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Seventh-day Adventist Theological Seminary

DOCTOR OF MINISTRY



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New Cohorts Forming in 2014

- A new cohort is forming now for those whose interest is in [Organizational Leadership](#). Persons in any area of ministry are welcome to apply—it's NOT limited to administrators only! First-year intensives will be January 21-February 10, 2014 in Riverside, California. Application deadline is **November 22, 2013**.
- The [Discipleship and Biblical Spirituality](#) concentration launches a new cohort in February 2014; application deadline is **November 29, 2013**.
- The [Youth and Young Adult Ministry](#) concentration will form a new cohort to start in February of 2014; application deadline is **November 29, 2013**.
- There is a new [Chaplaincy](#) concentration with first-year dual-track intensives scheduled March 31–April 15, 2014 (application deadline **January 31, 2014**). Chaplains specializing in health care will have a separate-but-concurrent track in the first and fourth years of their program.
- The [Family Ministry](#) concentration has scheduled a new cohort to begin in July 2014; application deadline is **April 30, 2014**.
- Those who wish to take the [Pastoral Ministry \(Spanish\)](#) concentration should apply now for a cohort scheduled to begin September 8-26, 2014; application deadline is **May 30, 2014**, but be aware—this cohort fills quickly!



Introducing Diana Rimoni

A recent addition to the DMin team is Diana Rimoni, who serves as an administrative assistant in the DMin office. She manages schedules, provides record-keeping support for committee meetings, and carries out budgeting and financial functions for the program's operation.

Diana comes to us from Adventist Frontier Missions where she served as administrative assistant to the president. Diana and her husband, Keni, have served in ministry and church planting in California. They have two sons.

Welcome, Diana!

Idaho State Senate Chaplain Joins DMin Team



Dr. James Wibberding is a recent addition to the DMin program as one of the lead professors for the DMin Project Seminar. He joins Bill Knott and David Penno, comprising the teaching team for the Project Seminar.

Dr. Wibberding, pastor of the Cloverdale Seventh-day Adventist Church in the Boise, Idaho area was officially selected by the Idaho Senate President and the Senate Search Committee to serve in the honorable role of Senate Chaplain for the State of Idaho during Idaho's 2013 Legislative Session, which began in January. He is a 2010 Andrews DMin graduate, and was also a recipient of the Excellence in DMin Research award. He is currently working on a Doctor of Theology Degree in Homiletics from the University of South Africa.

He and his wife Laura are the proud parents of a 5-year-old daughter and infant twins.

Schedule of 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. (Years in parenthesis identify the cohort according to the year in which it was formed.)

Cohort	Intensive	Dates	Location
(2014 cohort launch) Organizational Leadership	CHMN747 Christian Leadership	January 21-31, 2014	Riverside, CA
(2014) Organizational Leadership	GSEM790 DMin Project Seminar	February 2-10, 2014	Riverside, CA
(2014 cohort launch) Youth and Young Adult Ministry	DSRE710 Current Issues in Youth and Young Adult Ministry	February 13-21, 2014	Orlando, FL
(2014) Youth and Young Adult Ministry	GSEM790 DMin Project Seminar	February 23-March 3, 2014	Orlando, FL
(2014 cohort launch) Discipleship and Biblical Spirituality	DSRE705 Theological and Historical Perspectives on Spiritual Growth	February 23-March 4, 2014	Orlando, FL
(2014) Discipleship & Biblical Spirituality	GSEM790 DMin Project Seminar	March 5-13, 2014	Orlando, FL
(2011) Urban Ministry	CHMN776 Urban Church Leadership and Management	March 10-19, 2014	Toronto, ON CANADA
(2014 cohort launch) Chaplaincy	CHMN788 Professional Practice in Chaplaincy (health care) or CHMN775 Foundations of Chaplaincy Ministry (other fields)	March 31-April 6, 2014	Orlando, FL
(2014) Chaplaincy	GSEM790 DMin Project Seminar	April 7-15, 2014	Orlando, FL
(for all cohorts launched in 2013)	GSEM790 Spiritual and Theological Foundations for Ministry	May 5-16, 2014	Andrews University
(2011) Missional Church	CHMN714 Discipling Leaders for Mission	May 4-14, 2014	Orlando, FL
(2012) Pastoral Ministry (Spanish)	CHMN758 Internal Dynamics of Families	July 1-18, 2014	Andrews University
(2011) Preaching	CHMN748 Preaching the Literary Forms of the Bible	July 7-17, 2014	Andrews University

Fifteen Action Steps

Assessment provides feedback that helps us grow and better serve our participants. The following are steps that emerged from the direct and indirect assessment process for 2012/13 and are being processed by our program committee during the current academic year as a result.

- Produce a video on writing a literature review and post it for public access.
- Produce a video on how to design and implement field research and post it for public access.
- Provide constant reminders regarding the chapter rubrics on the web site.
- Conduct a virtual program forum twice annually open to all students.
- Develop a tutorial (free for DMin students) with aspects regarding how to write an academic document.
- Focus on theological reflection more clearly in all sections of GSEM706.
- Send reminders from the Dean's office to improve cooperation of our faculty with our grad assistant as they work to assure that syllabi are out in time.
- Clarify the expectation among our staff that email be answered in 24 hours.
- Seek 24/6 live tech support from AU IT – with Spanish.
- Continue to urge continued access to library resources for all students in the program every semester regardless of financial clearance.
- Target marketing activity with pastors in their first ten years of service.
- Continue to implement the revisions in the in-residence program.
- Facilitate a community building process among the in-residence group with a student convener, social facilitator, etc.
- Participate in dinner for NAD administrators at year-end meeting, dialogue, and seek greater participation in sponsorships of participants.