



My time at Hartford Seminary has challenged me to step outside the boundaries of my religious and theological security systems, enabling me to be a better Christian pastor in our pluralistic world.

The Rev. Dr. Matthew Braddock
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In my role in Ecumenical Ministry, my training at Hartford Seminary prepared me to work with people of diverse disciplines and diverse faiths. ... Hartford Seminary has been the foundation of who I have become as a minister and I will be forever grateful.

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Doctor of Ministry



A degree program offering professional and personal growth for leaders of faith communities

Contemporary religious leaders need an educational program that directly addresses the leadership challenges of today's ministry settings with innovative approaches.

At Hartford Seminary, the Doctor of Ministry Program prepares students to take on these challenges and faithfully lead into the future. The program uniquely grounds this educational process in your ministry setting as it provides you with tools to creatively address the needs of your faith community.

Drawing on a long history of the practical study of congregational life, a nationally respected religion research program and a diverse multifaith constituency, Hartford Seminary's DMIN courses offer innovative solutions to congregational challenges. The ministry action project helps cultivate strategies and insights to tackle systemic ministry change.

Additionally, the cohort group fellowship and peer learning expand networks of relationships to alumni and faculty that assist in maintaining vibrant ministry long after graduation.

The program provides opportunities for broadening one's perspective on ministry no matter what your setting might be — from a congregation or chaplaincy post to spiritual retreat, social service, consulting or denominational positions. Recognizing that ministry increasingly happens in a multifaith world, the program provides the opportunity to engage in interreligious conversations and study Islam and Christian-Muslim relations, global pluralism and interfaith dialogue.

Distinctive Features of the Program

COLLEAGUE SEMINAR

Meeting five times a semester for two years, this cohort-based seminar provides supportive peer learning that allows faith leaders to explore their ministry and its challenges analytically and theologically in an atmosphere of personal and professional sharing.

COURSE ELECTIVES

DMIN students have the opportunity to study in diverse fields with Seminary faculty and other nationally known adjuncts. The six required electives can be taken from the broad spectrum of courses flexibly offered in summer intensives, online and in daytime and evening sessions during the semester.

MINISTRY PROJECT

In the final phase of the program, students design and implement an action plan to effect change in their ministry setting and then evaluate and reflect on the process and leadership outcomes. These projects are directly relevant to the wider faith community and often contribute to the literature on leadership in the practice of ministry.

RECENT DOCTOR OF MINISTRY PROJECT TITLES

- Evangelism in the new millennium: A parish television ministry
- Decentralizing ministry through small-group leadership development
- Inter-religious dialogue: A tool for transformation in the local church
- A whole church approach to spiritual growth through covenant and commitment
- Building an active Christian Single Adults Ministry
- Web site development as a process for congregational study, education, and evangelism



I can't say enough about my Doctor of Ministry experience at Hartford Seminary. By participating in an interfaith community of ministerial colleagues, I broadened and deepened my conception of ministry. Reexamining my theological conceptions broadened and deepened my faith. Learning new methods of organizational development and change management broadened and deepened my practice of ministry.

The Rev. Dr. Terasa G. Cooley
*Director of Congregational Life,
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After completing the DMIN program I am happy to say, Hartford Seminary is on the cutting edge. It is a wonderful safe environment for people of faith.

Imam Dr. Salahuddin Muhammad
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For those who would like the opportunity to study in an interfaith setting with distinguished faculty, who value the support of colleagues and who appreciate an open exchange of ideas and experiences, Hartford Seminary is the place!

The Rev. Paul D. Krampitz
*Pastor, St. Andrew Evangelical
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The greatest gift was the conversation partners I encountered at a key moment in my ministry, the self-motivated passionate religious leaders from diverse backgrounds and the exceptional scholars with a heart for the church.

The Rev. Dr. Lillian Daniel
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