The PhD (Religious Education) prepares men and women to be scholars and researchers in the specialized teaching and discipling ministries of the home, the church, or the Christian college or university.

All candidates further develop the core competencies of a religious educator and select an area of specialization for intense study and research using research methodologies of the social sciences.

### PhD (Religious Education) Customized Emphasis

#### Prerequisites
- DSRE541 Foundations of Biblical Spirituality
- DSRE605 Contemporary Topics in Rel. Ed. & Discipleship
- EDFN500 Philosophical Foundations for Professionals
- EDRM505 Research Methods
- EDRM611 Applied Statistical Methods 1

#### Credits
- 3
- 3
- 3
- 2-3
- 2-3

#### DSRE 850
Theological Foundations of Christian Teaching
- 3

#### GSEM 915
Biblical and Theological Hermeneutics
- 3

#### Curriculum Elective (DSRE610; EDCI565)
- 3

#### Psychology Elective (see advisor)
- 3

#### Leadership Elective (see advisor)
- 3

#### DSRE 830
Advanced Fostering Spiritual Growth
- 3

#### DSRE 887
Applied Research
- 1

#### EDRM 712
Applied Statistical Methods II
- 3

#### EDRM 605
Qualitative Research Methods
- 3

#### DSRE 995*
Doctoral Dissertation
- 13-14

#### Choose 1
- EDRM 880 OR GSEM 854
- 2 OR 3

#### DSRE 878
Advanced Scholarly Professional Development
- 0

#### DSRE 950
Synthesis in Religious Education
- 3

#### Customized Emphasis Conditions:
- Academic area must be appropriate to Rel. Ed.
- Grad courses on topic must be available at AU
- AU faculty with expertise in the topic must be available for advising
- 9 credits to be taken from Christian Formation & Discipleship

*If you take EDRM880, then you need to take 14 credits of DSRE995; if you take GSEM854, then you need to take 13 credits of DSRE995 for a total of 16 credits in the dissertation sequence.

### Program Outcomes

- **Christian Apologist** – Is informed about the theology, ideology, and theory that impacts religious education in the contemporary context, articulates the Christian position so as to win the hearts and minds of others to Christ.

- **Pastor-Teacher** – Uses transformational teaching and learning strategies to disciple others toward Christian maturity across the life span.

- **Servant Leader** – Is able to lead groups and organizations to make positive change using contextually appropriate means.

- **Evaluator-Researcher** – Sees the universe as a revelation from God, and seeks to understand that revelation and the work of others who have explored it, using appropriate and well-honed methods of inquiry.

- **Maturing Christian** – Through a well-lived and joyful life, gives evidence of spiritual, mental, physical, and social growth and transformation through on-going submission to Christ’s Word and the Holy Spirit.

- **Lifelong Learner** – Reflects the creative expression of the imago dei through sustainable habits of scholarship

- **Area Expert** – Applies all relevant core competencies to his or her area of emphasis and teaches others to do likewise.

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