

Degree Completion Program Application for Admission



Admissions Requirements

1. Return the completed, signed application with the \$25 application fee. Additional documents may be submitted separately.
2. Send an official college transcript.
3. Complete Essay.
4. Complete Pastor and Personal Reference.
5. Complete a short interview, either over the phone or in person, with your assigned admissions staff member.

Enrollment Intentions (Please check one in each column)

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| I will enter in: | I prefer to attend class: | I will study at: |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fall 20 ____ | <input type="checkbox"/> Tuesday, 6 - 10 p.m. | <input type="checkbox"/> Main Campus (Langhorne, PA) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Spring 20 ____ | <input type="checkbox"/> Thursday, 6 - 10 p.m. | <input type="checkbox"/> Philadelphia, PA (Saturday only) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Summer 20 ____ | <input type="checkbox"/> Saturday, 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. | |

Personal Information (Please print clearly in ink)

Title: Mr. Mrs. Miss Ms. Dr. Rev.

Name: _____
LAST/SURNAME FIRST M.I. PREFERRED

Former Last Name(s): _____

Social Security # (used for identification purposes): _____

Date of Birth: _____ Male Female U.S. Veteran Yes No

United States Citizen Yes No (if no, please answer a-d)

a) Permanent Resident Yes No (if yes, please provide copy of card) b) Type of Visa (please provide copy): _____

c) Country of Citizenship: _____ d) Country of Birth: _____

Present/Temporary Mailing Address (if temporary, please list end date): _____

Street: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Country _____ Zip/Postal Code: _____

Home Phone: (_____) _____ Cell Phone: (_____) _____ E-mail: _____

Please call me on my: Home Phone Cell Phone

Permanent Mailing Address (if different from above):

Street: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Country _____ Zip/Postal Code: _____

Educational Background

Have you earned a high school diploma? Yes No If no, have you earned a GED equivalency? Yes No

Please list all schools and training completed since high school. List most recent school attended first. Note: An official transcript from each school you have attended must be sent to PBU.

School Name	City, State	Credits Earned	Degree (if applicable)
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

Optional Information

Church Name: _____

Street: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Country _____ Zip/Postal Code: _____

Phone: (_____) _____ Denomination: _____

Pastor's Name: _____ PBU Alumnus/a Yes No

Spouse Information

Name: _____

Street: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Country _____ Zip/Postal Code: _____

Phone: _____

Ethnic Background (used for government reporting, will not be used in making an admissions decision). Select one or more of the following:

Are you of Hispanic origin? Yes No

American Indian/Alaskan Native Asian Black/African American Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander White

Present Employer Information

Name: _____ City/State: _____ Dates Employed: _____

Job Title/Description: _____

Essay

On a separate sheet of paper, please respond to the statements below. Your essay should be written in complete sentences and paragraphs, a minimum of 500 to a maximum of 750 words in length, and typewritten. Please include your name, address, and phone number at the top of your essay.

- Give a brief description of your family background.
- Share when and how you came to know Christ as your personal Savior.
- Tell us why you are interested in attending Philadelphia Biblical University; please include your goals.

Additional Information

Have you ever been refused admission to or dismissed from any college, university, or seminary? Yes* No

Have you ever been convicted of a crime (other than minor traffic violations) or are there charges pending against you at this time? Yes* No

*If you answered yes to either of the above questions, an explanation is required in order to complete your application. Please include this on a separate sheet.

3. Acknowledgment

I have read the **Statement of Faith** and acknowledge that it represents the position of Philadelphia Biblical University. In the interest of Christian community I agree to respect this position as I study at the University and further my own biblical and theological knowledge.

I have read the **Community Life Covenant and Standards of Conduct** and agree to abide by the standards detailed there.

I affirm that the facts set forth in my application and any materials I provide pertaining to my admission and/or financial aid are true and complete. I agree that if, in the judgment of Philadelphia Biblical University, any misrepresentation or omission has been made in this application or related materials, such misrepresentation/omission shall be sufficient cause for rejection prior to admission, and dismissal if I am admitted as a student.

Full Name (please print): _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

1. We believe that there is only one God, Creator of heaven and earth, who exists eternally in three equal persons— Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
2. We believe that the Old and New Testament Scriptures are the inspired Word of God, written under the guidance of the Holy Spirit without error in the words of the original documents and providentially preserved as the supreme authority for faith and life.
3. We believe that human beings were specially created by God to be perfect bearers of His image, but that through sin they alienated themselves from Him. Consequently, they have inherited a nature incapable of pleasing God and have incurred the certainty of physical death and the prospect of eternal punishment.
4. We believe that Jesus Christ, the eternal Son of God and second person of the Godhead, added humanity to His deity when He was conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He is therefore fully divine and fully human.
5. We believe that Jesus Christ, being without sin, died as the substitute for sinful humanity, and that His death is sufficient both to satisfy the justice of an offended holy God and to reconcile sinners to Him. We believe that Jesus Christ was raised from the dead bodily and ascended in that form into heaven, where He is presently interceding for His own as High Priest and Advocate.
6. We believe that sinners are forgiven, reconciled to God, kept by Him, and granted eternal life as a gift of His grace, which they receive by faith alone in the crucified and risen Savior, Jesus Christ. We believe that all who trust Him are born of the Holy Spirit and thereby become the children of God.
7. We believe that the Church, the spiritual body of Christ inaugurated by the Holy Spirit at Pentecost, is distinct from God's plan for Israel, and consists solely of those who have trusted Jesus Christ for salvation. We believe that its members are indwelt by the Holy Spirit from the moment of conversion and are enabled by Him to glorify the Lord Jesus by living godly lives, strengthening one another, and making disciples throughout all nations.
8. We believe that Jesus Christ will receive the Church into His presence at any time. Then follows a period of judgment climaxed by the personal and physical return of Christ to the earth to establish His sovereign rule of righteousness and peace for a thousand years.
9. We believe that both believers and unbelievers will be raised from the dead bodily, believers to conscious eternal blessedness in God's presence and unbelievers to conscious eternal punishment and separation from Him.

Community Life Covenant and Degree Completion Standards of Conduct

Community Life Covenant

PBU is an academic community of Christian students, faculty, and staff. As such, and in keeping with the mission and vision of the University, members of the PBU community are to exhibit biblical wisdom and Christian maturity regarding their personal conduct and behavior toward others. They should be sensitive regarding the testimony of their personal lives in representing the Lord Jesus Christ, His Church, and the University. Members of the University community should live according to 1 Corinthians 10:31: "Whatever you do, do all to the glory of God."

Christian community involves covenantal responsibility and mutual obligation to one another as members of one body living together before a righteous and holy God. Therefore, members of the University community are to be guided by biblical admonitions to demonstrate Christian love and concern for others, honesty, fairness, justice, kindness, forgiveness, mutual edification, self-control, deference, respect, and social responsibility toward one another and all people.

Because Christian community exists in social and cultural context, members must be careful to demonstrate civility and respect for those with whom they disagree, while exercising wisdom in evaluating the ideas and activities of others. Christians living in harmony share a deep concern for the Body of Christ, defer to one another, reason together, and express genuine Christian love, as outlined in Romans chapter fourteen.

Additional specific standards of conduct for students, faculty, staff, administration, and trustees as well as other institutional and governmental policies can be found in the respective handbooks for each group.

Degree Completion Standards of Conduct

The following standards apply to all University students while enrolled in the Degree Completion program at PBU. These standards are established on the bases of state and federal laws, biblical teaching, and University policy and tradition. The administration is responsible to, and reserves the right to, exercise judgment in interpreting and enforcing these standards and all matters related to them based upon the totality of the circumstances.

1. University students are subject to the responsibility of academic integrity which demands honesty and giving credit to the proper sources.
2. Hazing is classified as a crime by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; the University will not allow this type of activity. Hazing is defined as any type of initiation process which includes actions that may potentially cause bodily harm, physical exhaustion, personal embarrassment, loss of dignity, emotional trauma, or mental duress.
3. Harassment or discrimination against others on the basis of race, national origin, age, sex, or handicap is not tolerated. Intimidation and violence through words or action are prohibited. This includes, but is not limited to, threats, verbal attacks, vandalism, stalking, acts of hatred, and physical attack.
4. Students are to be highly selective in their choices of entertainment. Biblical standards and discernment should serve as guidelines in making personal decisions. Pornographic materials, including electronic media and sexually explicit internet sites and email, are not to be viewed, possessed, distributed, or transmitted on or away from campus.
5. PBU affirms the biblical teachings that a sexual relationship is intended only within a heterosexual marriage of husband and wife. Students are to abstain from any type of sexual activity or immoral relationship outside of the marriage of a man and a woman.
6. Tobacco, alcohol, illegal drugs, including illegally obtained prescription drugs, and gambling are prohibited on the PBU campus. All state and federal laws concerning these are to be strictly observed.

Degree Completion Program Pastor's Reference



Part I

TO THE APPLICANT: Please complete Part I, then have a pastor who is qualified to evaluate your professional work or academic potential complete Parts II and III. **This reference must be completed by a person outside your family.**

Name of Applicant: _____ Phone: (____) _____

Street: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip/Postal Code: _____

NOTICE: PUBLIC LAW 93-380, the Family Education Rights and Privacy Act of 1974, grants all students the right to inspect and review all of their official records. This right extends to letters of recommendation, except that a student may waive his/her right to inspect and review letters of recommendation by signing a waiver.

I waive my right to review this reference form. I do not waive my right to review this reference form.

Signature of Applicant: _____ Date: _____

No signature above indicates the applicant has not waived his/her right to review this reference form.

Part II

TO THE REFERENCE: The person named above has applied for admission to one of the Degree Completion Programs of Philadelphia Biblical University and has given your name as a reference. Please complete Parts II and III of this form and return it to our office. Your candid evaluation of the applicant is appreciated. Thank you for taking the time to assist in the application process.

How long have you known the applicant? _____

How well do you know the applicant? _____

Please give an evaluation of the applicant in each of the following areas by checking the appropriate box:

	UNSATISFACTORY	BELOW AVERAGE	AVERAGE	ABOVE AVERAGE	EXCEPTIONAL	NO BASIS FOR JUDGEMENT
Intellect	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Motivation/Initiative	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Aptitude for Problem Solving	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Leadership Ability	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Cooperativeness	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Creativity	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Maturity	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Self-esteem	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Verbal Communication Skills	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Written Communication Skills	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Career Potential	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Part III

Please use the space below to provide any additional information that may be helpful in evaluating the qualifications of the applicant.

REFERENCE'S OFFICIAL RECOMMENDATION

- I strongly recommend the applicant for admission.
- I recommend the applicant for admission.
- I do not recommend the applicant for admission.
- I recommend the applicant for admission with the following reservation: _____

- I need to discuss this recommendation by phone.

Name: _____

Title: _____

Organization: _____

Street: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: (_____) _____ E-mail: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

- Please send me information on the Degree Completion Program offered at Philadelphia Biblical University.
- Please send me information on the Undergraduate Programs offered at Philadelphia Biblical University.
- Please send me information on the Graduate Programs offered at Philadelphia Biblical University.

Degree Completion Program

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