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Seventh-day Adventist Theological Seminary

DOCTOR OF MINISTRY



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Announcing Good News!



Why is it that only bad news is considered news? We also need to share good news! And our Seminary assessment office has told us to share some of that—the results of an annual assessment of the Doctor of Ministry program. So here goes...

Participants rated the depth and rigor of the program as high or very high (96% did so). The same response was received for the practical application of program learning, and they gave like numbers to faculty, knowledge gained, and developing their proficiency for service. Ninety-two percent said the program deepened knowledge and understanding of scripture, rating it 4 or 5 on a 5-point scale in that area.

I was very pleased that 86% said their spiritual life had grown as a result of the program, and their relationship with God the same number. Ninety-four percent said their commitment to ministry had improved, and 87% said they had developed new habits of study that they expect to stay with them throughout their lifetime.

There were other neat areas of encouraging response to change as a result of the DMin program. We count it a privilege to serve you in a program that is changing lives!

Dr. Skip Bell
Program Director

New Cohorts Forming Now

- **Coming in 2013:** Applications are being taken now to form new cohorts for concentrations in **Chaplaincy Ministry** and **Evangelism & Church Growth**. The new cohort for the **Leadership** concentration is essentially full. Cohorts are limited to 25 participants. To be sure of a place, apply now!
- A new cohort in the **Health Care Chaplaincy** concentration has been rescheduled to one semester later; it will begin during the spring of 2014. This cohort is for those who have at least two units of CPE and at least one year of professional health care chaplaincy experience.
- **More cohorts launching in 2014:** for concentrations in **Discipleship & Biblical Spirituality**, **Family Ministry**, and **Youth & Young Adult Ministry**.

For more information or to reserve a place in one of these cohorts, send email to dmin@andrews.edu.

Are you thinking of applying to the DMin program? Remember, computer proficiency is required of all participants. The program relies heavily on electronic communication and distribution of materials.

2013 Doctor of Ministry Conference

This year's focus will be "Doctor of Ministry: A Journey of Transformation." Meetings will be September 27-28 at the Andrews University campus, immediately preceding Homecoming Weekend. Seminary faculty, DMin lead faculty, DMin staff, concentration coordinators, and representatives from conference administrations are invited to attend. RSVP to Kelly Youngberg: kelly@andrews.edu.

We Have Moved!

Well, not far. We are blessed now to have more space for needed expansion in a different area of the seminary building. Our new suite is on the south side, to the right of the building entrance, on the second floor (sometimes called the main floor). When you are on campus come visit us in our new suite! Phone numbers stay the same.

ReCharge! Writing Workshop

Looking for a fresh start for your DMin project? Want some help with academic writing, style, or

formatting issues in your project? Just need a bit of encouragement? Come to **Recharge!**, a Doctor of Ministry writing workshop to be presented by Dr. Jeanette Bryson. It's designed to sharpen your academic writing skills toward completing a successful Doctor of Ministry project document. The workshop is not required, but is offered as an optional resource. The workshop is scheduled for February 20-24, 2013, 9 am-1 pm on the campus of Andrews University. The fee is \$100, and pre-registration is required. Registrants will need to make their own lodging arrangements; [lodging information](#) is provided to help you select a place to stay in the Andrews University vicinity. To register, contact dmin@andrews.edu or 269-471-6130.

Notes From DMin Alumni

Over the summer, we received affirming notes from two women who hold Andrews DMin degrees:

Dr. Elena Zhigankova (graduated 2008) is now a on the faculty at AIIAS in the Philippines. Her husband, Oleg (PhD Religion, 2000), is also at AIIAS, teaching in the Theology-History department.

Dr. Jessica Trevithick (graduated May, 2012), who lives in California, has been visiting her homeland of Australia this past summer. She has been a guest speaker for events at Avondale College, and was interviewed on the Australia Hope Channel. (See the interview at <https://vimeo.com/47477217/>).

Schedule of Upcoming Intensives

DMin alumni are welcome to utilize their ongoing benefit of guest attendance at any of these intensives. Call or email the DMin office to make a reservation. (Dates in parenthesis identify the cohort according to the year in which it was formed.)

Cohort	Intensive	Dates	Location
(2009) Pastoral Min Spanish – NAD	CHMN789 The Missional Church	Sept 9-21, 2012	Andrews University
(2012) Pastoral Min Spanish – NAD	GSEM790 DMin Project Seminar CHMN747 Christian Leadership	Sept 10-27, 2012	Andrews University
(2013) Leadership – NAD	CHMN747 Christian Leadership Seminar GSEM790 DMin Project	January 8-24, 2013	Orlando, Florida
(2010) Discipleship & Biblical Spirituality	DSRE708 Constructs of Corporate Ministry for Discipleship & Biblical Spirituality	February 11-19, 2013	Andrews University
(2010) Youth & Young Adult Ministry	DSRI721 Perspectives on Youth & Young Adult Ministry Leadership Strategies	February 24-March 6, 2013	Loma Linda University
(2011) Urban Ministry	CHMN778 Church Growth & Discipleship in the Urban Church	March 3-14, 2013	Chicago, IL

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