

Doctor of Addiction Counseling, Minor in Faith-Based Recovery Services

HBI University

Course Duration: 3 Years

Total Credit Hours: 105

Program Description

The Doctor of Addiction Counseling with a Minor in Faith-Based Recovery Services is a terminal program focused on developing advanced expertise, ethical leadership, and field-specific innovation. Students are immersed in an interdisciplinary curriculum tailored for high-impact work in their specialization.

The program blends scholarly research, practical application, and critical analysis. Students will navigate complex policy, organizational dynamics, or technological change as it relates to their field. The Minor in Faith-Based Recovery Services enriches students with a faith-based foundation to promote responsible leadership and social engagement.

Graduates will be equipped to make contributions as educators, advisors, innovators, and advocates within their domains, advancing both institutional goals and societal well-being.

Admissions Requirements

- Master's degree in Biblical Studies, Theology, Divinity, or related field
- GPA of 3.5 or higher in graduate-level coursework
- Minimum of 3 years of ministry or teaching experience
- Statement of Purpose (1,000–1,500 words)
- Three letters of recommendation (academic, pastoral, professional)
- Curriculum Vitae or résumé
- Interview with doctoral program director

Foundational Courses (30 Credit Hours)

Course Code	Course Name	Credit Hours
FND 800	Global Issues in Counseling	3
FND 801	Innovation and Technology in Counseling	3
FND 802	Cultural Competency in Counseling	3
FND 803	Leadership in Counseling	3
FND 804	Community Engagement in Counseling	3
FND 805	Capstone Project in Counseling	3

FND 806	Quantitative Analysis for Counseling	3
FND 807	Advanced Theories in Counseling	3
FND 808	Ethical Frameworks in Counseling	3
FND 809	Policy and Practice in Counseling	3

Core Courses (24 Credit Hours)

Course Code	Course Name	Credit Hours
COR 800	Community Engagement in Counseling	3
COR 801	Policy and Practice in Counseling	3
COR 802	Capstone Project in Counseling	3
COR 803	Leadership in Counseling	3
COR 804	Global Issues in Counseling	3
COR 805	Innovation and Technology in Counseling	3
COR 806	Cultural Competency in Counseling	3
COR 807	Advanced Theories in Counseling	3

Minor Courses (15 Credit Hours)

Course Code	Course Name	Credit Hours
MIN 800	Innovation and Technology in Minor in Faith-Based Recovery Services	3
MIN 801	Policy and Practice in Minor in Faith-Based Recovery Services	3
MIN 802	Leadership in Minor in Faith-Based Recovery Services	3
MIN 803	Advanced Theories in Minor in Faith-Based Recovery Services	3
MIN 804	Ethical Frameworks in Minor in Faith-Based Recovery Services	3

Additional Elective Courses (Not Included in Total Credits)

Course Code	Course Name	Credit Hours
ELE 800	Advanced Theories in Counseling	3

ELE 801	Ethical Frameworks in Counseling	3
ELE 802	Policy and Practice in Counseling	3
ELE 803	Global Issues in Counseling	3
ELE 804	Innovation and Technology in Counseling	3

Practicum Experience

Students in the Doctor of Addiction Counseling program will complete a supervised practicum aligned with their area of study. Each practicum reinforces leadership, community engagement, or systems-based thinking.

Practicum Requirements:

- 600 hours of supervised field work
- A comprehensive practicum report or portfolio
- A reflective analysis connecting theory to practice
- Final presentation to faculty and peers

Doctoral Dissertation Requirements

The doctoral dissertation for the Doctor of Addiction Counseling involves an original, field-specific research project contributing to theory or practice. The dissertation must demonstrate rigorous inquiry and offer actionable or theoretical value in alignment with the Minor in Faith-Based Recovery Services.

Requirements:

- Research proposal approved by faculty committee
- Literature review with annotated sources
- Methodology and data collection
- 100+ page manuscript with implications for the discipline
- Oral defense presentation

Program Outcomes

- Lead initiatives in doctor of addiction counseling settings
- Apply faith-based ethical frameworks to leadership and decision-making
- Conduct advanced research and evaluation
- Influence policy, education, or ministry based on evidence
- Mentor others in both academic and practical environments

Career Outcomes and Potential Pay Scale

Career Path	Average Salary (Annual)
Doctor of Addiction Counseling Consultant	\$90,000 – \$150,000
Doctor of Addiction Counseling Professor	\$80,000 – \$140,000
Doctor of Addiction Counseling Director	\$95,000 – \$160,000
Doctor of Addiction Counseling Strategist	\$85,000 – \$145,000

Doctor of Addiction Counseling Researcher	\$75,000 – \$135,000
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Dissertation Outline

#	Section	Details
1	Introduction	• Define the scope, research question, and purpose of study
2	Literature Review	• Analyze current and past research relevant to your specialization
3	Methodology	• Describe your research design, tools, and procedures
4	Results	• Present data collected from your research efforts
5	Discussion	• Interpret findings and connect to the larger context
6	Conclusion	• Summarize outcomes and propose next steps or further research
7	References and Appendices	• Include citations and supplemental materials