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The Doctoral Project



The standards for the Doctor of Ministry project are described by the Association of Theological Schools, our accrediting organization: "The program shall include the design and completion of a written doctoral-level project that addresses both the nature and the practice of ministry. The project should be of sufficient quality that it contributes to the practice of ministry as judged by professional standards and has the potential for application in other contexts of ministry.

The ministry project should demonstrate the candidate's ability to identify a specific theological topic in ministry, organize an effective research model, use appropriate resources, and evaluate the results, and should reflect the candidate's depth of theological insight in relation to ministry."

The Andrews program integrates the project into the four years of program learning, includes a verbal presentation and

evaluation, and calls for a chapter on theological reflection.

I have been encouraged by the quality of recent projects! I have seen new mentoring responses for specific institutions, mobilized congregations for community intervention, new spiritual direction initiatives, new models for church planting, improved leadership and administration models, and new organizational structures to advance mission. These and many, many others are making a difference! These projects "change the people who change the world!"

Skip Bell

Director of the Doctor of Ministry Program

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Application Deadline Approaches for New Cohorts Launching in 2011

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.

Introducing a New Staff Member



Alicia Gulliver recently joined the DMin team as an administrative assistant. A native of Southwestern Michigan, Alicia has lived and worked in Las Vegas, Nevada, and Nashville Tennessee. She has an Associate degree in Arts, and a BS degree in Human Services and Management. She plans to continue her education with a Masters in Family Counseling. Alicia is a trained musician who writes and performs original compositions. She has a daughter and a son.

Alicia serves the program caring for budget, financial, and administrative record-keeping. Welcome, Alicia!

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