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After attending a Christian university, Pastor Dan Palmer realized he learned a lot but had not become very much. In 2003, he and his father, Pastor Paul founded the Atlanta Dream Center/School giving students a hybrid learning experience that takes advantage of the classroom setting paired with practical application opportunities to master what they learn in their field of emphasis. Four mornings a week, students participate in two classroom experiences designed to focus on theology and leadership. Then in the afternoon/evenings they get to choose one of three major fields of study: Performing Arts, Church Ministry/Community Development, or Corporate Leadership. This experience produces great leaders hungry to be launched within their field of choice

The School currently has 80+ full-time students enrolled from across the U.S. and the world to whom we provide room and board. The administrators, staff, and faculty are committed to developing each student by providing a great education, hands-on training, and daily ministry opportunities. Arts students train weekly enhancing their craft in performance, music, dance, recording, production, rap, and other performing arts specialties. Church Ministry/Community Development students combine theology and activation through community engagement. Students are challenged to become amazing leaders focused on changing individuals, impacting their communities. The school produces community life events aimed at complete community engagement as well as church events that are open to the public. Community life events can include arts shows, children's events, block parties/festivities, and Christmas Toy Giveaways that impact upwards of 3,000 children in one day.

The School currently has partnerships with Ecclesia College for theological course degree options and Visible College for the Fine Arts Certification program and degree options. Students are able to become ordained and licensed ministers through the Assemblies of God and Kingdom Catalyst partnerships. Students have the option to receive one or more of a choice of a completion certificate, college degree, and/or arts certificate. Each year is divided into five sessions that are seven weeks long, and each student must complete five sessions per year to move to the next level of the education experience. One session of the five must be either: a missions practicum of foreign study abroad (with a choice of two national or four international locations), local community engagement, or corporate mission opportunities. The School's long-term goal is to continue to grow and solidify its status as a productive Christian school, promoting and leading in leadership and the arts while teaching Biblical concepts

Student engagement in the metro-Atlanta and surrounding communities occurs through partnership with Atlanta Dream Center (ADC), also founded by Pastors Paul and Dan Palmer, whose mission is to reach, rescue, and restore men, women, and children for the glory of God. The primary demographics are at-risk youth, addicted and homeless individuals, and victims of commercial sexual exploitation. Atlanta Dream Center does not offer on-site housing or shelter to clients. Rather, ADC goes out into communities and serves people where they are at. For those seeking additional help, ADC serves clients to network and connect them to programs and resources.

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Our mission is to reach, rescue and restore men, women and children, so that the glory of God may be known.

Our purpose is to heal the brokenhearted, minister to the poor, and set the captives free. Isaiah 61:1-3