

DM - Doctor of Ministry

DM-591 DMin Independent Study

3.00 credit hours

Fall 2023 Dmn	D. Sokolove
Summer 2023 Dmn	D. Tzan

DM-900 Project Seminar

This course will equip the DMin student to identify a DMin project, develop a plan of research and execution for that project, and determine a constructive biblical/ theological component for the project. The outcome of the course is a project proposal that is sent to the DMin

3.00 credit hours

Fall 2023 Dmn	D. Sokolove
Winter 2023-24 Dmn	J. Anschutz
Spring 2024 Dmn	J. Anschutz
Summer 2023 Dmn	J. Anschutz
Fall 2024 Dmn	N. Works
Winter 2024-25 Dmn	J. Anschutz
Spring 2025 Dmn	J. Anschutz
Summer 2024 Dmn	J. Driscoll

DM-901 DMin Project Paper Research Module

This course is for Doctor of Ministry students who have successfully completed thirty hours and have had their project reader assigned by the Dmin Committee. Students enrolled in this course are in the process of researching and writing their project paper and are not taking other courses towards their D.Min. degree. They will be enrolled each spring and fall until they have either completed their degree or until they have reached the time limit for the degree.

0.00 credit hours

Winter 2023-24 Dmn
Fall 2024 Dmn
Winter 2024-25 Dmn
Summer 2024 Dmn

DM-939 Church Leadership Study Trip

Engagement with different ministry settings and leaders; critical and constructive reflection on the implications for one's own ministries; exposure to different types of churches and ministries, all of which are characterized by effective leadership in engaging both identity as a faith community and engagement with the environment in which the church is located.

3.00 credit hours

Fall 2023 Dmn	L. Weems
Fall 2024 Dmn	L. Weems
Fall 2025 Dmn	L. Weems

DM-965 Pilgrimage to the Alabama of the Civil Rights Movement

Historical, theological, and socio-cultural analysis of some of the major people, places and events of the Civil Rights movement, with particular focus on the implications of the movement on the contemporary church and society. Academic immersion including visits to some of the significant venues of the Civil Rights movement in Birmingham, Montgomery, and Selma, Alabama.

3.00 credit hours

Summer 2023 Dmn	C. Hunt
Summer 2024 Dmn	C. Hunt

DM-982 Embodied Proclamation for Preaching, Liturgy and Formation

An exploration of embodied and performed biblical passages for powerful and long-lasting congregational formation through an approach to worship and liturgy that recaptures the more engaging, multisensory, and authentic experience of the sacred Word in a post-Gutenberg age.

3.00 credit hours

Fall 2023 Dmn

T. Radosevic

DM-984 Dietrich Bonhoeffer: Leadership and Life Together

A historical, theological and socio-cultural analysis of the life and writings of Dietrich Bonhoeffer with particular focus on implications for leadership in the contemporary church and society.

3.00 credit hours

Fall 2023 Dmn

C. Hunt

DM-985 Ministry on the Margins: Poverty, Migration/Immigration, and Urban Ministry

TBA

3.00 credit hours

Winter 2023-24 Dmn

C. Hunt

DM-986 Public Witness and Public Church

This course engages texts in public theology, depictions of faith in popular media, and prominent figures working at the intersection of faith and public life to refine skills of public witness.

3.00 credit hours

Winter 2023-24 Dmn

R. Elgendy

Winter 2023-24 Dmn

M. McCurry

DM-987 Being Bodies

This online course examines biblical depictions of bodies to better understand the meanings of bodies in the ancient text and reflect on our own embodied existence as readers of texts and of contexts. Students will be equipped to identify the significance of biblical depictions of bodies, to recognize and reclaim their own embodied identities (individual and corporate) as significant to the practice of reading and living (individually and corporately) in relationship with God, and to develop a theology of embodiment that resists dichotomies such as mind vs. body, spirit vs. matter, or belief vs. practice. Topics to be studied include embodied being and knowing; embodied constructions of identity along axes of race, gender, and/or disability; bodies and religious experience, and God's bodies.

3.00 credit hours

Fall 2024 Dmn

K. Brown

DM-988 Guiding Communities: Navigating Change And Trauma

This course will introduce students to models of organizational change and congregational development and explore case studies of creative church leadership.

3.00 credit hours

Winter 2024-25 Dmn

J. Cope

DM-A605 Drama and Ministry

Equipping the congregation to experience and to proclaim the written word of the Scriptures through the arts of rhetoric, mime, and drama.

3.00 credit hours

Spring 2024 Dmn

D. Davis

DM-A614 James Baldwin's Understanding of God

James Baldwin's oeuvre (1924-1987) is more appreciated today than when he was alive. He was a literary star then and is now undergoing a renaissance in his native land, the United States. We will focus on his spirituality and his story, largely America's story. Our purpose is to mine Baldwin's wisdom for its theological reflections, especially since he was both the son of a Baptist preacher and a former preacher himself.

3.00 credit hours

Spring 2024 Dmn

J. Young

DM-A615 Music for Social Justice

Survey of music as both product of and vehicle for great movements of social justice and transformation

3.00 credit hours

Winter 2024-25 Dmn

E. Guenther

DM-A617 Visual Culture in Ministry: History and Possibilities

Seminar will help learners contextualize visual and material expressions of faith practices in histories of coloniality and develop liturgical sensibilities for current media ecosystems

3.00 credit hours

Spring 2025 Dmn

H. Na

DM-A618 From House Church to Mega Church A History of Christian Architecture

TBA

3.00 credit hours

Spring 2025 Dmn

C. Hundley

DM-AMC606 Biblical Perspectives on Suffering

In their pastoral caring of wounded military, hospital chaplains face burning theological questions about the nature of suffering and God. Familiarity with multiple responses to human suffering in the Bible can give chaplains more tools for pastoral care. Analyzing the theological assumptions undergirding these responses can help chaplains to avoid platitudes and offer empathetic care.

3.00 credit hours

Fall 2025 Dmn

D. Dombkowski Hopkins

DM-AMC900 Project Seminar

Naming and planning a DMin project, options in the end product of the project, elements of a project proposal, and the disciplines for writing the project paper.

3.00 credit hours

Fall 2025 Dmn

D. Tzan

DM-AU600 Images of Leadership in the Bible

Leadership lessons from Moses, the Psalms, the books of Samuel, and the Apostle Paul.

3.00 credit hours

Winter 2023-24 Dmn

D. Dombkowski Hopkins

DM-AU601 Pastoral Care in African Context

TBA.

3.00 credit hours

Winter 2023-24 Dmn

N. Chiroma

DM-AU602 Critical Thinking Skills on African Military Chaplains

The course is designed based on the contextual chaplaincy ministry needs that requires critical thinking in answering questions such as; how do we come to know the truth? How do we interpret God's word? How do we discern truths from falsehoods? How do we utilize digitization and especially artificial intelligence tools in arriving at conclusions that are helpful to supporting clients, especially those in continental hotspots? Various processes shall be analyzed in a critical manner to support their clients manage their issues/situations. In an epistemological approach (from individual to a collective level, biblical text methods and empirical based truths are employed to enable students get to some logical analysis and interpretation to draw conclusions in respective situations.

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Spring 2024 Dmn

D. Tzan

DM-C601 Theological Foundations of Soul Care

A conversation with classical, modern, liberation, and post-modern theologians about contemporary pastoral practices.

3.00 credit hours

Spring 2025 Dmn

B. Mitchell

DM-C602 Current Theory and Best Practices in Soul Care

An overview of current theory and best practices with a strong emphasis on biblical and theological foundations.

3.00 credit hours

Spring 2024 Dmn

M. Koppel

DM-C605 Grounded in the Living Word: The Bible & Pastoral Care Practices

An interdisciplinary dialogue between Hebrew Bible and pastoral theology with attention to intersections between the biblical text and the human text with their resulting tension, ambiguities, and complexities, and their impact upon both biblical interpretation and pastoral care practices.

3.00 credit hours

Winter 2024-25 Dmn

D. Dombkowski Hopkins

DM-C607 Pastoral Assessment, Diagnosis, and Psychopathy

Tools for intervention when holiness and wholeness become disconnected.

3.00 credit hours

Spring 2025 Dmn

D. Thorpe

DM-C610 Intercultural Pastoral Care & Counseling

The tools for leading and sustaining congregations that thrive in multi-racial, multi-cultural environments of opportunity

3.00 credit hours

Fall 2024 Dmn

A. Carr

DM-C616 Sexuality and Pastoral Care

An examination of multiple dimensions of human sexuality with reference to practical applications for pastoral care in local and societal settings and their related theological and theoretical foundations.

3.00 credit hours

Winter 2024-25 Dmn

R. Vaughn

DM-CPE1606 Biblical Perspectives on Suffering

In their pastoral caring of wounded military, hospital chaplains face burning theological questions about the nature of suffering and God. Familiarity with multiple responses to human suffering in the Bible can give chaplains more tools for pastoral care. Analyzing the theological assumptions undergirding these responses can help chaplains to avoid platitudes and offer empathetic care.

4.00 credit hours

Fall 2023 Dmn

D. Dombkowski Hopkins

Fall 2024 Dmn

D. Dombkowski Hopkins

DM-CPE1609 Pastoral Care for Warriors and Their Families

Providing the resources of faith to those under pressure from military preparedness, combat, and return to civilian life.

4.00 credit hours

Summer 2023 Dmn

M. Koppel

Summer 2024 Dmn

M. Koppel

DM-CPE605 The Chaplain's Role in Healing Moral Injury

The role of chaplains in helping military personnel cultivate moral resilience, in order to help recovery from the effects of emotional and physical trauma that resulted in moral injury and as preparation for future deployments.

4.00 credit hours

Winter 2023-24 Dmn

C. Hansen

Winter 2024-25 Dmn

C. Hansen

DM-CPE611 Chaplain As Professional

TBA

4.00 credit hours

Winter 2023-24 Dmn

J. Driscoll

Spring 2025 Dmn

J. Driscoll

DM-CPE900 Project Seminar

Naming and planning a DMin project, options in the end product of the project, elements of a project proposal, and the disciplines for writing the project paper.

4.00 credit hours

Fall 2024 Dmn

D. Tzan

DM-D610 Faith Formation Through Digital Contexts

Explore how digital contexts are changing faith formation, including identity, practice and community.

3.00 credit hours

Fall 2023 Dmn

T. Snyder

Fall 2025 Dmn

T. Snyder

DM-D613 Leading in a Digital Age

This course provides a foundation for developing and practicing an integrated approach to digital ministry.

3.00 credit hours

Fall 2024 Dmn

O. Brown

Fall 2024 Dmn

Doug Powe

DM-G603 Spiritual Formation

An advanced survey of the classics of the Christian contemplative traditions (Eastern and Western) and the spiritual disciplines grounded in them necessary for the formation of ministers.

3.00 credit hours

Spring 2024 Dmn	K. Lee
Spring 2025 Dmn	K. Lee

DM-G605 Leadership

Best practices for church leaders in reading situations, facing facts, summoning vision, and shepherding the next step faithful step for congregations in a global context.

3.00 credit hours

Winter 2023-24 Dmn	D. McAllister-Wilson
Winter 2023-24 Dmn	D. McAllister-Wilson
Spring 2025 Dmn	D. McAllister-Wilson
Spring 2025 Dmn	D. McAllister-Wilson

DM-G606 Counseling: Pastoral Care & Counseling

In care and counseling, the pastor models the congregation's call to hospitality toward an increasingly diverse constituency in a global context.

3.00 credit hours

Winter 2024-25 Dmn	M. Koppel
Winter 2024-25 Dmn	M. Koppel

DM-G607 Biblical Interpretation for Preaching

Theological foundations, history, and practice of Christian worship and preaching with particular attention to new resources from the global church.

3.00 credit hours

Winter 2023-24 Dmn	V. Miles
Winter 2023-24 Dmn	V. Miles

DM-G608 History of Christian Mission

An exploration of historical views and models of mission, and key theological breakthroughs in the contemporary theology of mission for the global church.

3.00 credit hours

Summer 2024 Dmn	D. Tzan
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DM-G619 Highlights of the Development of Christianity in the World

A deeper exploration of several significant theological developments in the history of Western Christianity which have shaped global Christianity.

3.00 credit hours

Spring 2024 Dmn	B. Mitchell
Spring 2024 Dmn	B. Mitchell

DM-G621 Systematic Theology

Theology, history, and practice of Christian worship and preaching with particular attention to new resources from the global church.

3.00 credit hours

Winter 2024-25 Dmn	J. Young
Winter 2024-25 Dmn	J. Young

DM-G642 Witness and Wordplay in the Gospel Of John

Examination of the Gospel of John, focused on the minor characters, for a better understanding of the historical setting of the Gospels and the ways that they shape church ministry.

3.00 credit hours

Summer 2024 Dmn	L. Holmes
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DM-G900 Project Seminar

Naming and planning a DMin project, options in the end product of the project, elements of a project proposal, and the disciplines for writing the project paper.

3.00 credit hours

Spring 2024 Dmn	K. Lee
Spring 2024 Dmn	K. Lee
Spring 2025 Dmn	K. Lee
Spring 2025 Dmn	K. Lee

DM-L602 Images of Leadership in the Bible

Leadership lessons from Moses, the Psalms, the books of Samuel, and the Apostle Paul.

3.00 credit hours

Spring 2025 Dmn	D. Dombkowski Hopkins
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DM-L603 Leading in a Pluralistic Culture For Congregational Outreach and Growth

A church in disestablished free fall reflects on its identity and mission and responds with a more focused engagement rather than resignation.

3.00 credit hours

Winter 2023-24 Dmn	Doug Powe
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DM-L605 The Tone of Church Leadership

This course focuses on the development of resonant attitudes, habits, and styles in church leadership that foster vitality in church communities and congregations. We will examine theological, psychological, and ministerial literature and engage in practical methods and excursions in order to support the development of leadership this is tuned-in and life-sustaining. Given burn-up rates for clergy and rapidly changing congregational terrain, we will evaluate theoretical as well as practical tools for practice of care-filled and faithful leadership.

3.00 credit hours

Winter 2023-24 Dmn	M. Koppel
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DM-L615 Leadership and the Role of a Consultant In a Liminal Season

This class will examine the role of the consultant and the process of consulting in the local church. diagnosing a congregational system, designing adaptive interventions, guiding group discernment, managing conflict and resistance, and coaching leaders through change. Course participants will come to view themselves as agents of change and transformation through the "use of self": the development of self-awareness, self-behavior, and self-efficacy in organizational settings.

3.00 credit hours

Spring 2024 Dmn	S. Beaumont
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DM-L616 Missional Entrepreneurship

Overarching framework for recreating church life. Exploration of the theological, spiritual, and practical elements of missional entrepreneurship and the leadership skills that drive it.

2.00 credit hours

Winter 2024-25 Dmn	E. Peck
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DM-L644 Leadership That Engages Others

This course focuses on leadership practices essential to collaborative leadership -- relational leadership, team building, recruiting, and developing others as leaders.

3.00 credit hours

Fall 2023 Dmn	A. Michel
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DM-L650 Sustaining While Disrupting: Leading a Post Pandemic Church

This course provides theological grounding and practical skills for leaders to sustain and strengthen foundational elements of ministries while guiding the critical innovation required to serve a radically new context.

3.00 credit hours

Spring 2025 Dmn

L. Weems

DM-M601 Chaplaincy On the Line: Identifying Key Issues for Military Chaplains in a Changing and Multi-Faith Context

An examination of the nature of leadership and spirituality from two perspectives: the commander (executive decision-maker) and the chaplain (the primary religious advisor and spiritual guide). Through conversational engagement with current and former leaders in significant military and governmental positions, students will explore the human and spiritual dimensions of leadership in organizations and environments experiencing rapid change, complex personal and political relationships, and multi-faceted religious interactions.

3.00 credit hours

Winter 2023-24 Dmn

J. Driscoll

Winter 2023-24 Dmn

D. McAllister-Wilson

Winter 2024-25 Dmn

J. Driscoll

Winter 2024-25 Dmn

D. McAllister-Wilson

DM-M603 Formation of Inter-Faith Chaplaincy: Chaplaincy As Faithful Religious Border Crossing

An exploration of building respect and understanding of the basic beliefs and practices of Hinduism, Buddhism and Islam. Moving away from the goal of championing one's own faith tradition, this course is designed to equip chaplains in interfaith settings to accompany others into wholeness without forfeiting their own religious convictions and commitments.

3.00 credit hours

Fall 2023 Dmn

P. Wingeier-Rayo

Winter 2023-24 Dmn

M. Sayilgan

Winter 2024-25 Dmn

P. Wingeier-Rayo

DM-M604 Images of Leadership in the Bible

Leadership lessons from Moses, the Psalms, the books of Samuel and the Apostle Paul.

3.00 credit hours

Winter 2023-24 Dmn

D. Dombkowski Hopkins

Winter 2024-25 Dmn

D. Dombkowski Hopkins

Spring 2025 Dmn

D. Dombkowski Hopkins

DM-M605 The Chaplain's Role in Healing Moral Injury

The role of chaplains in helping military personnel cultivate moral resilience, in order to help recovery from the effects of emotional and physical trauma that resulted in moral injury and as preparation for future deployments.

3.00 credit hours

Winter 2023-24 Dmn

A. Carr

Spring 2025 Dmn

C. Hansen

Fall 2025 Dmn

C. Hansen

DM-M606 Pastoral Care for Warriors and Their Families

Best pastoral care practices for military personnel-active and returning from deployment-and their families.

3.00 credit hours

Prereq: DM-M211 OR DM-M221

Fall 2024 Dmn

M. Koppel

Winter 2024-25 Dmn

M. Koppel

DM-M608 Ethics for Senior Leaders

Moral issues and tasks facing chaplain supervisors in today's military environment such as sexual misconduct, confidentiality, and supporting service members suffering moral injury using multiple ethical frameworks

3.00 credit hours

DM-M602

Spring 2024 Dmn

A. Carr

Summer 2024 Dmn

C. Hansen

DM-M610 Military Chaplaincy: Historical Perspectives, Current Issues, & Future Visions

Military Chaplains utilize field visits to historic, government, religious, and military sites in and around DC as a basis to examine and discuss current military chaplaincy related issues.

3.00 credit hours

Fall 2023 Dmn

J. Driscoll

Fall 2024 Dmn

J. Driscoll

Fall 2025 Dmn

J. Driscoll

DM-PE616 Spiritual Disciplines: Care & Community

Following Howard Thurman's lead, an exploration of intersections between contemplative spirituality and care with individuals and congregations. Emphasis on theology and practice that contribute to healing and justice.

3.00 credit hours

Fall 2024 Dmn

M. Koppel

DM-T603 Biblical and Pastoral Foundations for Spiritual Leadership

Leadership for the transformation of communities energized by the discipline of engaging the intersection of biblical stories and human stories.

3.00 credit hours

Winter 2024-25 Dmn

D. Dombkowski Hopkins

DM-T608 Howard Thurman

The life and vision of Howard Thurman with special attention to his years as the Dean of Rankin Chapel, Howard University

3.00 credit hours

Spring 2024 Dmn

B. Mitchell

DM-T614 Preaching and God's Transforming Justice On the Public Square

Explores the role of preaching as a formative medium for preparing people to live justly with each other, the earth and the natural world as an expression of humanity's identity as imago Dei, with an emphasis upon preaching in the public square.

3.00 credit hours

Winter 2024-25 Dmn

V. Miles

DM-T615 Paul and the Disinherited

An exegetical study of Paul's letters in concert with Thurman's focus on "the poor, the disinherited, and the dispossessed"

3.00 credit hours

Spring 2025 Dmn

C. Works

DM-T616 Thurman & King

A comparative analysis of the lives and ministries of Howard Thurman and Martin Luther King, Jr., with a focus on their work as pastors and theologians.

3.00 credit hours

Spring 2024 Dmn

C. Hunt

DM-TM601 Introduction to the Study of Trauma and Moral Injury

An introduction to trauma and moral injury and their study as related to corporate and individual Christian Life.

3.00 credit hours

Spring 2025 Dmn

P. Cho

DM-TM603 Life Hurts: Embracing a Trauma-Informed Approach for Suicide Prevention

Equipping faith leaders to grow trauma-safe churches through the development of faith-based trauma-informed skills for suicide prevention which recognize and respond with trauma informed practices.

3.00 credit hours

Spring 2024 Dmn

M. Hill

Spring 2024 Dmn

A. Mathews-Younes

DM-TM604 Genocide: a Human Rights Challenge

TBA

3.00 credit hours

Winter 2023-24 Dmn

B. Mitchell

DM-TM605 Trauma in the Hebrew Bible

A study of the violence, suffering, and trauma in the Bible as a means of survival and recovery that may help us today to recognize and respond to violence and trauma in our daily lives.

3.00 credit hours

Spring 2024 Dmn

D. Dombkowski Hopkins

DM-TM607 Liturgical Responses to Trauma

This seminar introduces basic concepts in trauma studies and explores current debates regarding liturgy's function in the midst of societal, communal, personal trauma.

3.00 credit hours

Fall 2025 Dmn

H. Na

DM-TM970 Trauma Informed Pastoral Care & Counseling

Exploration of the theological and pastoral care needs of those who experience various forms of trauma, including traumatic loss, interpersonal violence, sexual trauma, childhood trauma, war trauma and traumatic migration.

3.00 credit hours

Winter 2023-24 Dmn

M. Koppel

DM-WP611 Transformational Pedagogies Tradition

Examines several different pedagogical approaches to both individual and communal transformation.

3.00 credit hours

Spring 2024 Dmn

E. Peck

DM-WP612 Worship for the Healing of the Nations: Liturgical Designs for Confronting System

In this course learners contextualize liturgical design in histories of colonial violence. Learners engage with these histories as they curate worship services and liturgical elements to address contemporary geopolitics.

3.00 credit hours

Spring 2024 Dmn

H. Na

DM-WP613 Pastoral Care in Age of Polarization

Exploration of pastoral theological issues that divide persons and communities such as anxiety, conflict and grief.

3.00 credit hours

Spring 2025 Dmn

M. Koppel