Syllabus
MAS 630 Trends in Ministry

Course Overview

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Course Description
The forms of ministry evolve and change over time, so an awareness of current trends facilitates effective creative expression in ministerial vocation. Students will study key current trends in ministry including traditional and alternative forms of ministry; alternative services and community structures; creative arts in ministry; spiritual social action and delivery mechanisms. Students will explore how to develop new programs and work with existing Unity initiatives such as "Earth Care" and "Fresh Expressions."

Course Learning Objectives
Upon completion of this course, learners will:
• Evaluate and articulate their understanding of the broader worldview context from which Unity emerged as a foundation for understanding Unity’s role in today’s world.
• Compare and contrast Unity spiritual principles with their understanding of an evolutionary view and role for Unity in today’s world.
• Identify whether there are specific social issues about which they are impassioned and formulate strategies to integrate this passion into their ministry.
• Investigate the application of Unity teachings to various contemporary issues and explore the impact this can have on our world.
**Required Text/Readings**
- Websites, articles, videos and downloads provided throughout the course.

**Recommended Text/Readings**

**Live Collaborate Class Sessions**

*Tuesdays, 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm ~ All times Central Time (CT) Zone*

**April 2021**
1. April 6, 2021
2. April 13, 2021
3. April 20, 2021
4. April 27, 2021

**May 2021**
5. May 4, 2021
6. May 11, 2021
7. May 18, 2021
8. May 25, 2021

**June 2021**
9. June 1, 2021