MINISTRY (D.MIN.) - SPIRITUAL FORMATION

Important: This degree plan is effective for those starting this degree program in fall 2026 through summer 2027. 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
Program Courses		
Core Courses		
DMIN 810	Foundations for the Doctor of Ministry [1]	3
DSMN 815	Personal Spiritual Formation	3
Portfolio or Thesis Project Report Courses [1,2]		
Choose one of the following options:		*15*
Portfolio Option [1]		
DMIN 851	Micro-Project I	
DMIN 852	Micro-Project II	
DMIN 853	Micro-Project III	
DMIN 854	Micro-Project IV	
DMIN 855	Portfolio Presentation	
OR		
Thesis Project Report Option [1]		
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 [3]	
DMIN 890	Thesis Project Defense	
Total Hours		**21**

1. DMIN 810, Portfolio Option courses, and Thesis Report Option courses may not be fulfilled with transfer credit or course substitution.
2. 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
3. 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.

Code	Title	Hours
Spiritual Formation Cognate		
DSMN 850	Biblical Theology of Spiritual Formation	3
DSMN 860	History of Spiritual Formation	3
DSMN 870	Facilitation of Spiritual Formation	3
Total Hours		**9**

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

First Year		
First Semester		**Hours**
DMIN 810	Foundations for the Doctor of Ministry	3
DSMN 815	Personal Spiritual Formation	3
	Hours	**6**
Second Semester		
DSMN 850	Biblical Theology of Spiritual Formation	3
DSMN 860	History of Spiritual Formation	3
	Hours	**6**
Second Year		
Third Semester		
DSMN 870	Facilitation of Spiritual Formation	3
DMIN 820 or DMIN 851	Research and Thesis Development or Micro-Project I	3
	Hours	**6**
Fourth Semester		
DMIN 830 or DMIN 852	Thesis Project Proposal Development or Micro-Project II	3
DMIN 841 or DMIN 853	Thesis Research and Writing Part I or Micro-Project III	3-4
	Hours	**6-7**
Third Year		
Fifth Semester		
DMIN 854 or DMIN 881	Micro-Project IV [1] or Thesis Research and Writing Part II	3-5
	Hours	**3-5**
Sixth Semester		
DMIN 855 or DMIN 890	Portfolio Presentation or Thesis Project Defense	0-3
	Hours	**0-3**
	Total Hours	**27-33**

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

***Students must choose either the Portfolio Option (DMIN 851, DMIN 852, DMIN 853, DMIN 854, DMIN 855) or the Thesis Project Report Option (DMIN 820, DMIN 830, DMIN 841, DMIN 881, DMIN 890).

All applicable prerequisites must be met