

DISCIPLESHIP MINISTRIES (DSMN)

DSMN 810 Biblical and Philosophical Foundations of Disciple Making 3 Credit Hour(s)

Online Prerequisite: DMIN 810

This class will examine N.T. principles of disciple-making and evaluate modern systems and structures. Students will be equipped to develop their own disciple making system in their local church or ministry context.

Note: Admission to DMIN program

Offered: Online

DSMN 815 Personal Spiritual Formation 3 Credit Hour(s)

Online Prerequisite: DMIN 810

This course will examine and assess individual spiritual health in order to create a plan to help a believer grow in the grace and knowledge of the Lord Jesus.

Registration Restrictions: Admission to DMIN program

Offered: Online

DSMN 820 Historical and Practical Discipleship 3 Credit Hour(s)

Online Prerequisite: DMIN 810

This course will examine the biblical and philosophical foundations of making disciples by examining disciple-making in the Gospels, the book of Acts and in the Epistles. Careful attention will be given to the commands of Christ and the practice (interpretation) of the early disciples. Disciple-making down through church history will also be reviewed.

Note: Admission to DMIN program

Offered: Online

DSMN 830 Environmental Discipleship Models 3 Credit Hour(s)

Online Prerequisite: DMIN 810

This class is designed to examine the biblical foundations for small group discipleship, how to develop small groups, how to grow small groups, how to develop small group leaders and how to transition to a small group (environmental) discipleship model. The focus of the class will be on how to accomplish the Great Commission in a relational context.

Note: Admission to DMIN program

Offered: Online

DSMN 850 Biblical Theology of Spiritual Formation 3 Credit Hour(s)

Online Prerequisite: DMIN 810

This course traces out the biblical theme of spiritual formation in both Old and New Testaments. Students gain an appreciation for the consistent manner in which biblical writers explain the process of spiritual growth by an appeal to natural growth processes in creation. Students also explore the place of spiritual formation within the larger purposes of the mission of God as it unfolds canonically and historically. Students formulate practical applications of a biblical model of spiritual formation to ministry practice within their own denominational and theological traditions.

Registration Restrictions: Admission to the DMin, the EdD in Christian Leadership, or the PhD in Christian Leadership program

Offered: Online

DSMN 860 History of Spiritual Formation 3 Credit Hour(s)

Online Prerequisite: DMIN 810

This course is an examination of the historical practices of spiritual formation throughout the life of the church. Focused on primary materials, this course will explore salient themes related to spiritual formation through the lens of discipline, theology, and practice.

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Offered: Online

DSMN 870 Facilitation of Spiritual Formation 3 Credit Hour(s)

Online Prerequisite: DMIN 810

This course focuses on the corporate aspect of spiritual formation against the backdrop of our hyper-individualistic culture and emphasis within Protestantism. The course will provide an analysis of those elements that facilitate and foster spiritual formation in Christian community. In particular, the course will examine an ecological model of spiritual formation as a way of conceptualizing and fostering growth and formation. Finally, this course will inspect the role of the Christian community in the facilitation of spiritual growth and maturity that brings into balance the disparate notions of academic and ministerial formation.

Registration Restrictions: Admission to the DMin, the EdD in Christian Leadership, or the PhD in Christian Leadership program

Offered: Online

DSMN 895 Directed Research 1-3 Credit Hour(s)

Designed for the advanced student in good standing who has demonstrated an ability to work independently. This course should/can only be used if a student lacks a seminar for graduation and the needed seminar is not offered in their last semester. If approved, the student will work with the instructor in developing a proposal for guided research in a specific area.

Offered: Online

DSMN 897 Seminar in Discipleship Studies 3 Credit Hour(s)

An intensive study in a specific subject of discipleship. This course allows variation in the approach and content of the regular curriculum and often will be used by visiting professors.

Offered: Online

DSMN 995 Directed Research in Educational Ministries 1-3 Credit Hour(s)

Designed for the advanced student in good standing who has demonstrated an ability to work independently. The student will work with the instructor in developing a proposal for guided research in a specific area.

DSMN 997 Seminar in Educational Ministries 3 Credit Hour(s)

An intensive study in a specific subject of educational ministries. This course allows variation in the approach and content of the regular curriculum and often will be used by visiting professors.

DSMN 998 Practicum 1-3 Credit Hour(s)