

ADMISSION TO DOCTOR OF MINISTRY PROGRAM

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For admission to the Doctor of Ministry program, a student must possess a Master of Divinity degree or its formal academic equivalent from an accredited theological school, and at least three years of experience in the full-time practice of ministry following completion and reception of the M.Div. or its equivalent. The non-refundable application fee is \$75.

Applications to the Doctor of Ministry program are evaluated with a view to determining the applicant's academic preparation for advanced studies and potential for creativity and effectiveness in Christian ministry. Additional information on requirements for admission to the Doctor of Ministry program may be found in the program descriptions in this bulletin.

Requirements for Admission:

1. M.Div. degree or its equivalent from an accredited school, verified by submission of official transcripts.
2. Official academic transcripts for all other degrees and previous academic work.
3. Minimum cumulative grade point average of 3.25 (on a 4.00-scale).
4. At least three years of experience in the full-time practice of ministry following completion of the M.Div. degree or its equivalent.
5. TOEFL score of normally not less than 600 (computer-based 250 or internet-based 100) for applicants whose primary language is other than English and who have not received their education at an accredited English-speaking college or university.
6. Three letters of recommendation that assess and evaluate the applicant's previous performance in ministerial practice, academic work, interpersonal relationships, and personal maturity.
7. A personal statement, typed and double-spaced, which includes: A brief autobiography and theological self-reflection on call into ministry; Your theological understanding of your vocation; A tentative description of a DMin project; Indicate the way or ways in which this particular degree program will contribute to your effectiveness in ministry.
8. A research paper (that could be from a previous master's program) or a written reflection on an issue or question in ministry that engages and cites theological and other relevant scholarly sources (no sermons, please). The writing sample should be at least 3,000 words, not including footnotes and bibliography.
9. A non-refundable application fee of \$75, made payable to Brite Divinity School.
10. An interview with the D.Min. Director and/or a member of the faculty.

Completed applications should be submitted by February 1 for matriculation in May and May 1 for matriculation in October.