

This program is designed for qualified men and women currently working in ministry contexts in two specific areas—Church Ministries and Leadership (CML) and Pastoral Care and Counseling (PCC). As part of an in-ministry program, classes are taught in a modular format so that students may maintain their existing ministry positions while pursuing the degree. Pre-course and post-course assignments are done independently in the ministry setting. All courses listed below are 3 credit hours each.

## **Ministerial Identity and Personal Assessment – DMIN 711 (CML/PCC)**

Designed to help the student examine the role(s) of the minister, develop a profile of personal ministerial style, and articulate a description of his or her ministerial identity. Leads the students into the development of personal goals for the Doctor of Ministry degree experience.

## **Biblical Issues and Themes for Ministry – DMIN 712 (CML/PCC)**

Examines selected Biblical themes and relates them to the minister's understanding of mission and empowerment. Places emphasis upon the relationship of the themes to practical problems and opportunities of ministry.

## **Ministry and Dynamics of the Holy Spirit – DMIN 716 (CML/PCC)**

Examines the distinctive approaches of Pentecostals/Charismatics to the role of the Holy Spirit in the experiences of the believer and the Church. Exegetical study is interpreted theologically to assist the student in formulating and enunciating a personal theology of charismatic ministry.

## **Theological Issues and Themes for Ministry – DMIN 717 (CML/PCC)**

Explicates selected theological tenets of the Christian faith and applies them to various situations and contexts of ministry. Students receive insights and assistance in thinking theologically while addressing relevant issues.

## **Missional Leadership Strategies for Today's Church – DMIN 730 (CML)**

Examines the principles and dynamics of church growth for implementation in the local church. Concepts and skills are developed that under gird the ministry of the church, both pastoral and missionary, and facilitate the task of evangelism and incorporation of believers into Christian groups.

## **Leading for Ministry Effectiveness – DMIN 732 (CML)**

Presents a concept of servant leadership based in the Scriptures and contemporary literature. Views the leader in various roles and relationships within the context of the local church or ministry. Gives assistance in determining the student's leadership and management styles. Stresses the integration of ministry and management.

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## **Healing Ministries in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century – DMIN 733 (CML/PCC)**

Guides the student in a comprehensive study of one of the distinctions of ORU. Examines the theological, historical, and practical dimensions of this topic. Examines various models and contexts for healing.

## **Communicating the Gospel – DMIN 735 (CML)**

Examines the role of the minister as related to preaching and teaching. Explores societal trends for the purpose of influencing strategies of preaching and teaching in order to increase relevance and effectiveness.

## **Principles of Supervision in Pastoral Care and Counseling – DMIN 738 (PCC)**

Common theologies, theories and techniques of supervision will be provided. Written case studies and ethical dilemmas will be utilized to engage students in the development of a personal supervisory contract that will guide their own supervision as well as the supervision they provide for others.

## **Clinical Pastoral Education – DMIN 740 (PCC)**

Students whose seminary education focuses primarily on individual, marital and family therapy, or persons who are licensed or licensed eligible as an LPC, LMFT or BCC **have the option** of completing one unit of CPE. This unique educational opportunity may be completed at any certified Clinical Pastoral Education site where students will engage with clergy, pastoral counselors and chaplains from various denominations in a highly supervised process of ministering to persons in clinical settings. Students who may have already received CPE credit on the Master's level will need to consult with the Doctor of Ministry office for special arrangements and requirements.

## **Advanced Workshop for Marriage and Family Therapy – DMIN 752 (PCC)**

This course will discuss the latest research in the field of marriage and family therapy. Special emphasis will be placed on responding theologically and therapeutically to specific contemporary issues, such as multiple family forms, sexual orientation, caring for aging parents, and marital infidelity. Providing preventative care and parent education will also be addressed along with divorce recovery and re-marital counseling.

## **Advanced Workshop for Addictive Behaviors – DMIN 753 (PCC)**

This workshop will use the case study method to present students with vignettes that demonstrate differing addictive disorders. Students will learn to make an assessment, assess risk, and to guide people through the change process. An orientation to the 12-step methodology will be given. This workshop assumes that students have a basic understanding of the counseling process.

## **Pastoral Care for Spiritual Formation – DMIN 761 (CML/PCC)**

Acquaints students with various models of spiritual formation and strategies for facilitating that development. Special attention will be given to the framework of systems theory and the concept of second order change. Creating an environment conducive for spiritual formation and recognizing the growth opportunities inherent in crises will also be emphasized. Class material will be presented within the context of a Pentecostal/Charismatic theology, with an emphasis on the major theme of Scripture – redemption.

## **Pastoral Counseling in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century – DMIN 768 (CML/PCC)**

Using case studies that depict common pastoral counseling-related situations, students will engage in a conversation regarding the question: What makes counseling pastoral? They will identify perspectives of humanity and evaluate their perspective in regard to the pastoral counseling task; learn the theological tasks of counseling; and become familiar with specific techniques that orient them to the diversity that is the church in the 21<sup>st</sup> century.

## **Research Methods in Pastoral Care and Counseling – DMIN 770 (PCC)**

This on-line course prepares students for the research requirements of the Applied Ministry Project by engaging them in the research process. Students will review Pastoral Care and Counseling literature in the area of interest to them and will select and defend a particular research methodology designed to answer a specific research question.

## **Foundations of Ministry Research – DMIN 785 (CML/PCC)**

Designed to help the student explore possibilities and options of a selected problem for applied research. After a project concept is approved by faculty members as viable, the concept is shared with the class for peer evaluation, input, and approval. Also includes instructions for writing an applied research project proposal.

## **Methods of Ministry Research – DMIN 786 (CML)**

An opportunity for students to offer reports of progress on applied research projects to peers and supervisors. The group is encouraged to critique the proposed research design and offer suggestions for improvement. Includes additional instruction in research design, gathering and treating data, and writing the final report.