

D.Min. Program Goals with SLOs Integrated

Louisville Seminary intends that students in this program:

- (1) demonstrate an advanced understanding and integration of ministry in relationship to several theological disciplines and a focused area of study or track (Advanced Practice of Ministry, Interim Ministry, Pastoral Care and Counseling, Black Church Studies)
- (2) demonstrate an ability to articulate their comprehensive understanding of ministry, grounded in theory and practice in appreciative and critical correlation

SLO1: Students will demonstrate an advanced (comprehensive, appreciative, and critical) understanding and integration of ministry in relationship to several theological disciplines, including practical theology (Goals 1 and 2).

- (3) develop and acquire skills and competencies in advanced theological reflection on the practice of ministry and in methods of research in practical theology that are required for pastoral leadership at its most mature and effective levels
- (4) contribute to the understanding and practice of ministry through the completion of the Doctor of Ministry project, conducted in a particular context, and the writing of a formal project report

SLO2: Students will demonstrate skills and competencies in methods of research in practical theology by successfully completing the D.Min. project and presenting an acceptable written report of the project (Goals 3 and 4).

- (5) identify areas of personal growth in spiritual awareness and theological and ethical sensitivity, informed by their vocational commitments as people of faith and church leaders to a life in the Spirit, nurtured by participation with others in Christian practices and the work and life of ministry

SLO3: Students will be able to identify areas of personal and vocational growth in spiritual awareness by the development of a personal-professional plan for self-care, spiritual nurture, and lifelong learning (Goal 5).