

# MINISTRY (D.MIN.) - MINISTRY LEADERSHIP

**Important:** This degree plan is effective for those starting this degree program in fall 2025 through summer 2026. This degree plan will remain in effect for students who do not break enrollment or who do not change degree programs, concentrations, or cognates.

| Code                | Title   | Hours    |
|---------------------|---|----------|
| <b>Core Courses</b> |   |          |
| DMIN 810            | Foundations for the Doctor of Ministry <sup>1</sup> | 3        |
| DSMN 815            | Personal Spiritual Formation                        | 3        |
| <b>Total Hours</b>  |   | <b>6</b> |

<sup>1</sup> DMIN 810, Portfolio Option courses, and Thesis Report Option courses may not be fulfilled with transfer credit or course substitution.

| Code                               | Title                                   | Hours    |
|------------------------------------|---|----------|
| <b>Ministry Leadership Cognate</b> |   |          |
| LEAD 810                           | Strategies for Developing Leaders       | 3        |
| LEAD 820                           | Organizational Leadership in the Church | 3        |
| LEAD 830                           | Ministry Leadership                     | 3        |
| <b>Total Hours</b>                 |   | <b>9</b> |

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|--|--|-----------|
| <b>Portfolio or Thesis Project Report Courses <sup>1,2</sup></b> |  |           |
| <i>Choose one of the following options:</i>                      |  | <b>15</b> |
| <i>Portfolio Option <sup>1</sup></i>                             |  |           |
| DMIN 851   | Micro-Project I                                  |           |
| DMIN 852   | Micro-Project II                                 |           |
| DMIN 853   | Micro-Project III                                |           |
| DMIN 854   | Micro-Project IV                                 |           |
| DMIN 855   | Portfolio Presentation                           |           |
| <i>Thesis Project Report Option <sup>1</sup></i>                 |  |           |
| DMIN 820   | Research and Thesis Development                  |           |
| DMIN 830   | Thesis Project Proposal Development              |           |
| DMIN 841   | Thesis Research and Writing Part I               |           |
| DMIN 881   | Thesis Research and Writing Part II <sup>3</sup> |           |
| DMIN 890   | Thesis Project Defense                           |           |
| <b>Total Hours</b>   |  | <b>15</b> |

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<sup>2</sup> Once the student enters the either the Portfolio process or Thesis Project Report process, he/she must maintain continuous enrollment (Fall and Spring semesters excluding Summer semester) until all degree requirements are completed

<sup>3</sup> Students choosing the Thesis Report Option may take DMIN 881 a maximum of four times. Any student who is not ready for enrollment in DMIN 890 after completing DMIN 881 the first time may be required, as determined by the student's thesis project mentor, to repeat DMIN 881 until deemed ready for enrollment in DMIN 890. Student must maintain

enrollment in DMIN 881 fall and spring semesters until deemed ready for enrollment in DMIN 890.

*All applicable prerequisites must be met*

## Graduation Requirements

- Complete 30 hours
- A maximum of 50% of a post-graduate and doctoral degree may be transferred if approved and allowable, including credit from an earned degree from Liberty University on the same academic level
- 3.0 GPA
- No more than one grade of C may be applied to the degree (includes grades of C+ & C-)
- No grade of D or below may be applied to the degree (includes grades of D+ & D-)
- Portfolio or Thesis required (Minimum grade of B-)
- Degree must be completed within 5 years
- Submission of Degree Completion Application must be completed within the last semester of a student's anticipated graduation date

## Program Offered in Online Format

### Course Sequence

| Course                  | Title   | Hours     |
|-------------------------|---|-----------|
| <b>First Semester</b>   |   |           |
| DMIN 810                | Foundations for the Doctor of Ministry                                  | 3         |
| DSMN 815                | Personal Spiritual Formation  | 3         |
| <b>Hours</b>            |   | <b>6</b>  |
| <b>Second Semester</b>  |   |           |
| LEAD 810                | Strategies for Developing Leaders                                       | 3         |
| LEAD 820                | Organizational Leadership in the Church                                 | 3         |
| <b>Hours</b>            |   | <b>6</b>  |
| <b>Third Semester</b>   |   |           |
| LEAD 830                | Ministry Leadership   | 3         |
| DMIN 820<br>or DMIN 851 | Research and Thesis Development<br>or Micro-Project I                   | 3         |
| <b>Hours</b>            |   | <b>6</b>  |
| <b>Fourth Semester</b>  |   |           |
| DMIN 830<br>or DMIN 852 | Thesis Project Proposal Development<br>or Micro-Project II              | 3         |
| DMIN 841<br>or DMIN 853 | Thesis Research and Writing Part I<br>or Micro-Project III              | 4         |
| <b>Hours</b>            |   | <b>7</b>  |
| <b>Fifth Semester</b>   |   |           |
| DMIN 854<br>or DMIN 881 | Micro-Project IV <sup>1</sup><br>or Thesis Research and Writing Part II | 3         |
| <b>Hours</b>            |   | <b>3</b>  |
| <b>Sixth Semester</b>   |   |           |
| DMIN 855<br>or DMIN 890 | Portfolio Presentation<br>or Thesis Project Defense                     | 3         |
| <b>Hours</b>            |   | <b>3</b>  |
| <b>Total Hours</b>      |   | <b>31</b> |

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DMIN 890 after completing DMIN 881 the first time may be required, as determined by the student's thesis project mentor, to repeat DMIN 881 until deemed ready for enrollment in DMIN 890. Student must maintain enrollment in DMIN 881 fall and spring semesters until deemed ready for enrollment in DMIN 890.