

PRTH 70503: SUPERVISED MINISTRY I

Prospectus

3 semester hours

Monday, 4:15-6:00 p.m. or

Tuesday, 5:00-6:45 p.m. or

Friday, 12:45-2:30 p.m.

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Prerequisites: The student shall have completed 21 semester hours and have the instructor's permission.

Description of Content:

Experiences of ministerial practice in Field Education settings are presented by students to their Theological Reflection Group for analysis and evaluation, utilizing and integrating the various theological disciplines; assigned reading and a critical response papers.

Texts:

Farley, Edward, *Practicing Gospel: Unconventional Thoughts on the Church and Its Ministry* (Westminster John Knox Press, 2003, ISBN 0-664-22498-9).

Peterson, Eugene H., *Working the Angles: The Shape of Pastoral Ministry* (Wm. B. Eerdmans Publishing, 1987, ISBN 0802802656).

Taylor, Barbara Brown, *Leaving Church* (HarperSanFrancisco, ISBN 10 – 006872632).

Grading Procedures:

A composite grade will be determined from these basic resources: (1) Learning Covenant and Statement of Theology of Ministry, (2) Supervisor and Lay Training Committee, (3) self-evaluation, (4) performance of ministry in the setting, (5) Theological Reflection Group Leader, (6) critical response essays for readings, (7) mid-term and final evaluations, and (8) other assignments as the Director deems necessary.

PRTH 70503 is a Pass/No Credit course held in tandem with PRTH 70603: Supervised Ministry II. Both semesters must be passed successfully to receive credit for having completed the Supervised Year. Failure in either semester requires the Supervised Year to be retaken, in sequence, Fall and Spring semesters.