement of his pastor and others, became increasingly convicted that he was on the right track.

Before teaching at Andrews, Stout pastored extensively and received both master of divinity and doctor of ministry degrees from Andrews University. He also taught practical theology and chaired the religion department at Columbia Union College and received a Ph.D. in preaching from the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville, Ky. In order to help students develop their skills, Stout uses a variety of teaching methods. He enjoys the new preaching lab that he describes as well-outfitted, and the most high-tech classroom on campus. In a typical year, Stout listens to and evaluates about 325 student sermons. He jokes that it's equivalent to attending church for six years in one year.

Stout feels that the task of being a preaching professor at Andrews is an exciting, yet humbling and sacred responsibility as it helps shape worldwide preaching in the Adventist Church. For him, the most important thing to communicate to students is, the reality that Christ is their Creator, Lord, Savior, and best Friend, and that it is their great privilege to serve Him and to proclaim His love to the world!

Bjorn Karlman, student news writer