

DEGREE OPTIONS, FORMATS, AND CONCENTRATIONS

I am the vine; you  
are the branches.  
Whoever abides in  
me and I in him,  
he it is that bears  
much  
apart from  
can do



## TALBOT SCHOOL OF THEOLOGY

PH.D. AND ED.D. PROGRAMS  
IN EDUCATIONAL STUDIES

## › TWO DOCTORAL DEGREES

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### Ph.D. IN EDUCATIONAL STUDIES

The Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) degree equips the “Researcher-Teacher” with the research, integration, as well as teaching and leadership skills to contribute to their discipline, teach and equip others for educational ministry leadership roles, and give leadership in their institutions. This is the preferred degree for full-time teaching at most Christian higher education institutions.

### Ed.D. IN EDUCATIONAL STUDIES

The Doctor of Education (Ed.D.) degree equips the “Leader-Teacher” with skills in research assessment and application to educational concerns. The program provides the same training in critical thinking, theological integration, and teaching as the Ph.D. program, but with a more applied focus. This fits well for the needs of ministry leaders and some teaching settings.

## › AVAILABLE IN TWO CONCENTRATIONS

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### TEACHING FOUNDATIONS AND CHRISTIAN FORMATION

For those focusing on ways of developing and carrying out educational efforts to promote spiritual growth and formation, in both non-formal settings such as the church, and formal settings including Christian higher education.

### CHRISTIAN HIGHER EDUCATION LEADERSHIP

For those equipping themselves for roles in Christian higher education leadership and administration, and carrying out research and writing to strengthen this growing field.

## › OFFERED IN TWO FORMATS

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### RESIDENTIAL PROGRAMS

These programs are available in a regular residential format, consisting of 4-5 semesters of study on campus, a candidacy exam, and the dissertation. It normally takes 4-5 years to complete the programs in this format.

### MODIFIED-RESIDENTIAL PROGRAMS

These programs are also available in a format that utilizes outside work, online interaction, and face-time in classes in early January and most of June. This normally takes 5-6 years to complete the programs in this format.

## › WITH FINANCIAL AID OPPORTUNITIES

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Doctoral study is expensive. Talbot’s Ph.D. and Ed.D. programs have a strong scholarship program to assist well-qualified students in need, including a limited number of scholarships at 50% of tuition or greater. Ask for a scholarship application form.



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