

December 2015

Apply now for the new Millennial Church concentration!



The Millennial Church concentration is designed for those who lead churches in generational transition to engage millennials in faithful discipleship. Each participant will implement a project in which the congregations they serve will transform into churches effectively mentoring millennials and will provide a backdrop for case studies. The curriculum is designed to enable you to...

- Build multi-generational congregations
- Gain an understanding of the spiritual decision process among millennials
- Experience transformation through personal biblical spirituality and theological reflection
- Lead and manage change in the process of congregational renewal
- Develop competencies for leadership in diversity and multiculturalism

The teaching intensives for the first year will be April 18-May 9, 2016, at Altamonte Springs, Florida. The application deadline is **February 12, 2016** (but the earlier, the better—a cohort is limited to 25 participants)! You will find instructions, information, and a link for the <u>DMin application package</u> on the Graduate Enrollment page of the Andrews University website. For more information about how to prepare for participation in this cohort, contact the DMin office TODAY! Email <u>dmin@andrews.edu</u>; call 269-471-3544 or 888-717-6244.

DMin Alumnus in the News



An important element in the DMin program is the "Ministry Development Plan." Tara Vincross, a 2014 DMin graduate, wrote hers in hopes of putting it into action in the form of an urban evangelism school in Philadelphia.

She didn't know it at the time, but the Columbia Union Conference leaders had a similar plan in development. Eventually the plans merged and Tara is now the director of REACH Columbia Union—a 12-month training program using boots-on-the ground, immersive

experience in urban ministry that also provides the opportunity to earn up to 12 academic credits in partnership with Washington Adventist University.

Read more about the REACH Columbia Union Urban Evangelism School.

It's time for spring semester registration!

For those currently enrolled in the DMin program, please check your Andrews account now to make sure it is up to date. This will ensure that you will have financial clearance to register for the spring semester without interruption of access to University services. Remember, the program requires that you be registered for EVERY semester you remain in the program, either for credits or for continuation.

Cohorts Launching in 2016



Three concentrations are scheduled to launch new cohorts in 2016. Pre-intensive assignments begin about six months prior to the intensives, so now is an ideal time to start the application process.

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Ministerio Pastoral (Español): La concentration en Ministerio Pastoral (en Español) involucra a los participantes en un proceso de aprendizaje enfocado a mejorar su espiritualidad, su vida personal y sus relaciones profesionales. Intensivos septiembre 2016.

NEW! DMin Website in Español

For the convenience of participants in the Pastoral Ministry (Spanish) cohorts, a large portion of the DMin webpages is now available translated into Spanish. <u>Explore the Spanish section of the DMin website</u> and let us know if there is anything you would like to see added to these pages.

Important Reminder

If you are in a cohort that began in the spring of 2009, your six-year limit to complete degree requirements will expire at the end of April, 2016—next semester! It is important to pay careful attention to the deadline to apply for a program extension if you think there is any possibility you will need it. **The deadline to apply for a program extension will be February 3.** See the web page for <u>time limits and extensions</u> for details.

If you are almost ready for your project assessment, see the web page <u>for incremental</u> <u>project completion deadlines</u> that lead up to having an assessment date scheduled.

Schedule of Intensives

DMin alumni are welcome to utilize their ongoing benefit as participants at any of these intensives at no tuition charge. Spouses of enrolled or alumni participants are also invited. 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 |
|---|--------------------------------|---------------|-----------------------|
| (2013) Leadership | CHMN780 Leading and | January 12- | Andrews University |
| cohort | Managing the Church | 22, 2016 | |
| | Organization (Stan Patterson) | | |
| (2014) Organizational | CHMN760 Advanced | January 18- | Riverside, California |
| Leadership cohort | Leadership Competencies (Skip | 28, 2016 | |
| | Bell) | | |
| (2016) Leadership | CHMN747 Christian Leadership | February 1-9, | Riverside, California |
| cohort | (Skip Bell) | 2016 | |
| (2016) Leadership | GSEM790 DMin Project | February 10- | Riverside, California |
| cohort | Seminar (Bill Knott and/or | 16, 2016 | |
| | David Penno) | | |
| (2014) Youth and | DSRE765 Advanced Youth and | February 8- | Seattle, Washington |
| Young Adult Ministry | Young Adult Ministry (Steve | 16, 2016 | 3 |
| cohort | Case) | | |
| (2014) Discipleship | DSRE708 Mentoring for | February 7- | Loma Linda, |
| cohort | Discipleship and Biblical | 16, 2016 | California |
| | Spirituality (Ben Maxson) | | |
| (2014) Chaplaincy | CHMN786 Clinical Issues in | April 4-15, | Altamonte Springs, |
| cohort | Care and Counseling (Siroj | 2016 | Florida |
| | Sorajjakool) | | |
| (2015) Missional | GSEM706 Spiritual and | April 6-19, | Andrews University |
| Church, Preaching, | Theological Foundations for | 2016 | 5 |
| and Urban Ministry | Ministry (Jon Dybdahl or Allan | | |
| cohorts | Walshe) | | |
| (2016) Millennial | CHMN709 The Changing | April 19-29, | Altamonte Springs, |
| Church cohort | Church | 2016 | Florida |
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