

PASTORAL COUNSELING (PACO)

PACO 821 Ethics and Issues in Pastoral Counseling 3 Credit Hour(s)

An in-depth examination of ethical and legal issues encountered by community counselors, including ethical principles, professional codes of conduct, identifying and resolving ethical dilemmas, ethical decision-making models, and laws governing the profession.

Offered: Online

PACO 825 The Role and Development of the Pastoral Counselor 3 Credit Hour(s)

Online Prerequisite: DMIN 810

This course explores the role of the pastoral counselor in contemporary ministry contexts. Students will examine theoretical frameworks, developmental strategies, and ethical considerations for effective pastoral counseling. Emphasis will be placed on the growth and readiness of the student to serve in pastoral counseling contexts.

Registration Restrictions: Admission to DMIN program

Offered: Online

PACO 826 Growth and Development of the Pastoral Counselor 3 Credit Hour(s)

An in-depth look at the person in ministry. Extensive testing will form the foundation for this course and students will use the results to develop a growth profile.

Offered: Online

PACO 830 Individual & Family Issues in Pastoral Counseling 3 Credit Hour(s)

Online Prerequisite: DMIN 810

This course is designed to provide an in-depth study of the commonly addressed issues encountered in pastoral counseling. This study will include topical discussions of individual and family issues including the more common mental health disorders and familial issues such as family composition, childbirth, parenting, and other pertinent topics throughout the lifespan.

Registration Restrictions: Admission to DMIN program

Offered: Online

PACO 835 Premarital & Marital Issues in Pastoral Counseling 3 Credit Hour(s)

Online Prerequisite: DMIN 810

This course provides an in-depth study of premarital counseling as well as marital distress and dissolution, marriage theory, intervention strategies, and factors central to marital renewal, stability, growth, and health.

Registration Restrictions: Admission to DMIN program

Offered: Online

PACO 840 Crises and Current Issues in Pastoral Counseling 3 Credit Hour(s)

Online Prerequisite: DMIN 810

This course provides an in depth study of the onset, duration, and appropriate interventions for various crises encountered in pastoral counseling. This study will include topical discussions of crises including natural and manmade disasters, trauma, suicidal ideations, and familial crises.

Registration Restrictions: Admission to DMIN program

Offered: Online

PACO 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

PACO 897 Seminar in Pastoral Counseling 3 Credit Hour(s)

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

Offered: Online

PACO 989 Dissertation 3 Credit Hour(s)

Preparation for research and writing of the Dissertation.

Offered: Online

PACO 990 Dissertation Defense 3 Credit Hour(s)

Offered: Online