

Master of Arts in Project Management - Minor in Christian Leadership and Management

HBI University

Course Duration: 2 years

Credit Hours: 69 (including 15 credit hours for minor)



Program Description

The Master of Arts in Project Management at HBI University is designed to equip students with strategic leadership, project planning, and organizational management skills necessary for effective project execution. This program prepares students for high-level managerial roles in corporations, nonprofits, and faith-based organizations, integrating project risk management, team leadership, and stakeholder engagement strategies.

The Minor in Christian Leadership and Management offers a specialized approach to leadership in church ministries, faith-based institutions, and nonprofit management. Students will explore Christian ethics, leadership development, and organizational management from a biblical perspective, preparing them to lead with spiritual integrity and strategic effectiveness.

This 69-credit hour program includes 30 credit hours of foundational management courses, 24 credit hours of core project management courses, 15 credit hours in Christian Leadership and Management, elective coursework, a supervised practicum, and a research-based master's thesis.

Admissions Requirements

- Bachelor's degree in music, choral conducting, or a related field
- Minimum GPA of 3.0
- Audition and portfolio submission (video conducting samples required)
- Two letters of recommendation from music faculty or professional conductors
- Statement of purpose outlining career goals in conducting and choral ministry
- Interview with faculty committee

Practicum Requirement

Students must complete a 300-hour supervised practicum in corporate project leadership, nonprofit administration, or faith-based project management. Practicum placements include ministry organizations, humanitarian initiatives, and business project teams.

Master's Thesis

Students are required to complete a research-based master's thesis exploring Christian leadership strategies, faith-based project execution, or nonprofit leadership ethics. The thesis should include an applied research component with real-world case studies or strategic project development models.

Program Outcomes

Graduates of this program will be able to:

- Demonstrate advanced project management and execution techniques.
- Apply Christian leadership principles in business and nonprofit settings.
- Utilize financial, risk, and stakeholder management skills effectively.
- Integrate ethical and faith-based considerations into decision-making.
- Lead mission-driven projects in corporate, nonprofit, and faith-based organizations.

Career Outcomes & Potential Salary

- Project Manager (Corporate, Nonprofit, or Ministry) – \$75,000 - \$135,000
- Faith-Based Operations Director – \$60,000 - \$120,000
- Christian Leadership Consultant – \$65,000 - \$125,000
- Nonprofit Executive Director – \$70,000 - \$140,000
- Strategic Development Manager for Ministries – \$60,000 - \$115,000

Advocacy and Professional Development

Students are encouraged to join professional leadership organizations such as:

- Project Management Institute (PMI)
- Christian Leadership Alliance
- Nonprofit Leadership Institute
- Association for Christian Business Leaders

Participation in Christian leadership conferences, project management certification programs, and ministry leadership workshops is highly recommended.

Course Breakdown (Total: 69 Credit Hours)

A. Foundational Courses (30 Credit Hours)

Course Code	Course Name	Credit Hours
MGT-621	Principles of Project Management	3
MGT-622	Leadership & Organizational Development	3

MGT-623	Strategic Planning & Business Growth	3
MGT-624	Financial Management for Leaders	3
MGT-625	Ethics & Decision Making in Management	3
MGT-626	Operations & Process Improvement	3
MGT-627	Data Analytics for Business & Leadership	3
MGT-628	Conflict Resolution & Crisis Leadership	3
MGT-629	Stakeholder & Change Management	3
MGT-630	Research Methods in Leadership & Project Management	3

B. Core Project Management Courses (24 Credit Hours)

Course Code	Course Name	Credit Hours
PMGT-711	Agile & Lean Project Management	3
PMGT-712	Risk Management & Contingency Planning	3
PMGT-713	Financial Analysis for Projects	3
PMGT-714	Innovation & Technology in Project Management	3
PMGT-715	Organizational Behavior & Team Leadership	3
PMGT-716	Contracts, Procurement & Vendor Management	3
PMGT-717	Performance Metrics & Project Evaluation	3
PMGT-718	Supervised Project Management Practicum	3

C. Christian Leadership and Management Minor (15 Credit Hours)

Course Code	Course Name	Credit Hours
CLM-901	Biblical Foundations of Leadership	3
CLM-902	Organizational Management in Christian Institutions	3
CLM-903	Financial Stewardship & Budgeting for Ministries	3
CLM-904	Church Growth & Leadership Strategies	3

CLM-905	Ethics & Decision-Making in Christian Leadership	3
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D. Electives (9 Credit Hours)

Course Code	Course Name	Credit Hours
ELEC-871	Social Entrepreneurship & Faith-Based Business Models	3
ELEC-872	Leadership in Missions & Global Outreach	3
ELEC-873	Digital Transformation in Christian Organizations	3