

Global Health and Wholeness

Doctor of Ministry Degree



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The Purpose of the Global Health and Wholeness degree

The Doctor of Ministry in Global Health and Wholeness takes as its foundation the apostolic mission given by Jesus to the Twelve and through them to all the People of God. "As you go, proclaim the good news, 'The Kingdom of Heaven has come near.' Cure the sick, raise the dead, cleanse the lepers, cast out demons..." (Matthew 10:7-8a) This mandate requires the church to develop and sustain ministries that directly serve and promote health and wholeness both at home and around the world.

Carrying out this mission requires

- Providing care for those in need,
- Establishing educational and other prevention strategies,
- Advocating for health care justice and
- Working collaboratively with ecumenical and interfaith partners.

Global Health and Wholeness also requires attending to the local and global interconnection of individual, congregational and communal experiences of health and wholeness, as well as to the interconnections of body, mind and spirit in persons.

Degree Program Overview

The Global Health and Wholeness DMin Program rests foundationally on the exploration of the core principles of social justice but it has as its primary focus an emphasis on those principles and practices that will foster personal and social well-being across the globe.

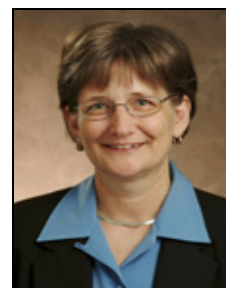
In addition to the Christian vocation to offer pastoral and health care to all, particular attention will be given to the specific health care injustices associated with:

- Diseases linked to malnutrition and poverty such as tuberculosis, malaria, cholera, etc)
- Aging, interpersonal violence, and war,
- Discrimination against those with mental illness, addictions, HIV/AIDS, and/or disabilities and
- Lack of access to health care for the marginalized

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The Doctor of Ministry in Global Health and Wholeness will:

By integrating theory and practice, prepare students to develop and contribute meaningfully to local and global health and wholeness ministries, whether by developing new or revitalizing existing programs or modes of advocacy, intervention or care within congregations, agencies, and communities. Upon completion of this specific Doctor of Ministry program, students will be able to:

- **Articulate** biblical and theological foundations for social justice and health and wholeness ministry,
- **Express** a Christian pastoral theology of health and wholeness, that engages biblical, theological and social scientific conceptions of health and wholeness,
- **Analyze** from a Christian ethical perspective health care systems and ministries
- **Engage** and articulate the connections between interpersonal, congregational and communal, as well as local and global, issues of justice and health,
- **Recognize** and develop strategies to impact the diverse social, cultural and environmental factors that contribute to or hinder health and wholeness,
- **Access** ecumenical, interfaith and other community (local and global) resources that address issues of health and wholeness,
- **Develop** from a Christian perspective of social justice, a plan for ministry that addresses (an) issue(s) related to health and wholeness in a particular context.

Overview of Course Schedule

Term	Course	Credit Hour
January 2011	Doctor of Ministry Orienting Seminar	(2)
	<i>Locating Social Justice Ministries: Sociopolitical and Cultural Contexts</i>	(2)
June 2011	<i>International Immersion: Pre-immersion readings will focus on Pandemic Health Crises and Poverty: Making the Connections (e.g., Malnutrition, HIV/AIDS, Malaria)</i>	(3)
	<i>Spiritual Traditions and Ministry</i>	(2)
January 2012	Theology and the Church's Ministry	(2)
	<i>Contextual Pastoral Theology and Care for the Marginalized</i>	(3)
June 2012	Prophetic Ministry	(2)
	<i>Social Justice Foundations: Biblical and Theological Bases for Social Justice</i>	(3)
January 2013	<i>Health Care: Biblical and Christian Ethical Traditions</i>	(2)
	<i>Global Health and Wholeness: Pastoral Theology and Care Perspectives</i>	(3)
	Praxis Thesis Seminar	(1.5)
Fall 2013	Praxis Thesis Proposal Conference	(0.5)
May 2014	Praxis Thesis Conference – Graduation	(4)
Total credit hours		(30)

Contact Information

To obtain more information about this exciting and innovative approach to doctoral education, please contact either lead faculty or Student Services in person, by phone, or on the web. To apply for the Doctor of Ministry Global Health and Wholeness degree, send a completed Doctor of Ministry Application to the Saint Paul School of Theology Student Services Office by the application deadline of November 1, 2010.

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