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Seventh-day Adventist Theological Seminary

DOCTOR OF MINISTRY



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Mission!



Our commission is to reach people with the Gospel, the faith in God that formed us. We are called to live and share in such a way that people outside of our buildings and religious communities come to know Jesus.

The same is true for a seminary! We do not exist to prepare people to comfort the saints, to hold existing churches. Faith is lived outside the church, and ministry professionals prepare people who disciple others to be living witnesses in the shops, fields, streets, homes, and schools where life is lived.

We envision the Doctor of Ministry professional as one who has rekindled the excitement for what God can do in the lives of people and in our world!

Dr. Skip Bell
Program Director

“Assessment” can mean more than one thing...

We use the word “assessment” in the DMin program to refer to the oral presentation of a DMin participant’s doctoral project. However, the word is also used in a broader sense throughout academia to describe an evaluation process that results in improvements to the way we go about the learning process.

The Seminary has a full-time staff member whose responsibility includes formal assessment for all Seminary programs. DMin participants will receive email communication from AU Seminary Assessment (Denise Shaver) once every spring semester and once in the middle of a module year, asking participants to take a few minutes to respond via an online questionnaire. This is an opportunity for participants to tell us how that year’s module helped them grow, and also an opportunity to suggest ways to help the program improve. Feedback is important and valued, so when you hear from Denise, be sure to respond!

New cohort launches in the Leadership concentration



Twenty ministry professionals gathered in Orlando, Florida January 8-24 for their cohort’s first-year intensives. Participants come from across the United States and Canada, as well as Antigua and Trinidad. The group includes pastors, departmental directors, and a campus chaplain.

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 **May 20-23, 2013**. 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.

Where are they now?

We recently heard from alumnus Edwin Shimunzhila, who finished two degrees while at Andrews (MDiv and DMin). He and his wife returned home to Zambia in October of 2012; on December 4, Edwin was elected to serve as the first president of the newly-organized Lusaka Conference of the Seventh-day Adventist Church in Zambia.

It's time to apply for cohorts forming in 2014

- **A new concentration for chaplains**, with an intensive scheduled March 31 – April 15, 2014. More details to come soon—watch for announcements.
- **More cohorts launching in 2014**: for concentrations in **Discipleship & Biblical Spirituality**, **Family Ministry**, and **Youth & Young Adult Ministry**.

Most cohorts have been filling quickly, so apply early! For more information or to reserve a place in one of these cohorts, send email to dmin@andrews.edu.

To qualify for admission to the DMin program...

...you need to have the MDiv degree or educational equivalent. If you do not have an MDiv degree, you need a ministry-related graduate degree, plus enough additional qualifying credits to equal a minimum of 72 U.S. semester credits. Would you like to know if you qualify? Provide the DMin office with copies of your transcripts, and we will gladly have your records evaluated for MDiv equivalency. Contact dmin@andrews.edu.

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

Cohort	Intensive	Dates	Location
(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
(2013) Evangelism & Church Growth	GSEM790 DMin Project Seminar	April 30-May 8, 2013	Andrews University
(2013) Evangelism & Church Growth	CHMN724 Recovering the Life and Growth of the New Testament Church	May 8-16, 2013	Andrews University
(2011) Missional Church	CHMN714 Transformational Leadership and Organic Systems Thinking	May 1-10, 2013	Orlando, FL
(2011) Preaching	CHMN744 A History of Preaching	July 8-18, 2013	Andrews University
(2010) Family Ministry	DSRE757 Family Law & Public Policy	July 14-19, 2013	Andrews University
(2012) Pastoral Ministry Spanish	GSEM706 Spiritual & Theological Fdtns for Ministry	September 9-20, 2013	Andrews University
(2013) Leadership (In-residence cohort)	CHMN747 Christian Leadership	September 16-26, 2013	Andrews University
(2013) Leadership (In-residence cohort)	GSEM790 DMin Project Seminar	October 3-17, 2013	Andrews University