

ABHE seeks actively to strengthen and enlarge our membership by forging an alliance that encompasses any carefully vetted North American postsecondary institution—accredited by ABHE’s Commission on Accreditation or any other USDE/CHEA-recognized accreditor—that shares our association’s purpose, biblical convictions, educational philosophy, and core values.

ASSOCIATION PURPOSE

ABHE is the quality and credibility resource partner that connects efforts among Christian postsecondary educational institutions and with others invested in serious Bible learning that shapes a life of godly influence and service to the most effective means for maturing, thriving, and sustaining. (excerpted from *ABHE Constitution*, Article II)

BIBLICAL CONVICTIONS

- ▶ *Tenets of Faith*
- ▶ *Religious Freedom and Human Sexuality*

EDUCATIONAL PHILOSOPHY

We are committed to education that is legitimately postsecondary and academically rigorous, challenging students to develop critical thinking skills and leading them in the formation of a biblically grounded Christian worldview, seeking to foster growth and flourishing that emphasizes Bible engagement and spiritual development in community to help students to answer God’s call to live life on mission with Him.

While our members’ curricular offerings may vary substantially in *circumference*, our educational philosophy revolves around a common center. We aspire to deliver education that helps students:

- ▶ **LOOK IN** — taking a deep discovery dive into the Bible’s meaning and message
- ▶ **LOCK IN** — to a life-giving and life-transforming relationship with God
- ▶ **LEAN IN** — to a life of destiny, a life on mission with the God who is determined to make all things new through Christ

CORE VALUES

- ▶ **Spiritual Engagement** – We will fulfill our mission as a spiritual enterprise, led and empowered by the Holy Spirit, united in Christ, faithful in biblical truth and prayer.
- ▶ **Uncompromising Integrity** – We will be honest and transparent in all personal and organizational relationships through word, attitude and action.
- ▶ **Stakeholder Value** – We will persistently deliver added value for stakeholders through services, resources, communications, and partnerships.
- ▶ **Professional Excellence** – We will pursue and promote the highest quality in our educational standards, organizational processes, services, events, communications and relationships.
- ▶ **Innovation Bias** – We will consistently honor initiative and foster creativity.
- ▶ **Team Synergy** – We will partner with colleagues in high mutual respect, reflexive cooperation, personal industry, and collective effectiveness.

TERMS OF MEMBERSHIP

- ▶ Initial: 5 years | Renewal: 10 years

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- ▶ (FY 9/1-8/31): \$4,000 annually, invoiced in September

CRITERIA — Documented institutional affirmation of:

- ▶ Accredited by ABHE's Commission on Accreditation or any other USDE/CHEA-recognized accreditor
- ▶ Tenets of Faith
- ▶ Position Statement on Religious Freedom & Human Sexuality
- ▶ ABHE Purpose/Brand Identity (Constitution, Article II)
- ▶ ABHE member endorsement
- ▶ Membership Committee affirmation

TWO-WAY BENEFITS

ABHE Extends . . .

- ▶ Enriched networking with leaders of like-minded Christian postsecondary institutions
- ▶ Amplification of your voice with others on behalf of biblically orthodox, Christ-centered higher education
- ▶ Solidarity and identification with biblically grounded institutions for cultural impact
- ▶ Strategic leadership development and synergy to enhance institutional flourishing
- ▶ Voting membership in ABHE's Presidential Congress
- ▶ Eligibility for service on ABHE Board of Directors
- ▶ Subscriptions to:
 - ▷ Presidential briefings
 - ▷ C-suite communications
 - ▷ Blogs on strategic issues by higher education leaders
- ▶ Access to all events & resources at member prices
 - ▷ Annual Meeting
 - ▷ Leadership development events & certification programs
 - ▷ ABHE Faculty LIFE (Learning Institute for Faculty Excellence)
 - ▷ ABHE Job Board (job postings, employment search)
 - ▷ ABHE Knowledge Center (searchable, downloadable info)
 - ▷ ABHE Standardized/Normed Bible Exams

You help . . .

- ▶ Enrich and strengthen the capacity of our biblical higher education community for Kingdom impact
- ▶ Amplify the visibility, voice and influence of our movement for accomplishing the Great Commission
- ▶ Enhance and elevate our brand promise equity for organizational and institutional mission fulfillment
- ▶ Bring greater glory and renown to God through the combined ministry of biblical higher education