• 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 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 Continuous enrollment (with fee) must be maintained after the fourth year or the student is withdrawn from the degree program.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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