

D.Min. Practical Research Project Timelines

D.Min. in Contemplative Practice, Spiritual Renewal, and Strategic Leadership

The schedule below will allow you to complete your D.Min. program in 28 months, the minimum amount of time possible. Deadlines are firm, and all documents must be submitted using the forms, on the Registrar page of the CST website. **Your Faculty Project Advisor must approve your proposal and all project drafts.** Continuing dialog with your academic advisor and your faculty project advisor throughout the program is essential. If you extend your time to completion, you must register for Continuous Registration each semester you are not taking classes.

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 Faculty Project Advisor: Assigned at your first research intensive, based on project interests,

D.Min. 28-month Completion Schedule and Deadlines

Term	Course	Key Project Due Dates	DMin Project Notes
Spring 1	Core Course #1 DMin Research Intensive	End of First Intensive: Faculty Project Advisor Assigned End of First Semester: Project Topic Determined	- The DMin Intensive generally meets on campus for a full week each January and is required for all DMin students.
Summer	Elective #1	To complete in 28 months, students will need to take an elective during one of the summer terms, or take two courses during one of the fall or spring terms.	
Fall 1	Elective #2 TDP4060-1		- Complete the first DMin project proposal (by January 2)
Spring 2	Core Course #2 DMin Research Intensive TDP4060-2	January 2: Proposal Draft Due to Faculty Project Advisor March 1: Final Proposal Due April 1: IRB Protocol Due to Institutional Review Board	- Present proposal at DMin Research Intensive - Secure IRB approval - Finalize DMin project proposal with edits from faculty project advisor and initial bibliography (in Chicago style)
Fall 2	Elective #3 TDP4060-3	December 1: First Draft of Project Due	- Complete first draft of DMin project is due at the end of the second fall term (by Dec 1)
Spring 3	Core Course #3 DMin Research Intensive TDP4060-4	February 15: Second Draft of Project Due April 1: Final Project Due	Final project draft must be approved by the thesis secretary before April 1

Additional Notes:

Students may avoid taking an elective and TDP4060 at the same time by taking elective courses during the summer term. However, summer term registration is not required.