Seminary Wives Institute  
Frequently Asked Questions

May I take asynchronous classes if I live in Louisville and work on Thursday nights or cannot arrange for child care?  
We will answer this on a case by case basis but discourage it! We would need to know the reason when you register. We are truly thankful for technology that allows for asynchronous classes but there is nothing like face to face instruction and most students are not in Louisville for long!

Will it be possible to graduate from SWI without taking any on campus courses?  
We are certainly working to that end! Discipleship will be a bit tricky but if students can attend it by remote residential, that will work, especially since we offer it both on Wednesday morning and Thursday evenings, Eastern time! Our required Family Life Conference is the other issue as it requires both husband and wife to attend but we are working on that.

Speaking of graduation, I was only a few courses short of completing the three year program while we were at Southern. Can I take those courses on SWI Online and graduate?  
Yes! We would love to see students finish the program. Email us at swi@s RTS.edu and we will be glad to let you know what courses you need to take to fulfill the requirements.

I took some SWI classes when we were at Southern, does that mean I get the $20 class rate?  
We will be glad to welcome you back! But we are offering this perk to those students who indeed completed the program and graduated with either the regular certificate or the advanced one. And if you decide to pursue graduation remotely as described above, you will then be charged $20 per class as an alum.

How does Discipleship work online as it is a small group class?  
As stated above, this class will have to be taken as a remote residential class and will not be offered as an asynchronous class but hopefully, most students will be able to arrange schedules for 12 weeks to be available either Wednesday morning or Thursday evening, Louisville time.

May I take asynchronous classes simultaneously with on campus classes? recording?  
We will be glad to talk about this. See the Asynchronous Logistics document posted on our webpage for some specific examples of when we allow and even encourage it.

I am not a ministry wife but I have a great desire to learn and am very interested in the unique curriculum offered by SWI. May I take all of the classes offered? Absolutely! You would likely not gain as much benefit from our 12 week Essentials for the Minister’s Wife courses but you may take them. Realize that teachers will refer to life as ministry wives since that is our core group.

I am so interested in these classes but fear I will not have the time to complete the work or will not be able to give it as much time as I wish. Can’t I just watch the videos?  
We hear this often but are adamantly about not allowing audits for a long list of good reasons. We are long suffering! Upon request, we will work with you and give you extensions for completing the short assignments and reading. Remember, these are certificate level courses and are not rigorous. There are quizzes, assignments and required reading of short books. There are no mid term or final exams, research papers or lengthy texts.
Do you have a question that was not covered here or on our other posts? Please email us at swi@sberts.edu and we will be happy to help.