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Spring 2014

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GENERAL SEMINAR INFORMATION

Intensive location: Florida Conference Office, Orlando, FL
Credits offered: 4

INSTRUCTOR CONTACT DETAILS

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SEMINAR DESCRIPTION

Forming the project proposal and issues related to completing the project successfully. Areas of focus include literature review, theological reflection, critical thinking, experiential learning, reflective observation, research design and techniques, reading and evaluating research, academic writing, an effective work plan for completion of the project, and other project-related topics.
OUTCOMES

Program Learning Outcomes (PO)

Doctor of Ministry (DMIN) Program Outcomes

1. Experience positive collegial relationships (PO 5).
2. Gain theoretical knowledge that contributes to advanced ministry (PO 7).
3. Evaluate ministerial practices through theological reflection (PO 9).
4. Use appropriate tools to analyze the needs of churches and communities (PO 10).
5. Develop habits of study that contribute to lifelong learning (PO 13).

Student Learning Outcomes (SLO)

The student should be able to:

1. demonstrate a focused commitment to academic research and writing
2. demonstrate a willingness to receive constructive criticism and input from others
3. demonstrate a knowledge of both Andrews Standards for Written Work and APA style
4. demonstrate an understanding of the principles of good academic research and writing
5. complete a successful DMin project proposal
6. incorporate the skills of good academic writing in all DMin assignments
7. complete a successful DMin project document

SEMINAR REQUIREMENTS

I. Pre-Intensive

Pre-Intensive Reading:

A journal is due the first day of the teaching intensive for each of the four required pre-session titles (excluding Andrews University Standards for Written Work). The journal (there will be four, one for each book) is an informal reflection of your thoughts as you read the book. Reflection in this context suggests a cognitive and imaginative process. Examine what you read in the article and “bounce it off” what you have experienced or imagined. Consider the text in the light of your values, experiences, ideas, and hopes. The result is your “reflection” on the text. Give deliberate and intentional attention to how the text relates to your life and relate it with written clarity. Journals are usually four to six pages, need not follow any particular style, and will not be graded for grammar, writing, etc. Begin the journal for each book with a simple statement that you have read the required book or state what you have read of the book.
Prepare and submit a report stating that you have read *Andrews University Standards for Written Work* (12th -Updated). You do not write a journal for this title.

The pre-intensive assignments are **due February 23, 2014, 8:00 am**. Upload these assignments in Moodle.


   This book can be downloaded from the following URL: [http://www.andrews.edu/sem/dmin/project/writing_assistance/](http://www.andrews.edu/sem/dmin/project/writing_assistance/)


   (Distributed by AdventSource, the NAD materials center at [www.adventsource.org](http://www.adventsource.org))

   Books can be purchased in any manner convenient to the participant. For ISBN and price information, please see the listing at the Bookstore [www.andrews.edu/bookstore](http://www.andrews.edu/bookstore).

II. During the Intensive

   A. Punctual attendance is required for all intensive sessions. A maximum of 10% absence of total activities is allowed.

   B. Participation in discussion, group activities, journaling, and compilation of notes is expected.

   C. Assignments due during the intensive:

   1. Develop a Title Page. **Due day 2, 8:00 am.**
   2. Write a 2-3 paragraph Description of the Ministry Context. **Due day 2, 8:00 am.**
   3. Write a 4-5 sentence Statement of the Problem. **Due day 2, 8:00 am.**
   4. Write a 1-2 sentence Statement of the Task. **Due day 3, 8:00 am.**
   5. Write a ¼ to ½ page Delimitations section. **Due day 3, 8:00 am.**
   6. Write a 1 page Description of the Project Process. **Due day 3, 8:00 am.**
   7. Develop a 2 page Project Document Outline. **Due day 4, 8:00 am.**
   8. Develop a 1 page Vita. **Due day 6, 8:00 am.**
   9. Develop a Reference List (12 references). **Due day 8, 8:00 am.**
III. Post-Intensive

A. Ministry Context Paper—Use available sources of information to write a 15-page paper describing the congregation or ministry organization in which you serve—including basic statistics such as typical attendance, community context, demographics, growth/decline trends, involvement of volunteers, financial giving (tithe, offerings, etc.), regular activities and programs, etc.—as well as an analysis of the congregation and community as a context for your Doctor of Ministry Project. A detailed outline of what is expected in this paper is in Appendix B, and will be explained during class time. The due date will be announced the last day of the seminar.

*This paper is to be written according to the latest edition of Andrews Standards for Written Work and the American Psychological Association (APA) Style Manual, and submitted via Moodle in MS Word. Since this is a graduate course, correct spelling, proper grammar, and non-sexist, non-racist language usage are basic requirements.*

B. There will be a three hour webinar approximately three months after the end of the intensive, sometime in June, 2014. The exact date will be set the last day of the intensive. Attendance at this webinar is required.

C. Prepare and submit a Project Proposal to the DMin Project Proposal Subcommittee. This means that both the Project Coach and your advisor have approved the proposal as ready for submission to the sub-committee (see rubric in Appendix A). The advisor must send the Project Coach an email by the due date, affirming approval of the proposal. All drafts of the proposal are sent to the advisor and Project Coach via email.

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**GRADING AND ASSESSMENT**

A. Credit Hour Definition

The Doctor of Ministry program requires 56 hours of study for each credit hour. This seminar is 4 hours, for a total of 224 hours.

For this seminar, the instructor estimates that this total of 224 hours will be distributed in the following activities:

- Reading and journaling – 84 hours
- Intensive – **55 hours**
- Assignments during the intensive – **10 hours**
- Ministry Context paper – **45 hours**

Development of the project proposal – **30 hours**

**B. Criteria for Grades**

Assessment is accomplished by evaluating participation and assignments around the outcomes of the concentration. The chart below describes the process of judging the integration of those outcomes.

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<td>February 23, 2014, 8 am</td>
<td>Pre-intensive reading and journaling&lt;br&gt;Intensive presentations and exercises</td>
<td>Journaling of literature: evaluation of personal reflection on the process of academic writing and research &lt;br&gt;<strong>(SLO 1)</strong></td>
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<td>Evaluation of the quality of intensive participation &lt;br&gt;<strong>((SLO 1))</strong></td>
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<td>Peer group evaluations of writing exercises during the intensive&lt;br&gt;One-on-one consultation with lead teacher(s) regarding draft of project proposal during the intensive</td>
<td>Observation of peer group interaction&lt;br&gt;The response of the participant during the one-on-one consultation and the revision of their proposal to reflect the feedback they received&lt;br&gt;<strong>((SLO 2, PO 5))</strong></td>
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<td>Intensive presentations—in particular the academic writing workshop—and the writing exercises Field Research presentations</td>
<td>Journaling of literature and evaluation of their understanding of the principles expressed in the literature&lt;br&gt;The incorporation of good principles of academic writing and research into their work done during and after the intensive</td>
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### Event Day

**During the Intensive**  
**July 2, 2014**

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**During the Intensive**

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#### C. Grade Points

**Pre-intensive Work:**
- Reading Journals—30 points each x 4 books = 120 points
- Reading Report (*AU Standards*) = 20 points

**During Intensive Work:**
- 160 points

**Post-Intensive Work:**
- Description of Ministry Context Paper = 350 points
An Approved Project Proposal (see rubric on pp. 14ff) 350 points

Total 1,000 points

LETTER GRADE SCALE:

A (96-100%)  B (85-89%)  C (75-78%)
A- (93-95%)   B- (82-84%)  C- (72-74%)
B+ (90-92%)   C+ (79-81%)

D. Assignment Submission

All assignments, except your final proposal, will be turned in via Moodle (go to https://aumoodle.andrews.edu/login/index.php and log in using your AU username and password)

Assignments are not accepted via email or hard copy. The only exception is the final proposal, which is sent to Dr. David Penno at penno@andrews.edu.

E. The late submission penalties for all assignments, except the project proposal, will be applied as follows:

- Late up to 30 days: 10% penalty
- Late 31-60 days: 15% penalty
- Late 61-90 days: 20% penalty
- Late more than 90 days: Grade of zero: no assignments accepted beyond 90 days

**Project Proposal is due July 2, 2014.** A grade of DN (deferred and not completetable*) will be given if the project proposal is not approved by the project coach and your advisor by this date. No excuses accepted or exceptions made. A DN means you must drop out of your cohort.

* Graduation requires a 3.0 or better program GPA. Students who receive a DN must seek permission from the DMin office to restart with another cohort and seek a new program time
limit. Such requests are considered by the DMin program committee and not guaranteed. No tuition refunds are considered.

ASESSMENT GUIDELINES

See rubric in Appendix A of this syllabus for the assessment tool used for the project proposal.

See Appendix B for criteria for the Ministry Context Paper.

SEMINAR POLICIES

Academic Integrity
“In harmony with the mission statement (p.18), Andrews University expects that students will demonstrate the ability to think clearly for themselves and exhibit personal and moral integrity in every sphere of life. Thus, students are expected to display honesty in all academic matters.

Academic dishonesty includes (but is not limited to) the following acts: falsifying official documents; plagiarizing, which includes copying others’ published work, and/or failing to give credit properly to other authors and creators; misusing copyrighted material and/or violating licensing agreements (actions that may result in legal action in addition to disciplinary action taken by the University); using media from any source or medium, including the Internet (e.g., print, visual images, music) with the intent to mislead, deceive or defraud; presenting another’s work as one’s own (e.g. placement exams, homework, assignments); using material during a quiz or examination other than those specifically allowed by the teacher or program; stealing, accepting, or studying from stolen quizzes or examination materials; copying from another student during a regular or take-home test or quiz; assisting another in acts of academic dishonesty (e.g., falsifying attendance records, providing unauthorized course materials).

Andrews University takes seriously all acts of academic dishonesty. Such acts as described above are subject to incremental discipline for multiple offenses and severe penalties for some offenses. These acts are tracked in the office of the Provost. Repeated and/or flagrant offenses will be referred to the Committee for Academic Integrity for recommendations on further penalties. Consequences may include denial of admission, revocation of admission, warning from a teacher with or without formal documentation, warning from a chair or academic dean with formal documentation, receipt of a reduced or failing grade with or without notation of the reason on the transcript, suspension or dismissal from the course, suspension or dismissal from the program, expulsion from the university, or degree cancellation. Disciplinary action may be retroactive if academic dishonesty becomes apparent after the student leaves the course, program or university.

Departments or faculty members may publish additional, perhaps more stringent, penalties for academic dishonesty in specific programs or courses°.

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Disability Accommodations
Accommodations are made for disabilities. Students with diagnosed disabilities should request accommodation. If you qualify for accommodation under the American Disabilities Act, please see the instructor as soon as possible for referral and assistance in arranging such accommodations.

Class Absences
“Whenever the number of absences exceeds 20% (10% for graduate classes) of the total course appointments, the teacher may give a failing grade. Merely being absent from campus does not exempt the student from this policy. Absences recorded because of late registration, suspension, and early/late vacation leaves are not excused. The class work missed may be made up only if the teacher allows. Three tardies are equal to one absence.

Registered students are considered class members until they file a Change of Registration form in the Office of Academic records”.

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Excused Absences
“Excuses for absences due to illness are granted by the teacher. Proof of illness is required. Residence hall students are required to see a nurse on the first day of any illness which interferes with class attendance. Non-residence hall students should show written verification of illness obtained from their own physician. Excuses for absences not due to illness are issued directly to the dean’s office. Excused absences do not remove the student’s responsibility to complete all requirements of a course. Class work is made up by permission of the teacher”.

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Language and Grammar
There is an expectation that a student enrolled in a graduate program possesses advanced written language skills, particularly in the language in which the degree is acquired. Thus, no special consideration will be given to English as a second language learners or native-English speakers who have yet to obtain mastery in written English. Such students are advised to seek the assistance of the campus writing lab or procure the services of an editor prior to the submission of their assignments. Tips for success include reading your assignments aloud and having someone else do likewise prior to submission. This practice will provide you with immediate feedback on your written assignments.

Emergency Protocol
Andrews University takes the safety of its student seriously. Signs identifying emergency protocol are posted throughout buildings. Instructors will provide guidance and direction to students in the classroom in the event of an emergency affecting that specific location. It is important that you follow these instructions and stay with your instructor during any evacuation or sheltering emergency.
Following my graduation from Southern Adventist University, I began fulltime pastoral ministry in the Pennsylvania Conference with a district of six churches. After completing my MDiv and DMin at Andrews University and serving in a two-church district near Philadelphia, I accepted a call to pastor a church in Boise, Idaho, where I now serve. Since arriving in Idaho, I have also had the privilege of serving as chaplain to the Idaho State Senate, on the local Conference Board of Education, and on the North Pacific Union Executive Committee.

My wife, Laura, and I have been happily married for nearly fifteen years and we thoroughly enjoy our three children, Kara, Jack, and Anna.
Appendix
# DMin Project Proposal Rubric

## Title Page

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<tr>
<td>Required Components</td>
<td>All of the required components of the title page are included: (1) the name of the University and seminary, (2) title of the study, (3) the degree for which the paper is submitted, and (4) the author’s name and current month and year</td>
<td>1 of the components is missing</td>
<td>2 of the components is missing</td>
<td>More than 2 of the components is missing</td>
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<tr>
<td>Formatting</td>
<td>The page is formatted correctly according to Andrews University Standards of Written Work. The components are all in the correct order and spaced correctly</td>
<td>The page is mostly formatted correctly according to Andrews University Standards of Written Work. One of the components is not spaced correctly</td>
<td>There are 2-3 spacing or placement errors</td>
<td>There are more than 3 spacing or placement errors</td>
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<tr>
<td>Title of the Study</td>
<td>Title <strong>clearly</strong> describes the what, who, and where of the project</td>
<td>Title describes the what, who, and where of the project</td>
<td>The title is only vaguely connected to the project</td>
<td>The title seems to have no connection to the project</td>
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<td>Language Conventions</td>
<td>There are no spelling errors</td>
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<td>No more than 1 page</td>
<td>More than 1 page or less than ⅓ page</td>
<td>Guidelines for length are not followed</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Content</td>
<td>Describes clearly and concisely the ministry context where the project will be implemented</td>
<td>Describes somewhat clearly the ministry context where the project will be implemented</td>
<td>Description lacks clarity and conciseness and/or are related more the outcomes than reasons of importance</td>
<td>No clear description of the ministry context</td>
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<tr>
<td>Format</td>
<td>Follows precisely the format in the project proposal example</td>
<td>Follows the format in the project proposal sample with minor variation</td>
<td>There are some clear differences from the project proposal sample</td>
<td>Does not follow at all the format of the project proposal sample</td>
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<td>Clearly Written</td>
<td>The Description is written in a reader-friendly manner that models clarity of expression. Uses short declarative sentences.</td>
<td>The Description is written in a reader-friendly manner. One or two sentences lack clarity of expression. Uses short declarative sentences.</td>
<td>Several sentence in the Description lack clarity of expression. Expression of some ideas is confusing to the reader. Uses long, rambling sentences.</td>
<td>The Description does not promote reader understanding and/or is unclear in language use and expression. Uses long, rambling or run-on sentences.</td>
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<td><strong>Length</strong></td>
<td>The Statement of the Problem is limited to 4 to 5 sentences</td>
<td>The Statement is 6 to 7 sentences</td>
<td>The Statement is 8-10 sentences</td>
<td>Guidelines for Statement length are not followed.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Nature of the Problem</strong></td>
<td>A specific problem from the ministry context is clearly identified</td>
<td>A specific problem is identified that is somewhat connected to the ministry context</td>
<td>The problem is not connected to the context of ministry</td>
<td>The problem is outside of the scope of ministry</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>Evidence of the Problem</strong></td>
<td>The reality of the problem is supported by clear objective evidence</td>
<td>The reality of the problem is supported by subjective evidence</td>
<td>The source of the evidence is unclear</td>
<td>There is no evidence given to support the reality of the problem</td>
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<td><strong>Restrictive Nature of the Problem</strong></td>
<td>The problem is neither too broad or too narrow and deals with one specific issue—any other problems are seen in subordination to the major one</td>
<td>A specific problem is identified but is either two broad or too narrow in scope</td>
<td>Multiple problems are identified</td>
<td>Does not demonstrate a clear understanding of the problem to be addressed</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>Components of the Statement</strong></td>
<td>The Statement addresses the stable context, provides evidence of the problem, the consequences of the problem, and identifies the destabilizing condition (root problem)</td>
<td>1 of the four components are missing from the Statement</td>
<td>2 of the four components are missing from the Statement</td>
<td>3 or more of the components are missing from the Statement</td>
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<td><strong>Format</strong></td>
<td>Follows precisely the format in the project proposal sample</td>
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<td><strong>Clearly Written</strong></td>
<td>The Statement is written in a reader-friendly manner that models clarity of expression. Uses short declarative sentences.</td>
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<td>Length</td>
<td>Is limited to 1 to 2 sentences</td>
<td>Is limited to 3 to 4 sentences</td>
<td>The statement is 5 to 7 sentences</td>
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<td>Relationship to the Statement of the Problem</td>
<td>The Statement of the Task relates directly to the Statement of the Problem</td>
<td>The Statement of the Task is somewhat related to the Statement of the Problem</td>
<td>The Statement of the Task does not clearly relate to the Statement of the Problem</td>
<td>There is no correlation between the Statement of the Task and the Statement of the Problem</td>
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<td>Restrictive Nature</td>
<td>The task is neither too broad or too narrow and deals with one specific problem—any other problems are seen in subordination to the major one</td>
<td>A specific task is identified but is either two broad or too narrow in scope</td>
<td>Multiple tasks are identified</td>
<td>Does not describe a clear task to be implemented</td>
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<td>Necessary Descriptors</td>
<td>Clearly states what you are going to do and why</td>
<td>Clearly states what you are going to do, but is less clear on why</td>
<td>The what and the why are vague</td>
<td>It is not clear what you intend to do or why</td>
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<td>Imbedded Intentions</td>
<td>There is a clear intention stated to develop, implement, and evaluate the intervention</td>
<td>The statement is missing one of the three intentions</td>
<td>Two or more of the intentions are missing from the statement</td>
<td>There are no imbedded intentions in the statement</td>
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<td>Clearly articulates self-imposed limitations of the project, such as ethnic groups, age groups, gender, church organizational units, geography, etc.</td>
<td>Somewhat articulates self-imposed limitations of the project, such as ethnic groups, age groups, gender, church organizational units, geography, etc.</td>
<td>Vaguely articulates self-imposed limitations of the project, such as ethnic groups, age groups, gender, church organizational units, geography, etc.</td>
<td>Does not articulate any real self-imposed limitations</td>
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<td>Follows precisely the format in the project proposal example</td>
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Appendix B
GSEM790 Field Research for Ministry

What to Include in the Research Paper

This assignment will also be the first draft of the section on your Ministry Context in Chapter 1 of your Project Document.

It should be a total of about 15 pages, double-spaced, in APA style, and formatted using the latest version of Andrews Standards for Written Works. Use Times New Roman font in 12 point.

1. Introduce the congregation (one or two paragraphs)
   - What year was it founded?
   - Where does it meet on Sabbath? (address, brief description of facilities)
   - Typical Sabbath attendance
   - Official membership
   - Total number of participants in all programs and activities
   - What school(s), institutions and conference is it related to?
   - When did you become pastor and how many years have you been there?

2. History (one page)

3. Internal statistics and trends (two or three pages)
   - Membership data over at least 10 years (a table or graph)
   - Attendance data over at least 10 years (a table or graph)
   - Giving data over at least 10 years (a table or graph for Tithe, local, other)
   - Summarize and comment on trends [Why various ups/downs/plateaus?]
   - How does per capita giving compare to conference per capita? Why?

4. Ministry overview (two or three pages)
   - Demographic profile of members if you have it or estimates/guesses
   - What percentage of members are involved in leadership? ... volunteering?
   - Describe regular ministries (groups, activities, programs)
     - About how many people currently participate in each?
     - Number of leaders? Number of others?
     - Percentage of members and non-members? (estimate)
   - Purpose and effectiveness of each
   - How did most of the people you baptized in the last year (or two or three) come into the congregation? How did your people flow relate to the various ministries?
   - Other analysis or comments on ministries

5. Community context (five to eight pages)
   - What type of community?
   - Demographics (get data from census web site)
   - Summarize: What kind of people live here? What is their culture and values?
   - Compare demographics of community with demographics of church members
   - Religious profile (www.thearda.com in the U.S.; census web site in other nations)
   - What are some of the major human needs in this community? (United Way, Percept, etc.)
What percentage of your members live in the community? Are involved in a civic group?
How well known is your church in the community? What community needs does it meet?
What is the penetration ratio? (Number of population per Adventist member)

6. How does the context relate to your project? (one or two pages)

If you are a department director, chaplain, administrator or director of a specialized ministry: Then define your territory as the “community” above and your constituency as the “congregation” above. For a department director, the focus may be “youth ministry in the Central Conference,” for example. For a chaplain, the institution is the “community” and you can focus on either the pastoral care department (including volunteers, relevant administrators, etc.) as your ministry organization or those who attend chapel as your “congregation,” if you wish.

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