



SVOTS Doctor of Ministry Application Preliminary Project Proposal

Please read the [SVS DMin Project Guidelines](#), and prepare a preliminary proposal for your DMin project using the following template. Keep in mind that the DMin project focuses on the applied practice of ministry.

To help you in this process, it is strongly recommended that you read chapters 1-2 of [A Manual for Writers of Research Papers, Theses, and Dissertations, Ninth Edition: Chicago Style for Students and Researchers](#), by Kate Turabian.

Format for and components of the proposal:

1. Title
2. Problem
 - a. Problem Statement (See Turabian 1.2)
 - i. **Topic** I am working on...
 - ii. **Question**...because I want to find out...
 - iii. **Significance**...so that I can
 - b. Setting/ministry context
 - c. Personal relevance (why this topic matters to you)
3. Research Elements
 - a. Intended purpose, outcomes
 - b. Theological rationale
 - c. Sub-questions necessary to address the problem
4. Annotated Bibliography (10-20 sources)