

FORUM ON EFFECTIVE LEADERSHIP OF DOCTORAL PROGRAMS WEDNESDAY | FEBRUARY 15, 2023



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Overview: Doctoral programs are a significant investment for a Bible college or seminary, and there is a lot to consider in designing and overseeing a strong program. This one-day "Boot Camp" is designed for new(er) and prospective doctoral program directors and staff to introduce and work through a range of critical issues in program design and oversight. This session, offered by two veteran doctoral program directors, will provide practical help and encouragement to those responsible for leading this important educational effort in their schools..

7:00 – 8:00 Forum Buffet Breakfast — Regency Foyer | [Sponsored by Campus](#)

8:00 – 8:15 Welcome & Introductions

8:15 – 9:30 SESSION 1 — THEOLOGICAL GROUNDING AND PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT

- ▶ The stewardship of scholarship
- ▶ Key issues: mission, cost, access/market, Time to Degree, in-person/distance, accreditation, faculty workload
- ▶ Design issues in light of type of program and students
- ▶ Program goals and Program Learning Outcomes (PLOs), Curriculum planning and design

9:30 – 10:15 Refreshment Break — Regency Foyer | [Sponsored by Blackbaud](#)

10:15 – 11:45 SESSION 2 — LAUNCHING WELL AND FACULTY ISSUES

- ▶ Marketing, recruiting students
- ▶ Admissions issues and procedures
- ▶ Orientation of Students
- ▶ Faculty workloads and developments

12:00 – 1:00 Buffet Lunch — Regency Foyer

1:00 – 2:15 SESSION 3 — DISSERTATION/PROJECT PROCESS AND SUPERVISION

- ▶ Preparing students for the final dissertation/project, assessing readiness
- ▶ Guiding students through the final dissertation/project
- ▶ Writing help for students
- ▶ Assessing the final Dissertation/Project

2:15 – 3:00 Refreshment Break — Regency Foyer | [Sponsored by Alliance Defending Freedom](#)

3:00 – 4:15 SESSION 4 — PROGRAM ASSESSMENT AND PROGRAM ADVOCACY

- ▶ Using PLOs to develop assessment systems
- ▶ Doctoral program and personnel needs – advocacy to support a strong program

4:15 – 4:30 Wrap Up

6:00 – 8:30 CONNECTIONS DINNER — Ballroom B/C/D | [Sponsored by Weave and In His Name HR](#)