

# Class Schedule

An asterisk (\*) means that the course is required of all participants.

## **SEPTEMBER**

**\*Introduction to Doctor of Ministry Studies — DMIN 7000**

*Monday-Friday, September, 8 a.m.-4 p.m.*

Initiation into the philosophy and procedures of Doctor of Ministry studies, introduction to the nature of the two tracks offered (Christian spiritual formation and Christian leadership development), and the beginning of an assessment of ministerial contexts. NOTE: Required course for all D.Min. participants.

**Conflict Transformation — DMIN 7211 (CLD)**

*Monday-Friday, September, 8 a.m.-4 p.m.*

How Christian leaders work with people in conflict, for the purpose of redemptive transformation. NOTE: Required course for D.Min. participants pursuing the Christian leadership development track. *Formerly DMIN 7210.*

**Crucial Issues in Christian Discipleship — DMIN 7431 (CSF)**

*Monday-Friday, September, 8 a.m.-4 p.m.*

A study of New Testament understandings of following Jesus, how those understandings are lived out in the contemporary world, and how local communities of faith go about enabling people to be serious Christ-followers. NOTE: Required course for D.Min. participants pursuing the Christian spiritual formation track. *Formerly DMIN 7430.*

## **JANUARY**

**\*Research and Writing — DMIN 7900**

*Monday-Friday, January, 8 a.m.-4 p.m.*

On the basis of doctoral-level standards and methods, the development of the first of three drafts of the proposal for the professional project. NOTE: Required course for all D.Min. participants.

**Personal Life in the Spirit — DMIN 7270 (CSF)**

*Monday-Friday, January, 8 a.m.-4 p.m.*

Further development of the participant's own spiritual life and how one might lead others into a deeper spiritual life. NOTE: Required course for D.Min. participants pursuing the Christian spiritual formation track.

**Christian Leadership in a Postmodern World — DMIN 7251 (CLD)**

*Monday-Friday, January, 8 a.m.-4 p.m.*

How postmodern ways of thinking and acting affect ministry. NOTE: Required course for D.Min. participants pursuing the Christian leadership development track. *Formerly DMIN 7250.*

## **APRIL**

**\*Theology, Practice, and Assessment of Ministry — DMIN 8350**

*Monday-Friday, April-May, 8 a.m.-4 p.m.*

Consideration of theological framework for ministry, evaluation of practices of ministry, and assessment of each participant's current place in ministry. NOTE: Required course for all D.Min. participants.

**Participation in the Christian Community — DMIN 7471 (CSF)**

*Monday-Friday, April-May, 8 a.m.-4 p.m.*

The communal nature of being Christian, and the challenges and benefits of congregational, connectional, and global expressions of church life. NOTE: Required course for D.Min. participants pursuing the Christian spiritual formation track. *Formerly DMIN 7470.*

**Christian Leadership Skills in Differing Contexts — DMIN 7220 (CLD)**

*Monday-Friday, April-May, 8 a.m.-4 p.m.*

How various social, missional, cultural, demographic settings call for different leadership strategies. NOTE: Required course for D.Min. participants pursuing the Christian leadership development track.

## **ARRANGED OVER THE COURSE OF THE YEAR**

**\*Reflective Practicum — DMIN 7020**

Contact hours with other participants, professional development team, and local support team; reading and reflection in biblical exegesis, current theological trends, and contemporary cultural perspectives; one credit hour each of three years. NOTE: Required course for all D.Min. participants.

**\*Professional Project (formerly Dissertation/Project) — DMIN 8950**

A major research effort that focuses on a challenge, a problem, or an issue in the practice of ministry, and does so either for the purpose of contributing to the general knowledge about the practice of ministry (i.e., dissertation) or for the purpose of bringing about a specific change in one's local context of ministry (i.e., project). NOTE: Required course for all D.Min. participants. Library approval required prior to completion of thesis. Participants may register for 1-5 hours per semester; total of 5 hours.