CPL Credit for Assemblies of God or Foursquare Ministerial Credentials and District Schools of Ministry

Policy: To award students an established number of credits and specified courses equivalent to specific levels of credentialing with the Assemblies of God or Foursquare denominations. In addition, this document recognizes students who have completed training at an Assemblies of God District School of Ministry.

Background: Many ministers within the Assemblies of God or Foursquare denominations have pursued non-traditional forms of education that prepare them to receive ministerial credentials. We believe it is beneficial to recognize this learning based on the awarding of the ministerial credential.

The policy below defines the following academic credit based on the conferment of the corresponding ministerial credential by the General Council of the Assemblies of God or the Foursquare denomination:

Course of Study and Level of Credential	NU Equivalent Courses*
Certified (6 credits)	BIBL 1203 New Testament History and Literature
	CMIN 4963 Ministry Internship
Licensed (6 credits)	BIBL 1103 Old Testament History and Literature
	CMIN 2003 The Church in Ministry
Ordained (6 credits)	CMIN 2043 Ministry Operations
	BIBL Elective

^{*} If a listed course is already satisfied, an equivalent credit of CMIN 1123 Spiritual Formation or CMIN 2013 Spiritual Leadership is awarded.

Students who have graduated from an Assemblies of God District School of Ministry will receive a total of 30 elective credits or a combination of elective and specified credits from the table above if they have received ministerial credentials.

Requirements for Receiving Academic Credit:

- Credit can only be granted upon the approved application of the student to Northwest University and documentation of the credential level that the student has been granted and/or graduation from DSOM.
- 2. The granting of credit through this means will be managed through the College of Adult and Professional Studies.
- 3. Students taking advantage of this credit will be permitted to petition for additional academic credit through the established Portfolio development process at NU. However, students must demonstrate separate learning through the Portfolio process. In addition, students can be awarded no more than 30 total credits through prior learning awards.
- 4. Students taking advantage of Certified Prior Learning will be governed by all policies pertaining to the transfer of credit as outlined in the University's academic catalog.