

**PhD in Music Therapy,
Minor in Spiritual Care
HBI University**

Course Duration: 3 years

Credit Hours: 105



Program Description

The Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) in Music Therapy at HBIU University is designed to develop scholars and practitioners who seek to advance the field of music therapy through research, clinical practice, and leadership. This program provides an in-depth exploration of music therapy techniques, psychological and neurological foundations of music in healing, and the role of music in mental health and rehabilitation. By integrating both theoretical knowledge and applied therapeutic approaches, graduates will be prepared to contribute to academia, clinical settings, community health programs, and specialized therapeutic interventions that enhance well-being through music.

The Minor in Spiritual Care specialization offers focused training on the integration of faith and music therapy, preparing students to address the spiritual and emotional needs of individuals in clinical and faith-based settings. This specialization explores topics such as the use of music in pastoral care, spiritual approaches to healing, music in end-of-life care, and faith-centered therapy techniques. Students will gain the skills to incorporate spiritual elements into music

therapy practice, making them valuable contributors in hospitals, hospices, religious organizations, and counseling settings.

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 Spiritual Care (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 music therapy.
- Develop expertise in minor in spiritual care 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