

**PhD in Journalism,  
Minor in Christian Media  
HBIU University**

Course Duration: 3 years

Credit Hours: 105



**Program Description**

The Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) in Journalism at HBIU University is designed to equip students with the skills and knowledge necessary for advanced research, leadership, and innovation in the field of journalism. This program covers a broad spectrum of topics, including media ethics, investigative journalism, digital media, news production, and the role of journalism in shaping public opinion and policy. By integrating both theoretical frameworks and practical applications, graduates will be prepared to contribute meaningfully to the media industry, academia, and policy-making, advancing the field of journalism through research-driven insights and ethical reporting practices.

The Minor in Christian Media specialization offers focused training on the intersection of faith and media, exploring how Christian principles can inform and shape media production, storytelling, and journalism. This specialization examines topics such as faith-based journalism, media ethics from a Christian perspective, the role of media in faith communities, and the challenges of maintaining journalistic integrity while addressing issues of religious and spiritual significance. Students will gain the expertise to work in faith-based media organizations, religious publications,

and Christian broadcasting, while contributing to the broader media landscape from a faith-driven perspective.

### Admissions Requirements

- Master's degree in a relevant field
- Minimum GPA of 3.0
- GRE scores (if applicable)
- Statement of Purpose (1,000-1,500 words) outlining research interests
- Three letters of recommendation
- Academic writing sample
- Curriculum Vitae (CV) or resume
- Interview with faculty (if required)

### Core Foundational Courses (60 Credit Hours)

| Course Code | Course Name                    | Credit Hours |
|-------------|--------------------------------|--------------|
| PH.D 701    | Advanced Theories in the Field | 3            |
| PH.D 702    | Applied Research Methods       | 3            |
| PH.D 703    | Leadership and Ethics          | 3            |
| PH.D 704    | Strategic Decision Making      | 3            |
| PH.D 705    | Policy and Governance          | 3            |
| PH.D 706    | Crisis and Risk Management     | 3            |
| PH.D 707    | Innovation in the Field        | 3            |
| PH.D 708    | Global Perspectives            | 3            |
| PH.D 709    | Case Study Analysis            | 3            |
| PH.D 710    | Capstone in the Field          | 3            |

### Minor in Christian Media (15 Credit Hours)

| Course Code | Course Name                        | Credit Hours |
|-------------|------------------------------------|--------------|
| MINO 701    | Introduction to the Minor Field    | 3            |
| MINO 702    | Ethics and Best Practices          | 3            |
| MINO 703    | Case Studies and Applications      | 3            |
| MINO 704    | Policy and Governance in the Minor | 3            |
| MINO 705    | Capstone Project in the Minor      | 3            |

### Research, Dissertation, and Defense (30 Credit Hours)

| Course Code | Course Name                                   | Credit Hours |
|-------------|-----------------------------------------------|--------------|
| DISR 801    | Research Methods in Human Resources           | 3            |
| DISR 802    | Theoretical Frameworks in HR Research         | 3            |
| DISR 803    | Quantitative and Qualitative Research Methods | 3            |
| DISR 804    | Dissertation Proposal Development             | 3            |
| DISR 805    | Data Collection and Analysis                  | 3            |
| DISR 806    | Dissertation Writing: Literature Review       | 3            |
| DISR 807    | Dissertation Writing: Methodology             | 3            |
| DISR 808    | Dissertation Writing: Findings and Analysis   | 3            |
| DISR 809    | Dissertation Defense Preparation              | 3            |
| DISR 810    | Final Dissertation Defense                    | 3            |

### Program Outcomes

- Conduct advanced research in phd in journalism.
- Develop expertise in minor in christian media and its applications.
- Lead policy, research, and practical implementation in the field.
- Contribute to academic and industry advancements.

### Career Outcomes and Potential Pay Scale

| Career Path                           | Average Salary (Annual) |
|---------------------------------------|-------------------------|
| HR Director (Corporate/Non-Profit)    | \$90,000 - \$160,000    |
| Organizational Development Consultant | \$85,000 - \$150,000    |
| Talent Acquisition Specialist         | \$75,000 - \$130,000    |
| University Professor (HRM)            | \$80,000 - \$140,000    |
| HR Policy Analyst                     | \$85,000 - \$135,000    |
| Chief Human Resources Officer (CHRO)  | \$120,000 - \$250,000   |