About the Doctor of Ministry

The Doctor of Ministry (DMin) degree is an intensive program that requires 30 credit hours of coursework and a project paper agreed upon by the director. It is a degree open to all clergy in active ministry who have the following:

- A Master of Divinity (MDV) degree from an institution accredited by the Association of Theological Schools
- An MDV GPA of 3.0 (B) or better
- Three or more years in an active ministry setting
- Strong record of leadership and previous study

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Educational Design

The Doctor of Ministry (D.Min.) degree is an intensive program that requires 30 credit hours of coursework and a project paper agreed upon by the director. Students must maintain a grade average of B - (minus) or better to remain in the program. Students will participate in courses offered primarily in one-week time-frames.

The D.Min. is structured to be completed in 3 years. However, students may take up to 6 years. Once students have completed the project seminar, they will be assigned a project reader to guide them during the writing process.

Admissions

Applicants for the Doctor of Ministry hold:

1. A Master of Divinity or equivalent from a seminary accredited by the Association of Theological Schools with a GPA of 3.0 or above

2. Three or more years in active ministry

Apply:

- Online Application
- Five references
- Three essays
- College & Seminary transcripts
- $60 application fee

Application Deadlines:

- October 15 for Winter tracks
- February 15 for Spring tracks
May 2024

Curating Community through the Arts

Develop the conceptual and practical skills to utilize the arts in ministry in fresh ways, which can ripple outwards to communities in need of creative leadership.

Application Deadline: February 15, 2024

Soul Care

The core courses explore a broad range of topics related both to chaplaincy tasks and to the vocational life of the individual chaplain.

Application Deadline: February 15, 2024

Church Leadership Excellence

Clergy will receive the enhanced knowledge, skills, and motivation to lead churches to increased service, vitality, and growth. Discover practices for leading the church toward the vision of God's reign.

Application Deadline: February 15, 2024

Howard Thurman

Equipping pastors to be prophetic leaders in the church and society. Courses are divided between Washington, D.C., and online.

Application Deadline: February 15, 2024

June 2024

Wesleyan Leadership in a Broken World: ‘The Hope that is Within You’

This track draws on the resources of the Wesleyan/Methodist tradition enhance the work of ministry leaders seeking to offer hope and healing in a world of brokenness.

Application Deadline: February 15, 2024

Tuition, Room, and Board

Estimated 2023-24

- Tuition: $750 est. + per credit hour*
- Fees $72
- Books $150 per class
- Housing $458 per week (double)
- Meals while on campus $250
- Miscellaneous expenses $50
- Transportation $300

The fees and estimated costs above are per two-week intensive term for courses taking place on the Washington DC campus and represent the maximum allowable expenses in each category.

*Tuition subject to change.

Housing

Limited dormitory-style housing is available. Request housing during the DMin Housing application window.

More information:

wesleyseminary.edu/housing
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