

DOCTOR OF MINISTRY IN CONGREGATION AND FAMILY CARE

The Doctor of Ministry in Congregation and Family Care program is designed for pastors and ministry staff of churches as well as for those carrying specific responsibilities in the areas of pastoral care, counseling, and spiritual formation. Persons in the program will explore the most common spiritual, mental health, and relational issues encountered in ministry; plan appropriate strategies of care and guidance for those issues; attain insight into how their own spiritual, mental, emotional, theological, and cultural formation affects their ministries; and practice contextualization and theological reflection with regard to issues of human need and pastoral care.

Earning the Doctor of Ministry in Congregation and Family Care degree requires completion of 48 semester credits and the completion of the Mid-Career Assessment Process. In addition to the thesis process, concentration courses, and elective courses, all persons in the program will take 18 credits of required courses: Personal Well-Being & Ministry Effectiveness; Integral Research and Writing; Thesis Proposal Foundations; and Thesis Proposal Workshop.