




San Francisco
Theological Seminary

**DOCTOR OF MINISTRY
COURSE SCHEDULE**


January 2020 Intersession

January 2020 Intersession DMin seminars are also offered as Professional Development courses for pastors, chaplains and other religious professionals with an MDiv, or equivalent, and at least 3 years professional experience.

PASTORAL CARE & COUNSELING

<p>January 6–10, 2020</p> <p>9am–5pm</p>	<p>How People Change: Theology and Theories of Counseling</p>	<p>This course examines contemporary theoretical models of pastoral care and counseling. Two questions will guide us. One, how do people change and grow, and how do we understand change both psychologically and theologically. Psychotherapy and religion both claim to be systems that help people change. Secondly, what is pastoral counseling today? Through this course, each student will be able to build her or his personal theory of pastoral counseling, including a theory of change. Our eye will be toward building an integrative theory of pastoral care and counseling that fits the context of today's pastoral counselor and the needs of today's parishioner. The class will provide opportunities for students to both learn the theory and practice skills in each respective theory.</p>	<p>Rev. Chris Arockiaraj, P.S.S., Director of Pastoral Formation, at Theological College</p> 
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ELECTIVES

<p>January 13–17, 2020</p> <p>9am–5pm</p>	<p>Making Ritual Rich: Enhancing and Creating Rituals for a Variety of Religious-or-Not Settings</p>	<p>This course will focus on the underlying principles of ritual that can inform the creation and practice of meaningful, memorable and supportive moments in the lives of people from diverse religious backgrounds or no religious tradition. Whether you seek to create something fresh in a church or other ministry setting (chaplaincy, advocacy work, education, etc.), this exploration of the field of ritual studies will equip you with invaluable theories and practices.</p>	<p>Marcia McFee PhD, Ford Fellow, SFTS Center for Innovation in Ministry</p> 
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EXECUTIVE LEADERSHIP

<p>January 13–17, 2020</p> <p>9am–5pm</p>	<p>Culturally Attentive Conflict Ministry</p>	<p>This course addresses the challenges of conflict management as central to the task of leadership in ministry. It focuses on enabling the cultivation of wisdom and agility in leadership, enhancing the leader's proficiency in culturally attentive conflict management practices. This seminar will engage participants in examining approaches to and resources for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Detection of conflict, • Diagnosis of a conflict situation, and • Discernment of ways to address that conflict, with the goal of developing capacity to lead with attentiveness to the ethnic and organizational culture of their ministry contexts through examination of the following postures: • Environmental - leadership as management of environment, • Ecological - leadership as maintenance of relationships in a cultural system, and • Evocational - leadership as mobilizing members for new and deeper discernment of congregational call. 	<p>Rev. Dr. Virstan Choy, Director of Advanced Pastoral Studies and Associate Professor of Ministry, SFTS, Retired</p> 
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PASTOR AS SPIRITUAL LEADER

<p>January 7–11</p> <p>8:30am–5pm</p>	<p>Contemplative Listening</p>	<p>Contemplative Listening is a meditative discipline that helps us listen closely to what is said and not said. It is listening from the heart to the heart of another. In larger and smaller groups, we will engage a variety of listening and other contemplative practices that help us drop into an open space where another can be listened into speech. This is a core course for DMin students in the PSL concentration.</p>	<p>Dr. Daeseop Yi, Affiliate Faculty in Spirituality, SFTS</p>  <p>Scott Quinn, The Chaplaincy Institute, Marin Interfaith Council</p> 
<p>January 7–11</p> <p>8:30am–5pm</p>	<p>Spiritual Formation and Practice</p>	<p>The ancient practice of spiritual direction is rooted not only in what one learns in a classroom but in on-going commitment to spiritual practice and formation. This class will provide opportunities to encounter several classical and contemporary models of spiritual practice while also engaging in different forms of meditation, art, chant, and body prayers. By deepening our personal practice we will learn to “guard the heart,” inspire the spirit, welcome diversity, and remain more vibrantly present to others. So you will be prepared at the beginning of the course, readings will be sent out in advance. This is an elective option for DMin students in the PSL concentration.</p>	<p>Dr. Wendy Farley, Professor of Christian Spirituality, SFTS</p> 
<p>January 13–17</p> <p>8:30am–5pm</p>	<p>Discernment</p>	<p>Dr. Liebert, one of the original Directors of the Program in Christian Spirituality at SFTS, continues her popular teaching with study of the theory and practice of discernment. Course materials will be sent out in advance of the class so students can come prepared for further study and deeper practice in their own discernment and in their work with their directees. This is an elective option for DMin students in the PSL concentration.</p>	<p>Dr. Elizabeth Liebert, Professor Emerita of Spiritual Life, SFTS</p> 

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