



Doctor of Ministry

The Doctor of Ministry (DMin) is designed to provide advanced training in the practice of biblically and theologically oriented ministry to those actively involved in vocational or bivocational ministry. The program concentrates on developing expertise in the biblical rationale, sociological strategy, and practical implementation of ministry.

Required Courses

DM7101 The Ministry Leader

Barfoot, Burke, Heidenreich

Concentrating on two primary elements, personal awareness and leadership practice, students are provided the opportunity to engage in a series of self-assessments leading to a statement of life vision. The leadership-development process is also examined through case studies, leadership literature, and selected leadership concerns. *3 hours.*

DM7102 Applied Research Project Development Seminar

Barfoot, Dickens, Lawson, Postell, Wofford

A "walk-through" of the development of the applied research and dissertation, including problem-statement, research question, hypotheses, research design, theoretical grounding and literature review, and biblical-theological foundation. The course also explores thesis-writing strategies and ministry-research methods. *3 hours.*

DM7103 The Applied Research Project

Barfoot, Dickens, Lawson, Makidon, Shyu

DMin studies culminate in the completion of an applied research project. A report of the student's project is submitted as a dissertation. Note that the term "applied research project" refers to the entire project. The term "dissertation" refers to the actual written document. Students may register for DM7103 only after they have been admitted to candidacy for the DMin degree. *3 hours.*

DM7105 Applied Research Continuation

The Department

The applied research continuation course is required of all students writing a research project who are beyond one year in the applied research process. Students must register for this course each summer and winter until completion of the applied research project. *1 hour.*

Elective Courses

Students enrolled in the Doctor of Educational Ministry program may take select Doctor of Ministry elective courses with approval from the Doctor of Educational Ministry office. In the same manner, students enrolled in the Doctor of Ministry program may take select Doctor of Educational Ministry elective courses with approval from the Doctor of Ministry office.

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Bible

DM7205 Selected Topics of Biblical Issues in Today's Ministry

The Department

A study of selected biblical issues and their significance for ministry. This seminar is offered based on student interest. May be repeated once for credit under a different topic. May also be credited for DE7205 Selected Topics of Biblical Issues in Today's Ministry in the Doctor of Educational Ministry department. 3 hours.

DM7210 Interpretation and Communication of Narrative Literature

Warren

A study of accurate interpretation and effective communication of this unique form of literature. May also be credited for DE7210 Interpretation and Communication of Narrative Literature in the Doctor of Educational Ministry department. 3 hours.

Christian Education

DM7305 Selected Topics of Christian Education Issues in Today's Ministry

Ballard, Lawson

A study of selected issues and their significance for ministry. This seminar is offered based on student interest. May be repeated once for credit under a different topic. May also be credited for DE7305 Selected Topics of Christian Education Issues in Today's Ministry in the Doctor of Educational Ministry department. 3 hours.

DM7315 Creative Problem-Solving

Lawson

A presentation of problem-solving strategies that will enable students to identify, analyze, and propose solutions for their most pressing ministry problems. Each problem and solution will then be critiqued, with a view to providing a more comprehensive solution. May also be credited for DE7315 Creative Problem-Solving in the Doctor of Educational Ministry department. 3 hours.

DM7320 Group Process in Church Ministry

Ortiz

The examination and practice of group skills necessary for promoting effective group work in committees, ministry teams, Bible studies, and fellowship groups. May also be credited for DE7320 Group Process in Church Ministry in the Doctor of Educational Ministry department. 3 hours.

DM7325 Family Life: Enrichment and Education

The Department

An exploration of the relationship between enrichment of family life and family life education programs in the church. The seminar format provides an opportunity to interact with leading authorities in the field of family ministry and to become aware of networking possibilities with family ministers. May also be credited for DE7325 Family Life: Enrichment and Education in the Doctor of Educational Ministry department. 3 hours.



DM7330 Biblical Patterns for Contemporary Parenting

Humphries, Lawson, Trent

An exploration of how biblical texts present patterns useful to parents for addressing contemporary parenting issues in family life. The seminar will provide opportunity for a survey of available resource materials, involvement in practical projects, and interaction with other professional ministers interested in the field. Students will assess the current status of ministries to parents in their own churches and devise strategies for enhancing those ministries. May also be credited for DE7330 Biblical Patterns for Contemporary Parenting in the Doctor of Educational Ministry department. 3 hours.

DM7335 Trends and Issues in Christian Education

Ballard

An examination of current educational paradigms in light of biblical anthropology and a Christian worldview. Students will identify and evaluate social and political trends at global and national levels in order to develop effective educational structures. May also be credited for DE7375-5 Trends and Issues in Christian Education in the Doctor of Educational Ministry department. 3 hours.

DM7340 Strategic Resource Development

Lawson

The development of three key resources in church ministry: people, finances, and space. Students will review various strategies to enable parishioners to discover, develop, and utilize God-given gifts. Issues in fundraising, financial proposals, and budget presentations will be discussed. Space allocation and utilization will be integrated into master planning and design strategies. May also be credited for DE7340 Strategic Resource Development in the Doctor of Educational Ministry department. 3 hours.

DM7345 Biblical Church Leadership and Church Staffing

The Department

A seminar in leadership style, process, and implementation, with a focus on developing biblical qualities, designing team ministry, and solving common problems in church educational leadership. 3 hours.

Communication

DM7405 Selected Topics of Communication Issues in Today's Ministry

The Department

A study of selected issues and their significance for ministry. This seminar is offered based on student interest. May be repeated once for credit under a different topic. *3 hours.*

DM7410 Homiletics Practicum

Barfoot, Raymer, Schill, Tie, Warren

This practicum includes an evaluation of three of the student's videotaped sermons, the preparation and use of various means of obtaining feedback on the student's preaching from the congregation, and the development of a year's preaching plan. Normally open to students who are currently pastoring churches. Limited enrollment. *3 hours.*

DM7415 Evangelism and Assimilation

Cecil

A study of strategies for evangelism and assimilation in the local church, including a biblical foundation, trends, and contextualization. May also be credited for DE7415 Evangelism and Assimilation in the Doctor of Educational Ministry department. *3 hours.*

DM7420 Creativity in Ministry

Grant, Lawson

A study of the principles and motivation for developing creativity in one's ministry and for teaching others to be creative in a ministry context. May also be credited for DE7420 Creativity in Ministry in the Doctor of Educational Ministry department. *3 hours.*

DM7425 Communicating in Contemporary Culture

B. Jones

A study of contemporary culture, with a view to enabling students to communicate effectively in their ministries. May also be credited for DE7425 Communicating in Contemporary Culture in the Doctor of Educational Ministry department. *3 hours.*

DM7430 Biblical Exposition for the 21st Century

Warren

Effective biblical preaching spans the gulf between the biblical world and the modern world. To accomplish this task, students will examine the communication process and development of expository messages toward improvement in their skills in preparation and delivery of biblical sermons. *3 hours.*



DM7435 Writing for Publication

Adeney, Engle, Glahn

A course designed to help pastors and other Christian leaders develop basic skills in writing articles for magazines, devotional materials, and items for lay readership, with attention to all phases of writing for publication from idea generation to manuscript delivery. May also be credited for DE7435 Writing for Publication in the Doctor of Educational Ministry department. *3 hours.*

DM7440 Communication Relevance in Preaching

Schmidt, Sunukjian

The development of a communicative model of relevance that provides strategies for contextualized preaching in various settings. Students will do an in-depth analysis of their respective audiences and develop a framework for demonstrating the relevance of biblical messages. *3 hours.*

DM7445 Self-Publishing for Ministry

Glahn

A skills-based course designed to help students develop the writing craft, self-publish, and market their written ministry-focused works. Students will write and read their own material during class time as well as edit and critique the writing of their fellow students. Enrollment limited to 9 students. May also be credited for DE7445 Self-Publishing for Ministry in the Doctor of Educational Ministry department. *3 hours.*

DM7450 Creativity in Preaching

Grant

A study of contemporary preaching styles and approaches, with a view to enabling the student to preach more effectively. *3 hours.*

DM7455 Preaching Topical Expository Sermons

Warren

A study aimed at preparing students to preach theological expositional messages, current-issues expositional messages, and biographical expositional messages. Enrollment limited to 12 students. *3 hours.*

DM7460 Long-Term Sermon Planning to Facilitate Life Change

Kaul

A method for developing a series of expository sermons on a book of the Bible or a topic. The preacher is able to know the central proposition of each sermon in a series before preaching the first sermon. This permits the creation of effective strategies for communication and life-change. *3 hours.*

DM7465 Advanced Expository Preaching Cohort

Barfoot, Burke, Raymer, Schill

This cohort explores an advanced study of the practical art and discipline of expository preaching as practiced in a church context. This specialty will reaffirm and refine the principles of homiletics. A major focus of this cohort includes leading from the pulpit, long-range sermon planning, and preaching the major biblical genres with accuracy and creativity. This cohort-based program will provide advanced study in audience analysis, variety in sermon structures, mentoring in homiletics, and preaching to the post-modern generation. Key aspects of this cohort specialty are peer-group interactive learning and individual mentoring in homiletics. The cohort seminars will meet for a total of three weeks (one week each, with intervening week-ends free, for three consecutive winters). Enrollment is limited to students participating in the Advanced Expository Preaching cohort. Students in Seminars 1 and 2 will also register concurrently for DM7101 The Ministry Leader and DM7102 Applied Research Project Development Seminar as noted below. *9 hours (3 hours each seminar).*



Seminar 1

Barfoot, Burke, Raymer, Schill

Initial introduction to reaffirming and refining the art and discipline of expository preaching. Students in this seminar will also register concurrently for DM7101 The Ministry Leader. 3 hours.

Seminar 2

Barfoot, Raymer, Schill

Continuation of reaffirming and refining the art and discipline of expository preaching, with an emphasis on creativity, relevance, and mentoring techniques in homiletics. Students in this seminar will also register concurrently for DM7102 Applied Research Project Development Seminar. 3 hours.

Seminar 3

Barfoot, Raymer, Schill

Conclusion of reaffirming and refining the art and discipline of expository preaching, with a focus on current trends and communication skills in current culture. 3 hours.

Interdepartmental

ID7201 Computer Tools for Biblical Exegesis

Chia, H. Harris

An introduction to the use of computer tools for original-language study for the student who has no previous background in Greek and Hebrew or who has had language courses some years previously. Students will learn how to do word studies, solve interpretive problems, and do basic exegetical work using available electronic tools. Selected computer software will be required as listed in the current syllabus. Enrollment is limited to 15 DEdMin students and currently enrolled DMin students. 3 hours.

Leadership and Administration

DM7505 Selected Topics of Administration and Development Issues in Today's Ministry

The Department

A study of selected issues and their significance for ministry. This seminar is offered based on student interest. May be repeated once for credit under a different topic. May also be credited for DE7505 Selected Topics of Administration and Development Issues in Today's Ministry in the Doctor of Educational Ministry department. 3 hours.

DM7506 Pastors of Large Churches Cohorts

A. Seidel and Smith

Evaluation of problems, programs, and/or procedures unique to pastors of large churches through case-study methodology. Emphasis will be placed on leadership and research methods. The cohort seminars will meet for 6 weeks (2 weeks each, with intervening weekends free, for 3 consecutive summers). Enrollment is limited to students participating in the Pastors of Large Churches emphasis. 18 hours (6 hours each seminar).

Seminar 1

A. Seidel and Smith

Initial introduction to evaluation of problems, programs, and/or procedures unique to pastors of large churches through case-study methodology, with emphasis on leadership and research methods. 6 hours.

Seminar 2

A. Seidel and Smith

Continuation of evaluation of problems, programs, and/or procedures unique to pastors of large churches through case-study methodology, with emphasis on leadership and research methods. 6 hours.



Seminar 3

A. Seidel and Smith

Conclusion of topics related to evaluation of problems, programs, and/or procedures unique to pastors of large churches through case-study methodology, with emphasis on leadership and research methods. *6 hours.*

DM7508 Executive/Associate Pastor Cohorts

Fletcher

Evaluation of problems, programs, and/or procedures unique to executive and associate pastors through case-study methodology. Emphasis will be placed on leadership and research methods. The cohort seminars will meet for a total of 3 weeks (1 week each, for 3 consecutive summers). Enrollment is limited to students participating in the Executive/Associate Pastors emphasis. *9 hours (3 hours each seminar).*

Seminar 1

Fletcher

Initial introduction to evaluation of problems, programs, and/or procedures unique to executive and associate pastors through case-study methodology, with emphasis on leadership and research methods. *3 hours.*

Seminar 2

Fletcher

Continuation of evaluation of problems, programs, and/or procedures unique to executive and associate pastors through case-study methodology, with emphasis on leadership and research methods. *3 hours.*

Seminar 3

Fletcher

Conclusion of topics related to evaluation of problems, programs, and/or procedures unique to executive and associate pastors through case-study methodology, with emphasis on leadership and research methods. *3 hours.*

DM7510 Leadership Evaluation and Development

The Department

LEAD is an intensely personal small-group seminar in leadership assessment and development dealing with the personalized steps needed to identify and solve leadership obstacles. Spouses must participate in the course. It covers several areas in the life of a Christian leader and his or her spouse: personal family history, marriage and family, personal life visions, preaching, and current ministry. Various resident periods are available. This course is scheduled through the Hendricks Center. May also be credited for DE7510 Leadership Evaluation and Development in the Doctor of Educational Ministry department. *3 hours.*

DM7515 Leadership and Management in the Church

A. Seidel, Zazueta

A study of critical leadership and management elements of church ministry. This course is intended to be a link between DM7101 The Ministry Leader and DM7525 Strategic Planning and Mission for Ministry. The ultimate goal of this course is to help the student become more effective and more efficient in church ministry. May also be credited for DE7515 Leadership and Management in the Church in the Doctor of Educational Ministry department. *3 hours.*

DM7520 Church Planting and Extension

Malphurs, Rowley

A study of church-planting strategies, with a focus on "mother-daughter" church extension strategies. Not included is cross-cultural church planting, which is covered extensively in DM7530. *3 hours.*



DM7521 Church Health, Leadership, and Multiplication Cohorts

Malphurs and Rowley

Evaluation of problems, programs, and/or procedures unique to church health, church leadership, and church multiplication. The cohort seminars will meet for a total of three weeks (one week each, for three consecutive summers). Enrollment is limited to students participating in the Church Health, Leadership, and Multiplication emphasis. Students in these seminars will also register concurrently for DM7101 The Ministry Leader, DM7102 Applied Research Project Development Seminar, and DM7901 Independent Study as noted below. *9 hours (3 hours each seminar).*

Seminar 1

Malphurs and Rowley

Initial introduction to evaluation of problems, programs, and/or procedures unique to church health. Students in this seminar will also register concurrently for DM7101 The Ministry Leader. May also be credited for DE7521 Seminar 1 in the Doctor of Educational Ministry department. *3 hours.*

Seminar 2

Malphurs and Rowley

Continuation of evaluation of problems, programs, and/or procedures unique to church leadership. Students in this seminar will also register concurrently for DM7102 Applied Research Project Development Seminar. May also be credited for DE7521 Seminar 2 in the Doctor of Educational Ministry department. *3 hours.*

Seminar 3

Malphurs and Rowley

Conclusion of evaluation of problems, programs, and/or procedures unique to church multiplication. Students in this seminar will also register concurrently for DM7901 Independent Study. May also be credited for DE7521 Seminar 3 in the Doctor of Educational Ministry department. *3 hours.*

DM7525 Strategic Planning and Mission for Ministry

Malphurs, Ponce

This course will help ministry leaders to think and plan strategically in four critical areas: (1) discover and articulate the ministry's core values, (2) craft a mission statement for the leader's ministry, (3) craft a vision statement for the leader's ministry, and (4) design a strategy to implement the mission and vision. May also be credited for DE7525 Strategic Planning and Mission for Ministry in the Doctor of Educational Ministry department. *3 hours.*

DM7530 Cross-Cultural Church Planting

Pocock

A study of biblical principles and relevant new research in church planting, with an analysis of a variety of case studies and effective outreach tools. *3 hours.*

DM7535 Developing Leadership through Discipleship, Mentoring, and Coaching

Anthony, Ballard

A study of biblical principles for developing mentoring and/or coaching relationships with others and the value of mentoring in ministry. Students will learn to develop leaders for their church or ministry through this effective, biblical process. May also be credited for DE7535 Developing Leadership through Discipleship, Mentoring, and Coaching in the Doctor of Educational Ministry department. *3 hours.*

DM7550 Effective Church Leadership: Stonebriar Community Church, Frisco, Texas

Brandenburg

An on-site study of the history, philosophy, and programs of Stonebriar Community Church. Students participate in the activities of the church and interact intensively with church leaders. Emphasis is placed on the application of the on-site experience to the student's personal ministry setting. The focus of this course is the staff and ministry dynamics of a large, multi-staff church. *3 hours.*

DM7553 Multicultural Ministry Cohorts

Barfoot, Burke, Chang, Lam, Ortiz

Evaluation of problems, programs, and/or procedures unique to pastors and ministry leaders in a multicultural ministry context through case-study methodology. The cohort seminars will meet for a total of 3 weeks (1 week each, for 3 consecutive winters). Enrollment is limited to students participating in the Multicultural Ministry emphasis. Students in these seminars will also register concurrently for DM7101 The Ministry Leader, DM7102 The Applied Research Project Development Seminar, and DM7901 Independent Study as noted below. *9 hours (3 hours each seminar).*

Seminar 1

The Department

An introduction to evaluation of problems, programs, and/or procedures unique to pastors and ministry leaders in multicultural ministry through case-study methodology. Students in this seminar will also register concurrently for DM7101 The Ministry Leader. *3 hours.*

Seminar 2

The Department

Continuation of evaluation of problems, programs, and/or procedures unique to pastors and ministry leaders in multicultural ministry through case-study methodology. Students will also register concurrently for DM7102 The Applied Research Project Development Seminar. *3 hours.*

Seminar 3

The Department

Conclusion of evaluation of problems, programs, and/or procedures unique to pastors and ministry leaders in multicultural ministry through case-study methodology. Students will also register concurrently for DM7901 Independent Study. *3 hours.*

DM7555 Dynamics of Ministry in the Missional Church

B. Jones

A study of the leadership issues, challenges, and opportunities confronting missional church leaders. This course introduces students to the history of the missional church movement, contrasts the missional church movement to the fragmenting emergent church movement, and describes how missional church pastors skillfully transition their church from internally focused forms of ministry to externally focused ones. *3 hours.*

DM7557 Rural and Small-Town Pastors Cohort

Klassen, VanGoethem

Evaluation of problems, programs, and/or procedures unique to pastoral leaders ministering in rural and small-town contexts. The cohort seminars will meet for a total of three weeks (one week each, for three consecutive summers). Enrollment is limited to students participating in the Rural and Small-Town Pastors emphasis. Students in these seminars will also register concurrently for DM7101 The Ministry Leader, DM7102 Applied Research Project Development Seminar, and DM7901 Independent Study as noted below. *9 hours (3 hours each seminar).*

Seminar 1

Klassen, VanGoethem

Initial introduction to evaluation of problems, programs, and/or procedures unique to rural and small-town church leadership. The emphasis will be on situational contexts of leadership. Students in this seminar will also register concurrently for DM7101 The Ministry Leader. *3 hours.*

Seminar 2

Klassen, VanGoethem

Continuation of evaluation of problems, programs, and/or procedures unique to rural and small-town church leadership. The emphasis will be on ministry strategy for leadership. Students in this seminar will also register concurrently for DM7102 Applied Research Project Development Seminar. *3 hours.*

Seminar 3

Klassen, VanGoethem

Conclusions of evaluation of problems, programs, and/or procedures unique to rural and small-town church leadership. The emphasis will be on pastoral-care issues. Students in this seminar will also register concurrently for DM7901 Independent Study or an elective. *3 hours.*

Nurture

DM7605 Selected Topics of Nurture Issues in Today's Ministry

The Department

A study of selected issues and their significance for ministry. This seminar is offered based on student interest. May be repeated once for credit under a different topic. May also be credited for DE7605 Selected Topics of Nurture Issues in Today's Ministry in the Doctor of Educational Ministry department. *3 hours.*

DM7610 The Primacy of the Minister's Spiritual Life

Adams, Wyrzten

Given the rate of ministerial burnout and fallout, ministers must not neglect their own spiritual journey. This seminar addresses the struggles faced in ministry and offers realistic strategies of hope for ongoing spiritual maturation. May also be credited for DE7610 The Primacy of the Minister's Spiritual Life in the Doctor of Educational Ministry department. 3 hours.

DM7615 Advanced Pastoral Psychology and Counseling

Barnes

A study of psychodynamics in relation to pastoral counseling and the study and practice of counseling techniques, emphasizing special problems in counseling. May also be credited for DE7615 Advanced Pastoral Psychology and Counseling in the Doctor of Educational Ministry department. 3 hours.

DM7620 Worship Enhancement and Effectiveness

Ralston, Sywulka and Wyrzten

An analysis of the theology of worship and worship trends, with a view toward leading God's people to appreciate and participate in worship. May also be credited for DE7620 Worship Enhancement and Effectiveness in the Doctor of Educational Ministry department. 3 hours.

DM7625 Discipleship Dynamics

Bailey

An examination of the concept of discipleship as defined by Christ as the seedbed strategy for developing Christian character. The characteristics of a disciple articulated in the Gospels are carefully correlated with the practice of discipleship in the church as described in the Epistles. May also be credited for DE7625 Discipleship Dynamics in the Doctor of Educational Ministry department. 3 hours.

DM7630 Ministry's Ethical Dilemmas

Williams

A study of current political, medical, and legal issues in the light of Scripture, with attention to the ethical and moral implications of these issues on people engaged in ministry. Students bring case studies to the seminar and develop a framework for decision-making and resolution. May also be credited for DE7630 Ministry's Ethical Dilemmas in the Doctor of Educational Ministry department. 3 hours.

DM7635 Marriage and Family Counseling

Dickens, F. Jones, Wu

An examination of the theoretical foundations of healthy Christian family life, with emphasis on practical skills and counseling techniques in the assessment, intervention, and resolution of marital and family problems. Enrollment limited to 20 students. May also be credited for DE7635 Marriage and Family Counseling in the Doctor of Educational Ministry department. 3 hours.

DM7640 Human Sexuality

Barnes

An introductory course in human sexuality to help church leaders develop strategies for pastoral care as well as programs that deal with sexual issues across the life span. Students will be introduced to theology of sexuality, a basic model of addressing sexual issues in pastoral care, basics of sexual biology and psychology, sexual development, sexual dysfunction, and basic intervention programs for the prevention of sexual problems and the promotion of healthy sexuality. Students will also be challenged in their own growth and development in these areas. May also be credited for DE7640 Human Sexuality in the Doctor of Educational Ministry department. 3 hours.

DM7641 Sexual Educator Certification I

Barnes

This course will focus on enhancing the practice of ministry for church educators and ministry leaders at the doctoral level with applied skills for the prevention of sexual problems and to promote healthy sexual development. The three specific topics of the course are (1) single sexuality, (2) men's sexual integrity, and (3) marital sexual intimacy. May also be credited for DE7641 Sexual Educator Certification I in the Doctor of Educational Ministry department. 3 hours.

DM7642 Sexual Educator Certification II

Barnes

This course will focus on enhancing the practice of ministry for church educators and ministry leaders at the doctoral level with applied skills for the prevention of sexual problems and to promote healthy sexual development. The three specific topics of the course are (1) female sexuality, (2) premarital sexual preparation, and (3) marital sexual and personal spiritual formation. May also be credited for DE7642 Sexual Educator Certification II in the Doctor of Educational Ministry department. 3 hours.

DM7643 Sexual Educator Certification III

Barnes

This course will focus on enhancing the practice of ministry for church educators and ministry leaders at the doctoral level with applied skills for the prevention of sexual problems and to promote healthy sexual development. The three specific topics of the course are (1) parents teaching children sex education, (2) adolescent sexuality, and (3) sexual identity development. May also be credited for DE7643 Sexual Educator Certification III in the Doctor of Educational Ministry department. 3 hours.

DM7645 Biblical Conflict Resolution I

Barnes

This course will focus on conflict coaching and mediation training skills needed for biblical conflict resolution. Conflict coaching skills equip the conciliator to work with only one of the parties to the conflict in a one-on-one setting. Mediation training equips the conciliator to work with two or more people in conflict desiring reconciliation. This training is offered in partnership with Peacemaker Ministries and will be conducted at their training site. This is the first of three courses required for the "Certified Christian Conciliator" credential offered by Peacemaker Ministries. May also be credited for DE7645 Biblical Conflict Resolution I in the Doctor of Educational Ministry department. 3 hours.



DM7646 Biblical Conflict Resolution II

Barnes

This course will focus on advanced training skills needed for biblical conflict resolution in conflict coaching, mediation, and arbitration. The course will address a process that is an alternative to civil litigation for parties who are seeking assistance in disputes between individuals and/or organizations. This training is offered in partnership with Peacemaker Ministries and will be conducted at their training site. This is the second of three courses required for the "Certified Christian Conciliator" credential offered by Peacemaker Ministries. May also be credited for DE7646 Biblical Conflict Resolution II in the Doctor of Educational Ministry department. 3 hours.

DM7647 Biblical Conflict Resolution III

Barnes

This course will focus on advanced training skills needed for biblical conflict resolution in one of three specific applications: (1) intervening in church conflict; (2) reconciling marital conflict; or (3) peacemaking cross-culturally. Students will select only one of these three application areas for their entire course focus. This training is offered in partnership with Peacemaker Ministries and will be conducted at their training site. This is the third of three courses required for the "Certified Christian Conciliator" credential offered by Peacemaker Ministries. May also be credited for DE7647 Biblical Conflict Resolution III in the Doctor of Educational Ministry department. 3 hours.

DM7650 Spiritual Formation Cohort

B. Jones, Pokorny

A study of Christian spiritual formation for ministry practitioners. This cohort comprises three seminars that will give special attention to the theology and history of Christian spirituality, personal and corporate practices of spiritual formation, and the process of providing spiritual nurture and guidance to others. The cohort seminars will meet for a total of 6 weeks (2 weeks each, with intervening weekends free, for 3 consecutive summers). 18 hours (6 hours each seminar).

Seminar 1

B. Jones, Pokorny

An introduction to Christian spiritual formation for ministry practitioners. This seminar will focus on the biblical and theological foundations for spiritual formation and the history of the church's engagement in spiritual formation in the patristic, medieval, reformation, and modern eras. The history of spiritual formation will be studied, with special attention given to the contemporary appropriation of key insights and practices from the church's past. May also be credited for DE7650 Seminar 1 in the Doctor of Educational Ministry department. 6 hours.

Seminar 2

B. Jones, Pokorny

An introduction to the personal and corporate practices of spiritual formation for ministry practitioners. This seminar will focus on the classical spiritual disciplines, including prayer, fasting, biblical meditation, and acts of service as well as the history and practice of corporate worship. It is designed to help students understand, engage in, and lead others in the practice of the spiritual disciplines that are commended in Scripture and developed throughout the history of the church. May also be credited for DE7650 Seminar 2 in the Doctor of Educational Ministry department. 6 hours.

Seminar 3

B. Jones, Pokorny

An examination of the process of providing nurture and guidance to others in spiritual formation for ministry practitioners. This seminar will focus on the history and practice of soul care and spiritual direction as well as the contemporary practice of spiritual formation in small groups. May also be credited for DE7650 Seminar 3 in the Doctor of Educational Ministry department. 6 hours.

Theology

DM7705 Selected Topics of Theological Issues in Today's Ministry

The Department

A study of selected theological issues and their significance for ministry. This seminar is offered based on student interest. May be repeated once for credit under a different topic. May also be credited for DE7705 Selected Topics of Theological Issues in Today's Ministry in the Doctor of Educational Ministry department. 3 hours.

DM7710 The Charismatic Movement

Hannah

A study of the theological and historical framework of the charismatic movement, with exegesis of select biblical passages. May also be credited for DE7710 The Charismatic Movement in the Doctor of Educational Ministry department. 3 hours.

DM7720 Culture, Meaning, and Contextualization in Ministry

Mejía, Pocock, Richard

The development of a biblical theology of culture for a meaningful contextualized ministry in effective evangelism, discipleship, church planting, or expository preaching in cross-cultural contexts. May also be credited for DE7720 Culture, Meaning, and Contextualization in Ministry in the Doctor of Educational Ministry department. 3 hours.

DM7725 Ministries of Reconciliation

Peterson

A discussion of the biblical theology of ministries of reconciliation that allows students to develop a model for reconciliation ministries of their choice—racial, gender, marital, cultural, intrachurch, interchurch, restoration of a fallen leader, etc. The course goes beyond the "should" to develop the "how to" of reconciliation. May also be credited for DE7725 Ministries of Reconciliation in the Doctor of Educational Ministry department. 3 hours.

DM7735 The Ministry Leader and the Life of Prayer

The Department

A study of prayer and ministry leadership from a biblical, historical, and practical perspective. May also be credited for DE7735 The Ministry Leader and the Life of Prayer in the Doctor of Educational Ministry department. 3 hours.

DM7740 Trends in Contemporary Theological Movements

Kreider

A study of the historical and theological development of current trends in theology. Topics will vary according to student interest. May also be credited for DE7740 Trends in Contemporary Theological Movements in the Doctor of Educational Ministry department. 3 hours.

DM7745 Developing Biblical Strategies for Ministering to the Suffering*The Department*

This course is designed to shape a biblical theology of suffering in order to develop various ministry strategies that can be implemented by ministry leaders to aid the Christian community in meeting the needs of a suffering world. May also be credited for DE7745 Developing Biblical Strategies for Ministering to the Suffering in the Doctor of Educational Ministry department. 3 hours.

Women in Ministry

DM7805 Women in Christian Leadership*Baker and Edwards*

An analysis of Christian leadership, the unique characteristics of women as leaders, the significant contribution of women in the Bible, and effective ways for women to enhance and strengthen Christian ministry through effective team-building. May also be credited for DE7805 Women in Christian Leadership in the Doctor of Educational Ministry department. 3 hours.

DM7810 The Role of Women Related to Biblical, Historical, and Futuristic Issues*Baker and Edwards*

An exploration of biblical texts on the role of women in ministry, community, and the home; an examination of future trends; and the related impact of sound hermeneutics, culture, and history. May also be credited for DE7810 The Role of Women Related to Biblical, Historical, and Futuristic Issues in the Doctor of Educational Ministry department. 3 hours.

DM7815 Understanding Women in Contemporary Cultures*Baker and Edwards*

A study of selected cultural issues that affect women's spiritual lives today, including alternative spiritualities, feminism, gender-based epistemologies, and demographics and lifestyles of contemporary women. May also be credited for DE7815 Understanding Women in Contemporary Cultures in the Doctor of Educational Ministry department. 3 hours.

DM7820 Ministry Skills in Multiple Contexts*Baker and Edwards*

A seminar to expose women to practical ministry issues and skills, including conflict resolution, change process, team building, and technological opportunities and challenges in ministry. The course will equip students to evaluate and apply what they learn to their own ministry contexts for the purpose of building dynamic transformational ministries. May also be credited for DE7820 Ministry Skills in Multiple Contexts in the Doctor of Educational Ministry department. 3 hours.

DM7825 Caring for Women in Pain*Baker and Edwards*

An exploration of the unique characteristics and needs of women in pain and a discussion of ways to guide and mentor women back to spiritual health through effective caregiving skills and ministries. May also be credited for DE7825 Caring for Women in Pain in the Doctor of Educational Ministry department. 3 hours.

Directed Study

DM7901 Independent Study in Doctor of Ministry*The Department*

Independent research on some aspect of ministry studies. Normally the independent study is associated with the student's research project, though it may be related to other interests. Students may take up to two independent studies as part of their program. 1-4 hours.

DM7905 Special Topics*The Department*

This course is designed for students who choose to participate in special conferences, training, or programs that are more formal in nature and require student participation other than a standard independent study. Approved special topics will provide expertise or training not specifically covered in the seminary curriculum. Credit is allowed proportionate to the required amount of work but is not to exceed four credit hours on any one topic. Enrollment requires consent of the department. 1-4 hours.

