

Doctor of Ministry with Ministry Leadership

Major Focus

Successful ministry rises and falls on leadership. Effective ministry leaders can discern and articulate their God given vision, mobilize their congregation or staff to fulfill the vision, and become a catalyst for renewal.

The Ministry Leadership curriculum focuses on the basics of effective leadership and also addresses some of the vital topics which confront pastors today. The courses in the curriculum below prepare the degree candidates with the advanced skills to face many of these complex issues.

Courses and Textbooks

DMML 801: Introduction to Pastoral Ministry

Required Textbooks

Communicating for a Change: Seven Keys to Irresistible Communication... Andy Stanley and Lane Jones

Telling the Old, Old Story: The Art of Narrative Preaching... David L. Larsen

Alternative Textbooks

Practical Guide for Life and Ministry: Overcoming 7 Challenges Pastors Face... David Horner

Pastoral Ministry According to Paul: A Biblical Vision... James Thompson

Empowered Church Leadership: Ministry in the Spirit According to Paul... Brian J. Dodd

DMML 802: Using the Bible Effectively in Ministry

Required Textbooks

Holy Bible, Human Bible: Questions Pastors Must Ask (Using the Bible in Pastoral Ministry)... Gordon Oliver

The Biblical Psalms in Christian Worship: A Brief Introduction and Guide to Resources (Calvin Institute of Christian Worship Liturgical Studies)... John D. Witvliet

Alternative Textbooks

He Came Down from Heaven: The Pre-existence of Christ and the Christian Faith... Douglas McCready

Apologetic Preaching: Proclaiming Christ to a Postmodern World... Craig A. Loscalzo

The Dynamics of Pastoral Care (Ministry Dynamics for a New Century)... David Wiersbe

DMML 803: Mentoring for Ministry

Required Textbooks

Strengthening the Soul of Your Leadership: Seeking God in the Crucible of Ministry... Barton and Ford

Witness to the Gospel: The Theology of Acts (Theology, Biblical Studies)... I. Howard Marshall

Alternative Textbook

Religious Ethics and Pastoral Care... Don S. Browning

DMML 804: Management for Ministry

Choose the Two Required Textbooks from the Six Titles Listed Below.

Management Essentials for Christian Ministries... Michael Anthony and James Estep

Management: A Biblical Approach... Myron D. Rush

Church Operations Manual: A Step-by-Step Guide to Effective Church Management... Stan Toler

The Management Methods of Jesus: Ancient Wisdom for Modern Business... Bob Briner

Mastering The Management Buckets: 20 Critical Competencies for Leading Your Business or Non-Profit... John Pearson

Management Principles for Christian Schools, 2nd ed.... James W. Deuink and Brian A. Carruthers

DMML 805: Advanced Pastoral Ministry

Required Textbooks

Pastoral Ministry: The John MacArthur Library... John MacArthur and Faculty

Ethical Dilemmas in Church Leadership: Case Studies in Biblical Decision Making... Michael R. Milco

Alternative Textbooks

Pastoral Ministry According to Paul: a Biblical Vision... James Thompson

Empowered Church Leadership: Ministry in the Spirit According to Paul... Brian J. Dodd

DMML 806: Leadership in Ministry

Choose the First Required Textbook from the Two Titles Listed Below.

Just Business: Christian Ethics for the Marketplace... Alexander Hill

Evangelical Christian Executives: A New Model for Business Corporations... Lewis D. Solomon

Choose the Second Required Textbook from the Four Titles Listed Below.

Leadership Handbook of Management and Administration... James D. Berkley

Christian Reflections on the Leadership Challenge... James M. Kouzes, Barry Z. Posner, and John C. Maxwell

Coaching Ministry Teams: Leadership and Management in Christian Organizations... Kenneth O. Gangel

How to Run Your Business by the Book: A Biblical Blueprint to Bless Your Business... Dave Anderson and John C. Maxwell

DMML 807: Christian Counseling in Ministry

Required Textbooks

Introduction to Psychology and Counseling... Meier, Wichern, Ratdiff

Counseling: How to Counsel Biblically (MacArthur Pastor's Library)... John MacArthur, Wayne A. Mack, and Master's College Faculty

Alternative Textbooks

Theology of Christian Counseling... Jay E. Adams

The Biblical Basis of Christian Counseling for People Helpers: Relating the Basic Teachings of Scripture to People's Problems... Gary Collins

DMML 808: Organization and Leadership

Select Two Textbooks from the List Below.

360 Degree Leadership: Preaching to Transform Congregations... Michael J. Quicke

Team Leadership in Christian Ministry: Using Multiple Gifts to Build a Unified Vision... Kenneth O. Gangel

Listening Ministry (Rethinking Pastoral Leadership)... Susan K. Hedahl

New Kind of Church, A: Understanding Models of Ministry for the 21st Century... Aubrey Malphurs

Faith as a Way of Life: A Vision for Pastoral Leadership... Christian Scharen and Miroslav Volf