

Statement About Enrollment Changes at UWSI

In our ongoing efforts to improve our education services, we have some important upcoming changes to our policies at Unity Worldwide Spiritual Institute (UWSI).

Beginning January 1, 2022, anyone wishing to receive credits for a field course, from their local ministry or otherwise, will need to enroll with UWSI before they can receive credit. This one-time enrollment form and fee of \$35 to take UWSI courses is not new; it has been in place since 2016, when the school moved from Unity Institute to UWSI. The **only change** being made is to bring all UWSI field course credits under the umbrella of UWSI enrollment.

Our reasoning behind this change:

- **Eliminate confusion:** Many students who take field courses experience confusion when they attempt to register for a non-field course, whether it is SEE, LUT Path, or ministerial course, because they are asked to enroll and pay the one-time \$35.00 enrollment fee. They often assume that because they have registered for courses with a Unity church or on the UWSI field course webpage that they are already students. This decision will alleviate that confusion.
- **Automate processes:** Because our policy has been to allow field course students to remain unenrolled in the school in the past, we have had to create our credit and registration processes to be manual entry only. This new policy will allow our school to fully automate the enrollment and registration process, so students can seamlessly and instantly access new accounts.
- **Free up staff resources for other services:** With this new automated policy in place, it will allow our staff to have more time and resources to support our students more fully, without backtracking an enrollment process.

Because we already track and maintain field course credits and records for both students who are enrolled, **and** for those who are not enrolled, it only makes sense that all who take for-credit Unity courses be enrolled in our school. Ultimately, this allows us to have the most accurate and up-to-date information for everyone, and it will significantly reduce the amount of manual entry tasks we currently have in the office, freeing us up to better support the field with what matters most to you.

The How's:

1. Go to www.unityworldwideministries.org/uwsi
2. Hover over "Getting Started" on the top of the page, in the middle.
3. Click on "Enroll in Unity Worldwide Spiritual Institute". The link is below.
[Enrollment Form - Unity Worldwide Spiritual Institute | Unity Worldwide Ministries](#)
4. Complete the form.
5. Once you have completed the form, you will be directed to pay your \$35.00 enrollment fee.

There are no links to help you determine if you are already enrolled. The system we currently use is not set up to assist us with that request. If you would like to know your status, you can email Rachel Gaither, Assistant Registrar with UWSI at rgaither@unity.org. Alternatively, you can register for a course and Rachel will reach out to you, asking you to enroll, if her records indicate that you are not enrolled.