ENOCH ASCENSION CHRISTIAN UNIVERSITY · DEGREE COMPLETION PLAN

# Doctor of Ministry in Biblical Psychology

Catalog Year 2026–2027 · 100% Online · *We don't teach what to think. We awaken truth and walk in love.*

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| CREDITS BEYOND THE MASTER'S | COURSES | CREDITS PER COURSE | FOUR WAYS TO LEARN |

## Program Overview

The Doctor of Ministry in Biblical Psychology is a professional doctorate for leaders applying psychological insight to ministry and community life. Students study trauma and resilience in communities, consciousness and the soul, and applied research in faith and behavior.

## How EACU Is Different

Students study the mind and behavior through Scripture and science side by side, asking what each reveals about the human soul. Rather than choosing one over the other, students weigh the research, the biblical text, and the ancient understanding of body, soul, and spirit, and draw their own conclusions.

At the doctoral level, EACU students become the ones who walk others through the evidence. Every course requires students to examine a question from every side, then build and defend their own position, and the doctoral project turns that work into something that can be taught, published, or put into practice.

> **Required in every EACU degree:** Biblical Interpretation (Rightly Dividing the Word), Biblical Finance and Stewardship, and Biblical Mindset and Mental Health. Every course is built with visual, auditory, reading and writing, and hands-on learning.

**Please note:** This degree studies psychology from a biblical perspective. It does not lead to state licensure or professional certification, including as a psychologist, counselor, or therapist.

## Program Outcomes

1. Apply psychological insight to ministry practice.
2. Design community responses to trauma that build resilience.
3. Evaluate scientific and biblical accounts of consciousness and the soul.
4. Conduct applied research in faith and behavior.
5. Design, conduct, and defend an original doctoral project.

## Where This Degree Can Lead

- Director of faith-based behavioral programs
- Researcher and consultant to ministries
- Author and speaker
- Faculty in psychology and faith

## Admission

A completed master's degree. See Admissions for full requirements.

Career paths above are examples only; EACU does not provide job placement or promise employment (Handbook Section 12).

# D.Min. in Biblical Psychology

Degree Completion Plan · Student: _____

## EACU Required Core — 12 credits

| | CODE | COURSE | CR | TERM COMPLETED |
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| ☐ | EACU 800 | Doctoral Orientation and Research Methods | 3 | |
| ☐ | BIBL 801 | Advanced Interpretation: Rightly Dividing the Word at the Doctoral Level | 3 | |
| ☐ | FINC 801 | Organizational Stewardship and Ministry Finance | 3 | |
| ☐ | MHLT 801 | Trauma, Forgiveness, and Healing | 3 | |

## Major: Biblical Psychology — 12 credits

| | CODE | COURSE | CR | TERM COMPLETED |
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| ☐ | PSYC 810 | Psychology, Theology, and Ministry Practice | 3 | |
| ☐ | PSYC 820 | Trauma and Resilience in Communities | 3 | |
| ☐ | PSYC 830 | Consciousness, Spirit, and Soul in Scripture and Science | 3 | |
| ☐ | PSYC 840 | Applied Research in Faith and Behavior | 3 | |

## Research Sequence — 12 credits

| | CODE | COURSE | CR | TERM COMPLETED |
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| ☐ | EACU 880 | Literature Review and Research Proposal | 3 | |
| ☐ | EACU 885 | Research Design and Ethics | 3 | |
| ☐ | EACU 890 | Doctoral Project I | 3 | |
| ☐ | EACU 891 | Doctoral Project II | 3 | |

**The Doctoral Project.** Students identify a real problem in their ministry or field, review the literature, design and carry out a study or intervention, and present their findings in a written project defended before a faculty committee. The project may lead to a published book, curriculum, or program.

| Credit Summary | |
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| EACU Required Core | 12 |
| Major | 12 |
| Research Sequence | 12 |
| **Total Required** | **36** |

## Suggested Sequence

**Year 1**
Doctoral Orientation, Advanced Interpretation, Finance, Mental Health

**Year 1 to 2**
Major courses

**Year 2**
Literature Review and Proposal, Research Design

**Year 2 to 3**
Doctoral Project I and II, defense