

Bachelor of Law and Politics, Minor in Laws that govern church and state

HBI University

Course Duration: 4 years

Credit Hours: 135 (including minor)



Program Description

The Bachelor of Education, Minor in Diverse Ministry Education at HBIU University is designed to prepare students for teaching and leadership roles within Christian and faith-based educational institutions. This program integrates educational pedagogy, curriculum development, and ministry leadership training, equipping graduates with the skills necessary to teach, lead, and inspire diverse faith communities. Students will develop the ability to create effective educational environments that foster spiritual and academic growth while promoting Christian values and teachings.

Students will gain expertise in Christian education, student engagement, instructional strategies, and faith-based educational administration. The curriculum emphasizes the development of effective teaching methods, classroom management skills, and strategies for engaging students in both religious and secular settings. Additionally, students will be trained in multicultural ministry education, ensuring they are equipped to teach and mentor students from a variety of cultural and religious backgrounds. This program prepares graduates to lead educational programs in churches, Christian schools, and faith-based organizations, integrating academic knowledge with ministry.

The Minor in Diverse Ministry Education equips students with intercultural ministry leadership, faith-based teaching strategies, and cross-cultural engagement principles. This minor prepares students to educate and mentor diverse student populations, focusing on how to effectively teach and lead in a variety of cultural contexts. Students will learn how to approach ministry education with cultural sensitivity, integrating faith-based principles into teaching methods and educational leadership. Upon completion, graduates will be prepared to serve in diverse Christian educational settings, applying their knowledge of both education and ministry leadership to create inclusive and spiritually nurturing environments.

Admissions Requirements

- High school diploma or equivalent
- Minimum GPA of 2.5
- Personal statement outlining career goals and interest in chaplaincy and counseling
- Two letters of recommendation
- Resume (if applicable)
- SAT/ACT scores (if applicable)

General Education Courses (30 Credit Hours)

Course Code	Course Name	Credit Hours
GEN 101	English Composition I	3
GEN 102	English Composition II	3
GEN 103	College Algebra	3
GEN 104	Introduction to Political Science	3
GEN 105	Introduction to Theology	3
GEN 106	Public Speaking and Communication	3
GEN 107	Research Methods in Social Sciences	3
GEN 108	Ethics and Moral Reasoning	3
GEN 109	Leadership and Team Development	3
GEN 110	Constitutional Law	3

Core Law and Politics Courses (45 Credit Hours)

Course Code	Course Name	Credit Hours
LP 201	Introduction to Law and Politics	3
LP 202	Constitutional Law and Civil Liberties	3
LP 203	Political Philosophy	3
LP 204	Legal Research and Writing	3
LP 205	Civil Procedure and Litigation	3
LP 206	International Relations and Law	3
LP 207	Political Campaigns and Advocacy	3
LP 208	Legal Ethics and Professional Responsibility	3

LP 209	Political Parties and Election Law	3
LP 210	Government and Public Policy	3
LP 211	Administrative Law	3
LP 212	Law of Religious Freedom	3
LP 213	Separation of Church and State	3
LP 214	International Human Rights and Religion	3
LP 215	Law and Politics Internship	3

Elective Courses (15 Credit Hours)

Course Code	Course Name	Credit Hours
LP 301	Advanced Constitutional Law	3
LP 302	Government Regulation of Religion	3
LP 303	Political Theory and Faith-Based Governance	3
LP 304	Ethics in Public Administration	3
LP 305	Comparative Law and Politics	3

Minor in Laws that Govern Church and State (15 Credit Hours)

Course Code	Course Name	Credit Hours
LCS 401	Legal Foundations of Church and State	3
LCS 402	Church-State Litigation and Legal Cases	3
LCS 403	Policy and Religion	3
LCS 404	Religious Freedom and Constitutional Law	3
LCS 405	Faith-Based Advocacy and Law	3

Capstone Project (15 Credit Hours)

The capstone project serves as a culminating experience, allowing students to apply political theory, constitutional law, and church-state separation to a final project.

Students will:

- Develop a policy proposal addressing religious freedom or faith-based advocacy in public governance.
- Design a legal framework to address church-state issues, religious discrimination, or policy formation involving religious entities.

- Conduct research on current legal disputes related to church and state and religious freedoms.
- Present findings and proposals through a formal report and presentation.

This experience ensures students graduate with practical expertise in political law, religious freedoms, and church-state separation.

Program Outcomes

Graduates of this program will:

- Gain expertise in constitutional law, political systems, and legal frameworks related to religion.
- Develop skills in policy analysis, legal research, and advocacy in faith-based governance.
- Apply biblical principles in advocacy, policy-making, and public administration.
- Conduct research on church-state issues, religious freedoms, and global legal policies.
- Implement legal strategies to protect religious rights and faith-based organizations.

Career Outcomes and Potential Pay Scale

Career Path	Average Salary (Annual)
Political Advocate for Religious Freedom	\$60,000 - \$100,000
Constitutional Lawyer	\$70,000 - \$120,000
Public Policy Director	\$75,000 - \$150,000
Religious Rights Lawyer	\$60,000 - \$110,000
Government Policy Advisor	\$65,000 - \$120,000