IUDI

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY IN RELIGION & CULTURE

PROGRAM GUIDE

The Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) in Religion and Culture at IUDI equips scholars to navigate and address the rich and complex cultural and religious diversity of Africa from an Evangelical Christian perspective. The program integrates advanced studies in comparative religion, cultural anthropology, and contextual theology, enabling learners to understand how religious and cultural traditions shape African communities. Students are prepared to foster understanding, reconciliation, and transformation through biblically-informed and holistic approaches to ministry and scholarship.

Through specialized coursework, in-depth research, and the completion of a doctoral dissertation, students engage critically with the challenges and opportunities presented by Africa's pluralistic contexts. Graduates emerge as thought leaders, educators, and intercultural practitioners, empowered to drive meaningful change in ministry, academia, and intercultural initiatives through cross-cultural engagement.

Our Educational Model: Flexibility and Empowerment

At IUDI, our fully online, asynchronous model lets you study at your own pace, from anywhere. With no fixed schedules or enrollment deadlines, you can start anytime and balance your studies with your personal, family, and work commitments.

A Curriculum Designed for Leaders and Practitioners

Our learner-centered approach empowers students to become transformational leaders and effective practitioners. We employ a flipped classroom model, where students take responsibility for their own learning without professor-led instruction. Interactive coursework, case studies, and practical projects develop critical thinking and servant leadership for real-world impact.

Modular Learning for Seamless Progression

Our curriculum is organized into modules that focus on building specific skills. Start with any course in a module and complete all the courses to unlock the next one. Plus, you only need to pay for one module at a time, giving you the financial flexibility to plan and manage your education at your own pace.

Moodle: Our Digital Campus

Moodle is IUDI's online learning platform designed to support and enhance your educational journey. It serves as your central hub for accessing course materials, participating in discussions, submitting assignments, and tracking your progress.

Our Accreditation

IUDI is accredited by the Association of Independent Christian Colleges and Seminaries (AICCS) in the United States. IUDI's Religion & Culture degree programs are accredited by Conseil des Initiatives Théologiques en Afrique (CITAF).

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Program Outline: PhD in Religion & Culture

Module	Course	Credit Units	Tuition	Tuition with Daidanso Scholarship
Orientation	Orientation to IUDI	0	$0	$0
Foundations	How to Learn	5	$800	$400
	Academic French/English	5		
	Survey of Post-Colonial Africa	5		
	Introduction to Development	5		
Core	Effective Communication	4	$320	$160
	Ethical Leadership	4		
Research	Citation Styles and Formatting	5	$600	$300
	Ethical Research	5		
	Research Methods	5		
Advanced	Research Seminar 1	15	$2,400	$1,200
	Research Seminar 2	15		
	Research Seminar 3	15		
	Research Seminar 4	15		
Capstone	Survey of a Dissertation	17	$3,080	$1,540
	Dissertation	60		
Total		180	$7,200	$3,600