

IN127E MA Colloquium

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Required, for MA students, open elective for other students. One credit, Asynchronous online only.
Credit/No Credit only

DESCRIPTION:

This course will foster professional collegiality among the MA students, discuss their ministry context or desired ministry context, look at a variety of ministries, and begin to work towards the capstone research project.

OBJECTIVES:

This course has several important learning objectives. After you complete the course, students should be able to:

1. To articulate both a Lutheran understanding of vocation and call, and an understanding of vocation for their own leadership in the church and/or society.
2. To explore and respond with professional collegiality to their classmates in course discussions about vocation, discernment, and possible ministries and ministry contexts.
3. To identify and describe one or more possible capstone research projects in light of their own vocational journey.

SEMINARY OUTCOMES:

Readings, on-line discussions, and other assignments are intended to address and support the following seminary program outcomes:

- Leads with confidence and fosters team building, collegiality, and mutual edification.
- Practices curiosity as a learner and encourages lifelong learning in others

PROCEDURE:

The course will meet asynchronously on Castle Commons, in weekly learning modules.

EVALUATION:

Evaluation will be based on full, active participation through VoiceThread discussions engaging assigned readings and other materials, and a final paper.

REQUIRED TEXTBOOKS:

- Palmer, Parker J. *Let Your Life Speak: Listening for the Voice of Vocation*. San Francisco: Jossey-Bass, 2000.
- Miller-McLemore, Bonnie J. *Follow Your Bliss and Other Lies About Calling*. New York: Oxford University Press, 2024.