

Brethren Academy for Ministerial Leadership proudly offers:
Interim/Transitional Ministry: More than Mere Maintenance

SEPTEMBER 25 – NOVEMBER 19, 2019

8-WEEK ONLINE COURSE

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Course Description and Objectives



This course is a practical exploration of the gifts and challenges specific to Interim/Transitional Ministry. We will explore the necessary tasks for successful interim/transitional ministry and the personality characteristics most helpful to develop for the practice of this specialized area of congregational leadership. We will examine the unique calling of persons to walk with congregations in both short term and long term intentional ministry situations.

Goals: Upon completion of this course, students will be able to:

- Identify the five (5) tasks of interim ministry.
- Describe three (3) unique dimensions of transitional ministry as compared with "settled" congregational ministry.
- Name three (3) personality characteristics that can affect the performance of interim ministry.
- Articulate a personal theology of transitional ministry.

This course is available to:

- TRIM/EFSM students- fulfills one MS unit and BTS experience
- Those seeking Continuing Education Units (2.0 CEU)
- Anyone seeking personal and spiritual enrichment

Essentially, this course is open to ALL!

Course fee \$295.00

Registration deadline:

August 21, 2019

Instructor: Tara Hornbacker

Tara Hornbacker is Professor Emerita of Ministry Formation, Missional Leadership and Evangelism at Bethany Theological Seminary in Richmond, IN. She is an ordained minister in the Church of the Brethren and has taught at the Bethany Theological Seminary since 1998. She began ministry as the Interim Pastor with the Garrett Presbyterian Church. She is currently serving as the Interim Senior Pastor at New Carlisle Church of the Brethren in New Carlisle, Ohio.

Tara is a coordinator for the Association for the Arts in the Church of the Brethren. She holds a MDiv from Earlham School of Religion and a DMin from Fuller Theological Seminary, Pasadena, CA. Tara is a popular inspirational speaker, humorist, ministry consultant, and retreat leader.

Tara and her husband, Tim live near New Paris, OH. They are parents of two adult children, Trent (Julie) Hornbacker and Tasha (Doug) Veal.

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Course Withdrawal Refund Policy

100% of course fee prior to registration deadline
50% from the registration deadline to the first day of class

No refunds will be given once the class has begun
Exceptions require the approval of the Director of the Brethren Academy

To earn CEU credit

Participant will
- Meet the attendance requirement
- Complete the assigned reading
- Engage in the course through participation

A CE or PE student is not required to complete any assigned papers or exams.

Required Texts

Bendroth, Norman B. (ed). *Transitional Ministry Today: Successful Strategies for Churches and Pastors*. Rowman & Littlefield Publishers (December 5, 2014). 238 pages. ISBN-10: 156699750X, ISBN-13: 978-1566997508

Childs and Kron. *In the Interim*. Skinner House Books; Second edition (March 31, 2017). 352 pages. ISBN-10: 1558967931, ISBN-13: 978-1558967939

Nicholson, Roger. *Temporary Shepherds: A Congregational Handbook for Interim Ministry*. The Alban Institute (September 1, 1998). 205 pages. ISBN-10: 1566992087, ISBN-13: 978-1566992084

Smith, Molly Dale (ed). *Transitional Ministry: A Time of Opportunity*. Church Publishing Inc. (June 1, 2009). 194 pages. ISBN-10: 0898696224, ISBN-13: 978-0898696226

Reading Assignments to come later.

Expectations

Online learning requires students to be disciplined in their time management. Students are expected to spend 10 hours per week in course-related work

For online learning, students will need basic computer skills and access to the internet. If your computer is four years old or less, you should have the capabilities for this class. These capabilities include:

- Modem: Minimum 56 kbps speed is slow but adequate. A speed of 100 kbps (300 recommended) is needed for podcasts and 300 kbps (500 recommended) for videos
- An email account
- An up-to-date web browser; such as Firefox, Internet Explorer or Google Chrome

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[Register online](#) or fill out following information and return, along with payment to:
Brethren Academy * 615 National Road West * Richmond, IN * 47374

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Address: _____

Best contact phone: _____

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I will be taking this course for: ___ TRIM credit ___ EFSM credit ___ CEUs (2) ___ Personal Enrichment
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