Soul Care For Pastors, Chaplains, & Clinicians

Wesley Theological Seminary

Doctor of Ministry Program • May 2021

Application Deadline: February 15, 2021

This track focuses on the theoretical and practical tools necessary for more effective and reflective ministry in care and counseling. Strong emphasis on biblical and theological foundations combined with current theory and best practices. Students will grow in the ability to reflect as pastoral theologians and in the ability to respond to pressing human needs as skilled caregivers. Up to two units of CPE taken during matriculation may be designated as fulfilling the DMin elective requirement.

- Students will be able to analyze biblical texts and reflect theologically in the practice of pastoral care and counseling.
- Students will be able to engage constructively with perennial issues and currents trends in the theory and practice of pastoral care and counseling.



May 11-14, 2021

Foundations and New Directions in Soul Care
—Dr. Michael Koppel

May 17-21, 2021

The Bible and Soul Care Practices
—Dr. Denise Dombkowski Hopkins

July 5-August 13, 2021 ONLINE

Intercultural Pastoral Care and Counseling
—Rev. Anthony (Tony) Carr

October 18-November 24, 2021 ONLINE

Soul Care and Interreligious Dialogue
—Dr. Salih Sayilgan

January 3-7, 2022

Transversing Life's Transitions
—Dr. Joanne Comstock

January 10-14, 2022

Theological Foundations for Soul Care
—Dr. Beverly Mitchell

May 10-13, 2022

Pastoral Assessment, Diagnosis, and Psychopathology
—Dr. Doug Thorpe

May 16-20, 2022

Contemporary Issues in Soul Care
—Dr. Michael Koppel

In addition, students are required to complete two elective courses from several classroom and online options as 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 24 credit hours, which must include the core courses, to register for the Project Seminar.





Rev. Anthony T. Carr is a former Navy Chaplain, United Methodist clergy, and Professor at Wesley Theological Seminary

Dr. Joanne Comstock is Professor of Pastoral Counselling, Conflict Resolution, and Marriage and Family in Wesley Theological Seminary.

Dr. Denise Dombkowski Hopkins is Professor of Hebrew Bible and Woodrow W. and Mildred B. Miller Professor of Biblical Theology at Wesley Theological Seminary.

Dr. Michael S. Koppel is Howard Chandler Robbins Professor of Pastoral Theology and Congregational Care at Wesley Theological Seminary.

Dr. Beverly Mitchell is the Professor of Historical Theology at Wesley Theological Seminary.

Dr. Salih Sayilgan is Louisville Institute Post-Doctoral Fellow and Professor of Islamic and Interfaith Studies at Wesley Theological Seminary

Dr. Douglas M. Thorpe is Director of Education and Clinical Services at the Virginia Institute of Pastoral Care

Estimated Graduation: May 2025

Apply today.

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