

Course Requirements:

1. Attendance and participation in *all* sessions.
2. A 30 minute interview about call and vocation with Dean Deb Auger and Dr. Tim Johnson. These will be scheduled in the fall semester and must be completed before **November 1, 2015**. Questions for reflection in preparation for the interview will be provided before the class begins. Once this interview is successfully completed your name will be brought to faculty for a vote of affirmation to enter the Call to Ministry process. Contact Guylla Brown to schedule the interview.
3. A completed Covconnect profile **by November 15, 2014**
4. A 500 word reflection on the required text (Palmer) **Due Dec. 1, 2015**

Course Schedule:

Thursday October 15, 2015

Location: Nyvall Hall N-20

Time: 6pm-9pm

- 6:00: Welcome and Introduction to class
- 6:15-7:45 The Role of The Dept. of Ordered Ministry: Office personnel: *Polity and Privilege*
- 8-9: Search Committees and other thoughts-Tim Johnson

Friday October 16, 2015

Location: 8303 Higgins Rd.

Time 9am-7pm

- 9:00-noon: Organizing and resourcing for Mission
Spotlight on ECC ministries
- Noon: Lunch with ECC leaders
- 1-4 Clergy Finance and taxes
(travel back to NPTS)
- 5-7 Dinner and processing; Interviewing with Superintendents and ECC leaders (Nyvall)

Saturday October 17, 2015

Location: Nyvall Hall N-20

Time 9am-4pm

- 9-10 Exploring Vocational identity
- 10-noon CovConnect profile details and development: location, tbd
- Noon-1 Lunch (provided): the View from the Superintendent
- 1:30-4 Preparing to Interview and Candidate with churches: Narratives, questions, and skill development

Assignments

1. A completed CovConnect Minister's Profile. Once you register for FLDC 7319, you will be given instructions on how to obtain a password for CovConnect. By the first class meeting on **Oct. 15** you will be expected to have completed all of the personal information and be well acquainted with the rest of the profile and begin the writing of each section. You may bring your questions to the session for this workshop-styled session. Your initial profile must be submitted to Dean Auger by **Nov. 1, 2015**. Your profile must be completed and approved by **Nov.15, 2015**.
2. You must come to class having read *Let Your Life Speak* by Parker Palmer. We will discuss the cogent points. Your reflection on the text is due to dauger@northpark.edu by **Dec.1, 2015**.

Important Dates 2015-16 Summary

October 1	Complete background check with ECC and get password for Covconnect profile
October 1-30	Schedule and complete interview with Debra Auger and Timothy Johnson contact Guylla to schedule the interview, gbrown@northpark.edu
October 15	Profile set up, biographical information entered, and questions started
October 15-17	Class sessions

November 1	Profile draft due to Dean Auger/ Sign up for interview times with Guylla Brown
November 15	Completed and approved profile to Dean Auger
November 20	Contact Guylla Brown if you have schedule conflicts in January for priority scheduling.

December 1	Reflection paper on <i>Let Your Life Speak</i> due to dauger@northpark.edu

January 10	Evening with Superintendents and ECC administrators
January 11-13	Interviews with Superintendents and ECC administrators
January 25-29	Midwinter Conference, Chicago

February 19	Retreat at Divine Word, spouses welcome