



**Practicum in Ministry**  
MIN454  
Southwestern College Professional Studies

**COURSE SYLLABUS**

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**I. Course Catalog Description**

The practicum involves real work experience in a ministry setting, bringing prior BACM studies to bear in an on-the-ground ministry context. The course includes both field supervisor-directed practicum work, as well as instructor-directed assignments.

**II. Required and Supplementary Instructional Materials**

All required and supplementary materials are located in the Bb course.

**III. Learning Outcomes**

Learning outcomes describe the knowledge, skills, values, and attitudes that learners gain as the result of a particular learning experience. Southwestern College Professional Studies has learning outcomes specific to each course and each [undergraduate](#) and [graduate](#) program of study, as well as [institution-wide outcomes](#) related to the mission and vision of the college. Outcomes can help learners and instructors focus on the big picture of the learning experience and can help inform potential employers about a graduate's knowledge and skills.

Upon successfully completing this course, the learner will be able to:

1. Observe the execution of various ministry activities by an experienced minister.
2. Apply educational experience to real ministry experiences under the supervision of an experienced minister and course instructor.
3. Synthesize theoretical knowledge with practical realities.
4. Draw upon previous course study in the program to appropriate that work for ministry experience.
5. Develop and articulate a personal sense of mission for ministry.

At the end of the course, learners may vary in their ability to achieve these outcomes. You are more likely to achieve these outcomes only if you attend class and/or online activities as required by the syllabus, complete the requirements for all assignments to the best of your ability, participate actively in class activities and group work as directed, and study diligently for exams.

**IV. Course Policies**

Students are expected to read and abide by the course policies located in the instructor-specific syllabus in the blackboard course.

**V. Course Requirements:**

<b>Requirements</b>	<b>Number of Assignments</b>	<b>Points Possible</b>	<b>Percent of Grade</b>
Discussion	6	300	30%
Experience Schedule	1	40	4%
Interview Reflections	4	100	10%
Shadow Experience Reflections	4	100	10%
Solo Experience Reflections	4	100	10%
Supervisor Evaluations	4	60	6%
Mission for Ministry Paper (Mastery Assignment)	1	300	30%
<b>Total Points</b>		<b>1000</b>	<b>100%</b>

VI. Course at a Glance:

Unit	Reading & Preparation Activities	Graded Work Due
1	Introduction Prompt Read five introductory documents Submit Contact Information Form to instructor and supervisor Submit the Supervisor Welcome Letter to the supervisor	1. Unit 1 Discussion 2. Unit 1 Experience Schedule
2	None	1. Unit 2 Discussion 2. Unit 2 Ministry in Public - Supervisor Evaluation 3. Unit 2 Ministry in Public - Interview Reflection 4. Unit 2 Ministry in Public - Shadow Experience Reflection 5. Unit 2 Ministry in Public - Solo Experience Reflection
3	None	1. Unit 3 Discussion 2. Unit 3 Ministry in Private - Supervisor Evaluation 3. Unit 3 Ministry in Private - Interview Reflection 4. Unit 3 Ministry in Private - Shadow Experience Reflection 5. Unit 3 Ministry in Private - Solo Experience Reflection
4	None	1. Unit 4 Discussion 2. Unit 4 Ministry Administration - Supervisor Evaluation 3. Unit 4 Ministry Administration - Interview Reflection 4. Unit 4 Ministry Administration - Shadow Experience Reflection 5. Unit 4 Ministry Administration - Solo Experience Reflection
5	None	1. Unit 5 Discussion 2. Unit 5 Ministry Networking - Supervisor Evaluation 3. Unit 5 Ministry Networking - Interview Reflection 4. Unit 5 Ministry Networking - Shadow Experience Reflection 5. Unit 5 Ministry Networking - Solo Experience Reflection
6	None	1. Unit 6 Discussion 2. Unit 6 Mission for Ministry Paper

VII. Other Policies and Requirements

Follow this link to the Southwestern College Professional Studies [Standard Syllabus](#) in Blackboard. You may be required to log in.