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## DOCTOR OF MINISTRY



November 2017

### Did you know...

...the Doctor of Ministry was the first doctorate to be offered by Andrews University? It was the first degree of its kind to be accredited by any college in Michigan. Initiated in the summer term of 1973 as a full-time, one-year program, graduates were conferred with their degrees in August of 1974 to Edwin English, Elwood Staff, and John Kroncke. After just three years of existence it was one of only seven DMin programs in the entire country to be designated as fully accredited with no reservations by the Association of Theological Schools.

Today, ATS accredits over 270 universities and seminaries, many of which offer DMin degrees. The program at Andrews is not only one of the first ATS-accredited DMin programs, but remains among those with the largest enrollment. What started as a generalized program has continued to evolve, offering a generous selection of concentrations to meet the needs of ministering in current culture.

### Apply Now for New 2018 Cohorts!



**The application deadline for new cohorts that will begin next semester is **JANUARY 31**,** but DON'T WAIT—pre-intensive assignment preparation has already begun! Apply NOW to assure yourself of a place in a cohort for one of these timely topics:

- [Chaplaincy](#) – available with health care emphasis; prior CPE required ONLY for health care option
- [Discipleship](#) (English)
- [Multiethnic/Multicultural Mission and Ministry](#)

Additional concentrations will launch new cohorts later in the year, with varying application deadlines depending on their launch dates. See these links for more details:

- [Discipleship](#) (Spanish)
- [Family Ministry](#)
- [Intergenerational Church](#)

All cohorts are limited to 25 participants. Applications are considered on a first-come, first-served basis, so it's to your advantage to apply early! [See the online application](#) for graduate programs to start the process. Questions about the program? Contact [dmin@andrews.edu](mailto:dmin@andrews.edu).

## Online Registration for DMin Participants

We encourage program participants to use Registration Central to enter your own course registration. This puts you in control of your own registration, keeps you in current student status without interruption in access to University status, and keeps student loans in deferred status. Remember, although the DMin program structure consists of year-long study modules, we have to fit within the University's semester structure. For this reason, registration must be renewed each semester, and not just in the semesters containing the intensive portion of your year's study. Registration is open now for the spring 2018 semester. See the [registration information page](#) on the DMin website for a thorough explanation and step-by-step instructions.

## Urban Mission and Ministry Congress



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Location: Andrews University

**September 6–8, 2018**



Find us online!  
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To register, call 402-486-8800  
or visit [www.adventsource.org](http://www.adventsource.org)

## Stories from DMin Alumni



Last month we invited DMin alumni to share their stories since finishing their DMin. One of the persons who responded is John Macharia Gichuri, who serves as Director of Education and Chaplaincy for the East Kenya Union Conference. Here is his message, slightly edited for brevity:

"I am a proud alumnus of the Andrews University [Global Mission Leadership] cohort that graduated in 2015 (extension campus, Adventist University of Africa). I am using the skills learned in the [DMin program] to continue mentoring young boys and girls and to provide Adventist Functional Substitutes for initiation rites of passage. This is the 11<sup>th</sup> year I am doing

this and it is getting better and larger every year. I started the program in 2007 in the district that hosts Adventist University of Africa with only eight boys. The program is now in six counties of Kenya and close to 1,000 boys and 400 girls have benefited from the program. (For) the program this year we hope to serve close to 400 boys and 200 girls...I am now working closely with the East Kenya Union Conference Youth Director to see whether the manual I developed [during my DMin studies] could be adopted to be part of the material used during this important stage of development in our boys and girls.”

We love to hear from our program alumni and welcome news from you about what’s going on in your ministry now. Of course we especially appreciate reports about how your DMin experience continues to be applied in your ministry. Keep in touch through [dmin@andrews.edu](mailto:dmin@andrews.edu). And don’t forget, you are always welcome to participate in upcoming DMin intensives. See the schedule below for what is available in the spring semester of 2018.

## Spring 2018 Program Schedule

DMin alumni are welcome to utilize their ongoing learning 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.) **Pay careful attention to the venues and dates, as some have changed from the originally-published schedule!**

Cohort	Intensive	Dates	Location/Professor
(2016) Leadership	CHMN760 Advanced Leadership Competencies 5 cr	January 15-26, 2018	Riverside, CA Skip Bell
(2015) Missional Church	CHMN714 Discipling Leaders for Mission 5 cr	February 5-16, 2018	Altamonte Springs, FL M.R. Cauley
(2016) Millennial Church	CHMN713 Transformational Leadership and Organic Systems Thinking 5 cr	March 19-30, 2018	Riverside, CA Skip Bell
(2018) Chaplaincy	CHMN787 Theory and Research in Chaplaincy 4 cr	April 9-17, 2018	Altamonte Springs, FL Johnny Ramirez
(2018) Discipleship	DSRE705 Theological and Historical Perspectives on Discipleship 4 cr	April 9-17, 2018	Altamonte Springs, FL Allan Walshe
(2018) Multiethnic/Multicultural Mission and Ministry	CHMN723 Theological and Social Science Foundations for ME/MC Mission and Ministry 4 cr	April 16-25, 2018	Kenley Hall Andrews University
(2017) Leading for Growth and Church Multiplication and Organizational Leadership cohorts	GSEM706 Spiritual and Theological Foundations for Ministry 8 cr	April 17-May 10, 2018	Andrews University Allan Walshe
(2018) Chaplaincy and Discipleship cohorts	GSEM790 DMin Project Seminar 4 cr	April 18-25, 2018	Altamonte Springs, FL David Penno
(2015) Urban Ministry	CHMN776 Urban Church Leadership and Management 5 cr	April 23-May 4, 2018	London, UK Skip Bell
(2018) Multiethnic/Multicultural Mission and Ministry	GSEM790 DMin Project Seminar 4 cr	April 26-May 3, 2018	Andrews University James Wibberding

*The Doctor of Ministry reduced residency (for intensive venues other than the Andrews University campus) is offered as an approved exception to Association of Theological Schools Degree Program Standard B, section E.3.1.1.*

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