

Doctor of Ministry (D.Min.) Degree

Upon completion of the Doctor of Ministry program, the graduate should be able to:

- 1. Explore their walk with Christ and how it relates to the character formation and servant leadership.
- 2. Critically analyze global ministry trends from a Biblical perspective to establish theologically grounded ministry paradigms.
- 3. Evaluate theories of race, class, and gender from a Biblical perspective to create incarnational ministry models.
- 4. Synthesize the Biblical understanding of the church with the historic and contemporary models for the purpose of the churches' renewal.
- 5. Create a solution-focused DMin project to help a church or ministry.

Mission Statement: To develop men and women with competency and courage as they minister across the theological-social justice round table locally and globally for the Kingdom.

The Doctor of Ministry program is designed to provide the highest professional education for ministers and missionaries. The doctoral tracks, Missional Pastoral Leadership and Global Engagement, prepare men and women for engagement with both local and global ministries. The courses are designed to enrich students seeking an advanced biblical education and to equip them for missional living. The program guides students toward their doctoral dissertation, a final project which makes a theological and ministerial contribution for the sake of equipping the Church for faithful service. Our faculty teach and mentor students as they journey through classroom instruction that fosters a holistic theologizing process, one which embraces God's heart for all peoples, and a humble dependence on the presence of the Spirit of Christ for the academic and ministerial task.

This is the breakdown of core curriculum for the Doctor of Ministry.

MIN7100	Personal and Collective Spiritual Forma	ation	3 Credits
MIN7200	Revitalization of Church and Ministry		3 Credits
MIN7400	Administration and Management		3 Credits
MIN9000	Major Project: Research Proposal		3 Credits
MIN9010	Major Project: Literature Review		3 Credits
MIN9020	Major Project: Dissertation Writing I		3 Credits
MIN9025	Major Project: Dissertation Writing II		3 Credits
MIS8330	Engaging Social Justice Issues		3 Credits
*Specialization Track		12 Credits	
		Total	36 Credits



SFBC's Doctoral tracks are Missional Pastoral Leadership and Global Engagement. These two tracks prepare men and women to engage both local and global ministries. The challenges of the local communities are interconnected with that of the global community. Equipping men and women must cater for this contextual paradigm that is upon us. Our tracks are intentionally robust in their integration of global and local issues, of the classroom and real life, and of the dependence on the Holy Spirit with excellent stewardship. Our faculty teach, model, and mentor students as they journey through the curriculum. Our classroom fosters a holistic theologizing process that inspires students to take a fresh integrative outlook of God's heart for all peoples. SFBC's Doctor of Ministry program forms pastors and leaders with a humble dependence on the power and presence of Jesus Christ to do the impossible task He has called us to. We form men and women who care and who stand with courage to influence our local and global communities.

Track One: Missional Pastoral Leadership Track

Who are missional pastors? These are men and women who live with an ongoing consciousness of their 'pilgrim nature' and the idea of being sent. They are not at ease with the resident status quo and seek to develop the local church from a missional outlook. They understand that God, who is missional in nature, has orchestrated the sending of the Son, the Holy Spirit, and now the church to fulfill His Kingdom mandate. Missional pastoral leadership does not see a dichotomy between compassionate care within the walls of the church and outside of the walls of the church. They nurture their congregations, so they can go outside of the church and freely give it away. Therefore, missional pastors ensure the church's infrastructure is set up to flow with this mode of pastoring. The nature of the church reflects the missional nature of God. It is not doing missions to build one's church as seen in the convergent monolithic model that has become our acceptable norm.

HIS8230	Reverse Missions and the Migrating C	Church	3 Credits
MIN7500	Missiological Implications of Technol	ogy	3 Credits
MIN8200	The Missional Pastor		3 Credits
THE8240	Third Millennium Discipleship		3 Credits
	Total		12 Credits

Track Two: Global Engagement Track

The perspective of global and local interdependence is invaluable to both local and global ministries. How should ministries engage in global challenges that face the church? Social justice issues like racism, sexism, poverty, among others, have infiltrated both our local and global lives. In our interconnected world, the church faces ever-increasing pressure from different worldviews from the nations among us. This track equips men and women to be leaders who will engage diverse worldviews from a biblical stance, respond to social justice issues in accordance with their sense of call, and who will build a bridge between the church and the global community. This track is suitable for students who have vocational



goals in missiology, the history of global mission, non-profit or social services leadership locally, nationally and internationally, and international justice workers and chaplains.

MIN8310	Global Christianity and Ministry	3 Credits
MIS8315	Hybridity and Third Millennium Missions	3 Credits
MIW8320	Engaging Worldviews	3 Credits
THE8300	Global Hermeneutics	3 Credits
	Total	12 Credits