

Spirituality and Story

Wesley Theological Seminary

Doctor of Ministry Program • January 2023

Application Deadline: October 15, 2022



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. *Earliest Graduation: May 2026*

Class schedule:

January 2-6, 2023 *Narrative Collapse and Restoration: Story and Healing* — Dr. Bruce G. Epperly

January 9-13, 2023 *Howard Thurman* — Dr. Beverly Mitchell

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May 1-June 9, 2023 *Leader as Story Teller* — Dr. Lovett Weems

September 4-October 13, 2023 *Embodied Proclamation for Preaching, Liturgy and Formation (online)* — Dr. Tracy Radosevic

May 7-10, 2024 *James Baldwin's Understanding of God* — Dr. Josiah Ulysses Young III

May 13-17, 2024 *Drama and Ministry*

January 6-10, 2025 *Creative Responses to Community Trauma*
Dr. Devon Abts

Professors:

Dr. Devon Abts is Assistant Director and Visiting Assistant Professor for the Luce Center for the Arts and Religion at Wesley Theological Seminary.

Dr. Bruce G. Epperly is the Pastor and Teacher of South Congregational Church, Centerville, Massachusetts. He is a theologian and author.

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

Dr. Tracy Radosevic is adjunct faculty at St. Mary's Ecumenical Institute and Wesley Theological Seminary.

Dr. Lovett H. Weems, Jr., is Distinguished Professor of Church Leadership and Senior Consultant, Lewis Center for Church Leadership, Wesley Theological Seminary

Dr. Josiah U. Young III, is Professor of Systematic Theology at Wesley Theological Seminary.

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.

Apply today.

For more information and to apply, please contact:

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