



WTS-ECHAM

Doctorate in Ministry

DMin in Evangelical Theology

*Engaging the Pastoral, Doctrinal & Public Theologies
of The Hispanic American Church*

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Vision

The vision of the doctoral program *DMin) Evangelical Theology Engaging the Pastoral, Doctrinal & Public Theologies of The Hispanic American Church* is animated by a dogmatic and constructive vision of evangelical theology.¹

Mission

The mission of the doctoral program (*DMin) Evangelical Theology Engaging the Pastoral, Doctrinal & Public Theologies of The Hispanic American Church* is guided by reflection and action² of the pastoral and ecclesial tasks of evangelical theology.³

Structure & 3-Year Curricular Plan

The structure of the doctoral program (*DMin) Evangelical Theology Engaging the Pastoral, Doctrinal & Public Theologies of The Hispanic American Church* builds upon the Trinity as an organizing structure.

Focus / Year	2022-2023	2023-2024	2024-2025
Trinity as an organizing structure	God the Father	God the Son	God the Spirit
Biblical-Theological Virtue	Faith	Hope	Love
Ecclesial Emphasis	Pastoral (Theological-Historical)	Doctrinal (Biblical-Narrative)	Public (Missional-Relational)
Pedagogical Focus	Theological Methods	Theological Foundations	Theological Approaches
Thesis-Research Phases	Preliminary Ideas & Outlines	Chapter 1 Introduction Chapter 2 Literature Review	Chapter 3 Methodology Chapter 4 Data Analysis Chapter 5 Conclusion and Recommendations

Course Content (General)

2022-2023

- WEEK 1 – Pastoral Theology: Classical Tradition and Contemporary Models & Theologies of the Trinity Classical, Contemporary & Global (Majority World)
- WEEK 2 – Evangelicalism – Evangelicos(as) – Bebbington's thesis & Faith, Reason, Tradition & Scripture

2023-2024

- WEEK 1 – Theologies of the Human (Anthropologies): Classical, Contemporary & Global (Majority World) & Theologies of Christ (Christologies): Classical, Contemporary & Global (Majority World)
- WEEK 2 – Theologies of Salvation (Soteriologies): Classical, Contemporary & Global (Majority World) & Theologies of Church (Ecclesiologies): Classical, Contemporary & Global (Majority World)

2024-2025

- WEEK 1 – Theologies of the Holy Spirit (Pneumatologies): Classical, Contemporary & Global (Majority World) & Holistic Mission Theologies

¹ The initial and primary readings of evangelical theology are derived from these key texts: Haykin, Michael A.G. and Kenneth J. Stewart eds. *The Emergence of Evangelicalism: Exploring Historical Continuities*. Nottingham: Apollos, 2008; Larsen, Timothy and Daniel J. Treier eds. *The Cambridge Companion to Evangelical Theology*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2007.

McDermott, Gerald R. ed. *The Oxford Handbook of Evangelical Theology*. Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2010.

²see Schön, Donald. *The Reflective Practitioner: How professionals think in action*. London: Temple Smith, 1983.

³ The (*DMin) Evangelical Theology Engaging the Pastoral, Doctrinal & Public Theologies of The Hispanic American Church* seeks to re-examine and re-evaluate the Bebbington's thesis on evangelical theology – the meanings and implications of 'evangelicalism' – in light of the realities and challenges of the Hispanic American Church. See Bebbington, D. W. *Evangelicalism in Modern Britain: A History from the 1730s to the 1980s*. London. Boston: Unwin Hyman, 1989.

- WEEK 2 – Theological Approaches to Contemporary Life & Faith and Discipleship in Public Life

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- Cohort:** A cohort of 14-20 people will be joined by leaders with extensive pastoral experience who are recognized as effective leader educators.
- Faculty:** Dr. David Escobar-Arcay (Week 1 faculty/mentor) & Dr. Alvin Padilla (faculty/mentor)
Additional guest instructors to be announced (not yet confirmed)
- Length:** The program will take a period of 3 years.
- Dates:** February 2023
February 2024
February 2025 (**Program Length, 3 years**)
- Place:** San Juan, Puerto Rico
- Format:** Three seminar/residency cycles in February studying with men and women located in the pastoral ministry gap, interested in increase their pastoral effectiveness. The program culminates in a thesis project in the area of interest of the student considering his ministry.
- Application:** Applications for this cohort will open in the Summer of 2022.
Admission requirements:
- Hold a M.Div. degree or its M.A. educational equivalent
 - A minimum of three years of ministerial experience.
 - Currently serving in a congregational context or community mission.
 - Commitment to biblical authority, historic Christian orthodoxy, and personal spiritual transformation.
- Enrollment:** \$ 5,400.00 USD per year (may change with scholarship)
- Information:** Visit: <https://www.westernsem.edu/academics/degrees/doctor-ministry-degree/>
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