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The Doctoral Project



A DMin project is an exciting opportunity to address a realworld problem in your local ministry context, using methods that allow you and your ministry team to learn through research. This is accomplished by identifying a ministry challenge, and then developing, implementing, and evaluating a response to that challenge. The evaluation may lead to an adjustment to the response, which is then also evaluated for effectiveness. The DMin project experience could lead your ministry team to engage in an ongoing cycle of evaluation and adjustment as you seek to serve your community with excellence.

If you are not already a part of a DMin cohort, I would invite you to explore the options we offer, and see if one fits your needs and ministry situation. Every year we launch several new cohorts. See the announcement in this newsletter for information about our 2011 cohorts.

David Penno Project Coach for the Doctor of Ministry Program

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DMin Project Defense Schedule

We frequently receive questions about the project defense—the procedure, order of events, how long it will take, etc.—in general, what to expect. A description of the defense is provided on the DMin website at

http://www.andrews.edu/sem/dmin/project/dissertation_defense/index.html.

Program participants often find it beneficial to observe project defenses in preparation for their own defense experience. The schedule of upcoming defenses is usually posted online in the Andrews Agenda, which is updated at least weekly. Observers are welcome and encouraged to attend. Check the schedule if you would like to come to campus to observe a colleague's defense; you will find it at www.andrews.edu/agenda under the "Calendar of Events" heading—click on the event to get the details.

Call or email Yvonna Applewhite to reserve a place as an observer at a defense: 1-269-471-3552 or <u>dminla@andrews.edu</u>.

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Planning to start the DMin program in 2011? Wait no longer to apply!

Urban Ministry



The city of Chicago provides the backdrop for the 2011 DMin Urban Ministry cohort that is currently in formation. A short distance from the Andrews campus, this thriving, dynamic and complex city offers the resources for the intended transformational learning experience. Participants will engage in an immersion in the life of the city including interaction with city administration, transportation system, hospitals, schools and universities, and urban housing. The biannual conference of the Chicago-based Seminary Consortium for Urban Pastoral Education will provide enrichment to the intensive experience in 2011 and

2013. Plan now to be a part of this exciting new program--apply now while spaces are still available! Application deadline is **December 31, 2010**.

Missional Church: A Biblical Response to Mission in Western Culture



Launching in April 2011 in Florida, this concentration prepares participants to lead a 21st century missionary movement for Western culture in a Seventh-day Adventist context.

The concentration is co-coordinated by the team of Dr. Michael F. Cauley, president of the Florida Conference, and Dr. Michael R. Cauley, pastor of the Oasis and Gracepoint churches in the Kentucky-Tennessee Conference. Applications may be submitted up to January 31, 2011.

Preaching



Dr. Hyveth Williams coordinates this concentration, designed to equip participants with resources for transformational prophetic preaching. Preaching the Word has the power to transform hearers. Participants will be challenged, inspired, and motivated to be great prophetic preachers of the 21st century. As graduates use the resources garnered from this concentration, congregational revival will be the anticipated reward. The first intensives will meet at the Andrews campus in June 2011. Application deadline is **April 1, 2011**.

Persons who are not United States citizens or permanent residents usually need student visas to attend intensives, and should apply at least 6-8 weeks earlier than the published application deadlines.

For more information about any of these cohorts, see <u>www.doctorofministry.com</u>, or call 1-888-717-6244.

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Congratulations to Dr. Rudi Maier



Dr. Rudi Maier has been appointed as the new president and executive director of ADRA International, effective October 12, 2010. He has served for many years as a professor in the Seminary's Department of World Missions, and has filled a key role in the Doctor of Ministry's extension programs outside North America.

While we will miss him at the Seminary, we are confident that his leadership skills, experience, and passion for ministry in international development will be put to good use in his new responsibilities. Congratulations, Rudi!

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