Spirituality and Story
Wesley Theological Seminary
Doctor of Ministry Program • May 2019
Application Deadline: February 15, 2019

Pastors live and work at the teeming intersection of stories. They follow a call and look for providence in their unfolding autobiographies. Pastors discern and lend themselves critically to the legends, tragedies, and emerging traditions of the congregations they serve. They do all this more or less intentionally shaped and informed by the great stories of the Bible and of the Church. This Doctor of Ministry program will further equip pastors to live and work at that intersection by focusing on narrative as a category of spirituality.

Class schedule*:
May 14—17 2019 Theology as Story — Dr. Sondra Wheeler
May 20—24, 2019: Narrative Collapse and Restoration: Story and Healing — Dr. Bruce G. Epperly
Oct 15—Nov 22, 2019 (on-line): Leader as Story Teller—Dr. Lovett H. Weems, Jr.
January 6—10, 2020: Using the Story to Preach the Story—Dr. O. Wesley Allen, Jr.
May 11—15, 2020: Engaging the Narratives of Other Religions — Dr. Sathianathan Clarke
Jan 4—8, 2021: Paul’s Use of Narrative to Shape Congregations — Dr. Carla Works
Jan 11—15, 2021: James Baldwin’s Understanding of God: Overwhelming Desire and Joy — Dr. Josiah Ulysses Young III

In addition, students are required to complete two elective courses from several classroom and online options and well as the required Project Seminar. The Project Seminar is offered January and May on campus and summer and fall online. Students need to have completed the seven courses above to register for the Project Seminar. Estimated Graduation: May 2023

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