

- The completion of a graduate theological degree and sufficient units of supervised Clinical Pastoral Education at a site accredited by the Association for Clinical Pastoral Education to total seventy-two graduate hours.
- Demonstrate the ability to do doctoral work by earning a 3.0 or higher grade point average on all previous graduate study.
- Have three years of ministry experience prior to application to the program.
- Engage in a recognized ministry at the time of application and throughout his/her studies at the seminary.

Deadlines

All application items must be received by the Doctor of Ministry Committee no later than...

- **December 1st** for participation in the March module.
- **February 1st** for participation in the May module.
- **May 1st** for participation in the August module.
- **August 1st** for participation in the November module.

Applications submitted after the stated deadlines will be considered only if there is space is available and the applicant has at least sixty days to prepare for the module. A Late Fee of \$35 must accompany the usual Application Fee.

Limitations

Requirements for the doctor of ministry degree are met over four years so the student has sufficient time to integrate theory and practice within the context of his/her ministry setting. Seven years is the maximum allowed for the completion of all degree requirements. Continuous enrollment (with fee) must be maintained after the fourth year or the student is withdrawn from the degree program.

Accreditation

Charlotte Theological Seminary **is accredited by the Transnational Association of Christian Colleges and Schools.**

Additional Information

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Objectives

The doctor of ministry program at Charlotte Theological Seminary is designed to assist the student enhance four ministry related competencies:

- **Formational competence** will encourage the student to deepen personal commitment to the spiritual disciplines and to serve as spiritual guide for those learning to live in the Spirit.
- **Homiletical competence** will enable the student to understand the text as it was intended by the original author and present a message understood and applied by a congregation in the 21st century.
- **Congregational competence** will equip the student to assess the health of a local congregation and provide leadership which stimulates vibrant ministry throughout the congregation.
- **Global competence** will engage the student in the growth of the church around the world and provide opportunities for his/her congregation to immerse itself in that growth.

Components

Each doctor of ministry module is comprised of three separate but integrated components:

- **Pre-residency** - Preliminary reading (2,000 pages per course) and other assignments chosen by the professor. Syllabi will be made available to students via the Student Information System approximately ninety days prior to the week on campus so the student will have sufficient time to order the required textbooks and complete all assignments.
- **Residency** - One week interactive teaching module on campus or a site chosen by the Director of the DMin Program.
- **Post-residency** - Integrative ministry and/or writing project which draws from assigned readings, classroom presentations and interaction, as well as additional research. Post-residency projects are due sixty days from the final day of the residency component.

Requirements

The doctor of ministry degree requires the completion of ten courses. Five of the courses are required:

PS 701	Biblical Theology of Ministry
PS 710	Art of Transforming Text into Sermon
PS 720	Disciplines that Revitalize the Pastor
PS 730	Creating a Global Vision in the Local Church
PS 740	Professional Doctoral Project

The student will build the remainder of his/her degree program around one of three options: Preaching, Pastoral Leadership, or Urban Ministry.

The Preaching option offers the following courses:

PS 800	Preaching the Literary Genres of Scripture
PS 805	Biographical Preaching
PS 810	Crafting Illustrations and Applications
PS 815	Preaching through a Book of the Bible
PS 820	Great Preachers and Their Messages

The Leadership option offers the following courses:

PS 830	Pastor as Spiritual Guide
PS 835	Revitalizing the Stagnant Church
PS 840	Identifying and Developing Leaders in the Local Church
PS 845	Strategies for Long-term Ministry Effectiveness
PS 850	Pastoral Leadership in the Culturally Engaged Church

The Urban Ministry option offers the following courses:

PS 860	Foundations of Urban Ministry
PS 865	Preaching to the Contemporary Listener
PS 870	Urban Church Leadership and Management
PS 875	Issues Confronting the Urban Pastor
PS 880	World Religions in the City

Students who wish to strengthen their ministry by taking courses from all three options may do so by petitioning the Director of the DMin Program.

Admissions

In addition to the general admission requirements of the seminary, doctor of ministry applicants must also:

- Hold the master of divinity or its equivalent from an accredited theological seminary CTS defines equivalency as...
 - The completion of seventy-two graduate hours in theological studies which has culminated in the awarding of at least one theological masters degree. Deficiencies must be satisfied prior to matriculation into the doctoral program.
 - The completion of two graduate theological degrees with one of the degrees having a concentration related to Christian ministry.

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