The Doctor of Ministry degree (D.Min.) in Global Church-Based Theological Education (GCBTE) is granted for demonstration of competencies associated with being a minister of the gospel (pastor, church planter, missionary) and other ministry leaders who are situated to have significant influence in formal or informal church networks.

The general objectives of all Antioch School programs are:

- Comprehensive development in character, skills, and knowledge for effective ministry.
- Life development and lifelong learning orientation.
- Recognition of and participation in the centrality of the local church in the plan of God.
- Ability to master biblical content, benefit from significant contributions of scholars, and build strategic models of ministry accordingly.

The general objective of Ministry degrees is to help train those who desire to be part of a leadership and ministry team that is one-minded in ministry vision and philosophy. Out of this team would come those who commit themselves long term to local church leadership or those who desire to train to be part of a missionary team involved in planting or establishing churches in other areas.

Specific program objectives of the D.Min. GCBTE include:

- Identify and address paradigm-level issues in theological education, doing theology, hermeneutics, missions, and Christian education.
- Build biblical philosophy in each of these areas.
- Construct and evaluate strategic models and tools that integrate biblical philosophy with contemporary ministry situations.

The following is a list of competencies to be demonstrated in order to earn the degree:

1. **Life and Ministry Development**

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   **SIMA® Motivated Abilities Pattern (MAP) and 10 Step Program** demonstrate your ability to use insights from the MAP about how you are “hard-wired” to understand yourself and develop for life and ministry.

   - **MAP700** SIMA MAP First Response 1
   - **MAP800** SIMA MAP Second Response 1

   **Life®** processes demonstrate your ability to plan according to your unique purpose, story, abilities, roles and responsibilities, resources, disciplines and determinations, and lifelong wisdom.

   - **LN700** Life® Initial Plan 1
   - **LN800** Life® First Revision 1
Personal Development Assessments demonstrate that you are receiving benefit of in-service mentoring by those whom God has put into your life with a primary responsibility for your development. Each is to be used as a point of reference by a mentor at least quarterly while in the program.

PDA700-1,2,3,4
Life and Ministry Assessment
Becoming Established Assessment
Giftedness Self-Assessment
Ministry Team Profile
Current Ministry Assessment

PDA800-1,2,3,4
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2. Core Training Modules (Paradigm Transformation Projects)

PTP701 The Church as Theological Education

3.1.1. Developed an understanding of a whole new paradigm of theological education based on the way of Christ and His Apostles.
3.1.2. Developed an understanding of new trends in theological education against the backdrop of the history of theological education down through the centuries.
3.1.3. Began constructing a new church-based, resource center model of theological education, consistent with the technological era of the 21st century.

PTP702 The Church Doing Theology in Culture

3.2.1. Developed an historical understanding of theological encyclopedia through the centuries—how training was organized and categorized.
3.2.2. Developed an understanding of theology as habitus—the orientation of the soul for acquiring wisdom rather than merely the mastery of academic disciplines.
3.2.3. Developed an understanding of the importance of doing theology in community rather than as an individual professional.
3.2.4. Began constructing a model for doing theology in culture, beginning with the first principles of the faith, and redesigning curriculum around a biblical theology/theology in culture approach, rather than the 4-fold Western pattern developed during the Enlightenment.

PTP803 The Church as Missions

3.3.1. Developed an understanding of the contrast between the Western missionary enterprise and the mission methods of the Early Church.
3.3.2. Surveyed the shift of global expansion of the gospel to the Southern Hemisphere, explored the need to revisit Acts and the Antioch tradition of the first three centuries of the Early Church and the need to build fresh the entire missionary enterprise.
3.3.3. Grappled with radically new missionary methods consistent with the Early Church and yet appropriate to the complex world of globalization and its implications.

3.3.4. Laid out a strategy for establishing everyone in a local church in both the gospel (kerygma) and the essential teaching of Christ and His Apostles (the didache), as well as understood how the curriculum grows out of the didache.

PTP804  The Church as a Hermeneutical Community  

3.4.1. Developed a basic understanding of radical shifts from a hermeneutic based on an individualistic, almost topic-like inductive method of interpreting to one based on the author’s intent as expressed in the text, respecting literary design.

3.4.2. Learned how to develop hermeneutical judgment in both individual Christians and in the community of faith collectively.

PTP805  The Church as Christian Education  

3.5.1. Explored the fragmentation of Christian education in both adult education and Christian education in our churches and Christian schools.

3.5.2. Developed an understanding of the importance of intentional ordered learning for all believers.

3.5.3. Explored the Jewish wisdom-based system of cradle-to-grave, integrated education based on a biblical worldview, with carefully designed progress markers such as the bar-mitzvah.

3.5.4. Began working with a model for a cradle-to-grave, integrated educational program for a local church.

3. Doctoral Major Project  

The project is the culminating product of the program. It makes a substantive contribution to the progress of church-based theological education. It could take the form of a dissertation (literature review and original research), a book, a Leadership Series-type course (suited to a particular ministry situation or issue), or other publishable ministry tool (video/DVD seminar, workshop, assessment tool, etc.).

DPR901  Doctoral Major Project Proposal  
Develop an approval proposal for making a major contribution to church-based theological education.

DPR902  Doctoral Major Project Rough Draft  
Develop a rough draft of a major contribution to church-based theological education.

DPR903  Doctoral Major Project Final Draft and Defense  
Produce a final draft of a major contribution to church-based theological education. Pass a formal defense before peers and a doctoral project committee.
4. **Ministry Practicum (Learning by Doing)**

**MP701-4 Ministry Practicum**
Contracted learning through ministry experience, including written description of preliminary plan and learning goals, report of actual experience, and evaluation and reflection of learning accomplished. (Credit is granted at a rate of 1 semester hour of credit for each 45 hours of approved ministry practicum.)

5. **Teaching Practicum (Learning by Teaching)**

Contracted learning through teaching experience, including written description of preliminary plan and learning goals, report of actual experience, and evaluation and reflection of learning accomplished. Students should receive evaluation in the following manner:

- A ministry leader should evaluate the student’s teaching to identify strengths and weaknesses related to the course content (not necessarily the student’s teaching skills);
- Participants should evaluate what they thought was accomplished in terms of their own learning, as well as what would have been helpful in better accomplishing the course goals because this may be a key indicator of areas that the student doing the teaching may still need to develop.
- Students should evaluate themselves in terms of what they accomplished related to the course content, including what they identified as areas that may still need further development.

- **TP701,2,3** The First Principles Series I, II, III 3
- **TP700** Acts 3
- **TP710** Pauline Epistles 3
- **TP720** Essentials of sound Doctrine 3
- **TP730** Leaders 3
- **TP840** Preaching and Teaching 3
- **TP850** Shepherding, Counseling, and the Early Church 3
- **TP860** Interpreting the Word I 3
- **TP870** Interpreting the Word II 3
  - (or **TP800** Toward a Theology in Culture)
- **TP880** Habits of the Heart 3
- **TP890** Covenants, Unity of Scripture and Biblical Worldview 3

**Total Credits** 60