# Ministry (D.Min.)

# **Doctor of Ministry**

# Description

The Doctor of Ministry program is an advanced professional degree designed for those who aspire to excel at the highest level in the practice of ministry. The curriculum provides ministry leaders with a biblically based philosophy and strategy that will enable them to maximize their effectiveness in ministry.

Tracks of study include: biblical preaching, church revitalization, and ministry. All courses are available online so that the opportunity to complete the degree can be achieved while remaining active in local ministry.

## **Admissions Requirements**

- Completed application
- Official transcripts from previously attended institutions
- Master's degree in bible, theology, or ministry from an accredited institution with a minimum GPA of 3.00
- Credentials earned outside of the US must be evaluated by an approved agency
- Written statement that includes salvation testimony, call to the ministry, and reason for entering the DMin program
- Two letters of recommendation, including one from current pastor, member of pastoral staff, church board, etc., where the applicant is currently serving
- Read and sign the Piedmont Divinity School's Student Doctrinal Statement and Standards of Behavior Statement
- Read and agree to respect the Teaching Perspective Statement of the Piedmont Divinity School faculty

## **Graduation Requirements**

- Shall have maintained a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0;
- Shall have made a B- or better in all courses in the curriculum;
- Shall have completed at least six of the final nine hours with Carolina University.

## **Degree Requirements**

- The maximum time limit to complete the program is five years
- Advanced Standing of six hours is available for applicants with a master's degree of 36 or more hours.

## Courses

## **Program Core (9 Credit Hours)**

MIN 700 - The Strategic Ministry Leader 3 Credit Hours MIN 710 - Philosophy and Practice of Ministry 3 Credit Hours MIN 740 - Challenges to the Christian World View 3 Credit Hours

### **Research Project (9 Credit Hours)**

RES 885 - Project Research Design and Procedures 3 Credit Hours RES 888 - Doctoral Ministry Project I 3 Credit Hours RES 889 - Doctoral Ministry Project II 3 Credit Hours

**Bible/Theology Courses (6 Credit Hours)\*** 

**Concentration Courses** 

### **Biblical Preaching Concentration (12 Credit Hours)**

MIN 820 - Pastoral Preaching and Teaching3 Credit HoursMIN 822 - Preaching and Teaching the Old Testament3 Credit HoursMIN 824 - Preaching and Teaching the New Testament3 Credit HoursMIN 825 - Developing Relevant Expository Messages3 Credit Hours

#### **Church Revitalization Concentration (12 Credit Hours)**

MIN 850 - Biblical Foundation of Church Revitalization and Health 3 Credit Hours MIN 854 - Principles & Strategies for Church Revitalization 3 Credit Hours MIN 858 - Addressing Challenges in Church Revitalization 3 Credit Hours MIN 864 - Innovations in Church Ministries 3 Credit Hours

#### **Ministry Concentration (12 Credit Hours)**

MIN 830 - Biblical Counseling 3 Credit Hours MIN 842 - Contemporary Strategic Issues in Missions 3 Credit Hours MIN 860 - Christian Education Curriculum 3 Credit Hours MPC 715 - Biblical Philosophy of Leadership

# 3 Credit Hours

\*This requirement is waived for those entering the D.Min. program with a master's degree of 36 or more hours.