The essay is to be written in accordance with *A Manual for Writers of Term Papers, Theses, and Dissertations*, 8th ed., by Kate Turabian (Chicago: University of Chicago Press, 2013).

**Conditional Admission**

An applicant may be admitted on a conditional basis for the first year of study in the doctoral program at the discretion of the Doctor of Ministry Committee. The dean of the DMin program will notify the applicant of the reasons for any conditional status, specify any requirements that must be fulfilled, and state any limitations to be imposed upon the projected seminar load. Students admitted conditionally are evaluated at the conclusion of the first year of study, and the Doctor of Ministry Committee governs the student's continuance in the program. Exceptions to the published admission requirements for the doctor of ministry program must be approved by the faculty.

**Time Limit for Approved Applicants**

Applicants for the doctor of ministry program who do not enroll in a seminar within one year from the date of approval must submit a new application to the program.

**Completion Requirements for the Doctor of Ministry Program**

**Completion Time and Continuous Enrollment**

The degree requires thirty-two semester hours of doctoral-level work above the master of divinity or its equivalent. The student must complete a two hour Graduate Research & Writing seminar, 6 four-semester hour seminars, plus the major project (six-semester hours of credit). The program is designed to be completed in three years with a five year maximum. Continuous enrollment is required.

Student will take three seminars (twelve-semester hours) during a twelve month period. A load of twelve semester hours per year is considered full-time status for loan verification or for Department of Veterans Affairs purposes.

**Doctor of Ministry Courses**

Each seminar in the doctor of ministry program has the following three components:

1. **Preseminar reading of a minimum of** two thousand pages from a seminar bibliography provided to the student at the time of preregistration;
2. A one-week intensive seminar; and
3. A postsession project which applies the theory of the reading and seminar sessions in the student's ministry setting.

**The Major Project**

In addition to the completion of 24 semester hours of seminar work, students must complete a major project. The major project is a supervised ministry project, which