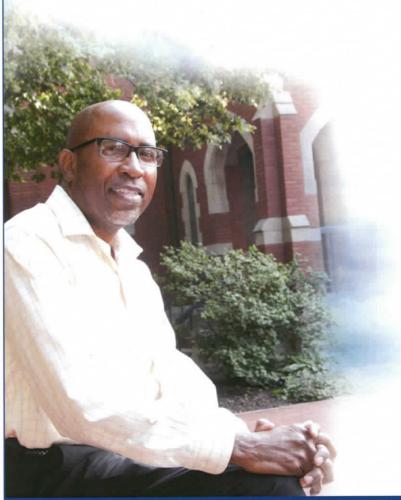


UNIVERSITY OF DUBUQUE SEMINARY

PREPARING FAITHFUL LEADERS

Christian Leadership Program

FOUNDATIONAL COURSES FOR LAITY



The Christian Leadership Program provides online foundational courses for laity to strengthen their faith and gifts. Commissioned ruling elders, lay pastors, Christian education leaders, Sunday School teachers, church officers and those seeking to deepen their understanding of the Christian faith will discover rich opportunities in this program.

Most courses are 12 weeks and are primarily taught by full-time seminary faculty. Students are encouraged to enroll in one or two classes at a time. Courses are offered online both in the fall and the spring. Summer courses are offered based upon demand and instructor availability. The goal of the program is to strengthen the church through quality theological education for laity.

Requirements

The work required in each course is approximately equivalent to a one credit college course.

Average course requirements include:

- 300-500 pages of reading.
- 7-10 pages of writing assignments.
- 3-4 hours of weekly preparation and participation.

Prerequisites

- Applicants must have a high school degree or GED.
- Completion of the introductory online learning certification course is required.



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The non-degree Christian
Leadership Program (CLP)
nurtures the gifts of laity to build
up the ministry of the local church.
Distance education combines
the flexibility of independent
learning with the community of
group learning. Time constraints,
scheduling difficulties and
geography are no longer barriers to
theological study.

Dubuque Seminary is the first Presbyterian seminary to offer distance learning programs, and has a strong track record of success. Since its inception in 2000, approximately 1,500 students from more than 130 Presbyteries across the nation have participated in this program. Many have taken these classes to become Commissioned Ruling Elders in the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A). All core courses are offered each semester, and advanced courses are offered periodically.

The online courses are offered in an asynchronous format meaning students can access their course at any time day or night. Instructors and students interact on discussion boards on the course website at times that work best for them, and each comment is arranged in chronological order.

Core Courses

- Intro to Old Testament
- Intro to New Testament
- Pastoral Care
- Presbyterian Polity
- Reformed Theology
- Intro to Preaching
- Foundations of Christian Education
- Reformed Worship and Sacraments

All classes are offered both fall and spring semesters. Check for dates at http://udtslearning.net/mod/page/view.php?id=15076.

Internet Skills

Prior to enrolling in the Christian Leadership Program, you should have basic Internet navigation skills. Students must have a working email account and be comfortable with their email program. Sending and receiving email, and opening and sending attachments are necessary for success as a CLP student. See UDTSLearning.net for technology requirements.

Projected Costs

Tuition: \$390 per class

Online learning certification: \$75

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