



Biblical Seminary of the Philippines

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APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION Ph.D. in Ministerial Studies

Date: _____
MM-DD-YYYY

INTRODUCTORY INFORMATION

1. Applicant's name: _____
Last Name First Name Middle Initial

2. Permanent address: _____

Cell phone no.: _____ E-mail address: _____

3. Date of birth: _____ Gender Male Female Marital Status: _____
MM-DD-YYYY

4. Place of Birth: _____ Nationality: _____

5. If married, is your spouse in sympathy with your enrollment in the Ph.D. program? _____

6. Number and ages of dependents at home

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7. What is your mother tongue? _____

What other languages can you speak, read, or write including biblical languages?

ACADEMIC INFORMATION:

List all the schools attended beyond elementary (high school, college/university, seminary).

Name of School	Course of Study	Dates Attended	Degree Received

REFERENCES

The applicant is required to provide three references, one from a former professor, one from a pastoral colleague, and one from a leader in the applicant's church (e.g. an elder or deacon). Please indicate below the names and addresses of the individuals to whom you have given the reference forms.

Professor _____ Phone no. _____

E-mail address _____

Pastoral colleague _____ Phone no. _____

E-mail address _____

Church leader _____ Phone no. _____

E-mail address _____

PERSONAL INFORMATION

1. When and where did you become a born-again Christian?

2. What was your church background or denomination?

3. What church or ministry are you currently serving in?

4. What are your hobbies or special interests?

5. What is your level of computer "literacy"?

6. Have you ever been refused admission to, suspended by, or dismissed from a school or seminary? Yes No

If yes, please explain _____

7. Have you ever had any serious physical or mental illness? Yes No?

If yes, please explain _____

8. Do you have any vices that would hinder your ministry effectiveness (smoking, gambling, alcohol or drug addiction, extramarital sexual activity)? Yes No

If yes, please explain _____

9. Have you been convicted of a crime or are you presently charged with a crime? Yes No

If yes, please explain _____

10. How do you plan to pay for your educational expenses (tuition, fees, books, room and board)?

MINISTRY INFORMATION:

List all the ministry positions that you have been involved in since completing your seminary training. Prospective students are normally expected to have 5 years of ministry experience after their graduation from seminary.

Name of Church or Ministry	Position	Dates

1. What strengths has God given to you in terms of ministry skills?

2. In what areas do you need to grow in terms of ministry skills?

3. What goals do you have for your ministry?

4. What is your normal practice in personal prayer and personal study in the Bible?

5. How do you think the Ph.D. in Ministerial Studies program might be able to help you in your future ministry?

ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS

Please use separate sheets of paper to provide a well-written paragraph for each of the following questions.

1. How would you describe your spiritual journey? How and when did you make your initial commitment to Christ? What significant events or influential people helped you to grow in your Christian life?
2. How would you describe your call to Christian ministry? When and under what circumstances did you commit yourself to full-time service for God?
3. How would you describe your current relationship with God? In what ways is God helping you to grow in your relationship with him at the present time?
4. How would you describe your ministry experience? What is your current ministry position? What parts of your ministry provide you with satisfaction and joy? What parts of ministry are a challenge for you?
5. How would you describe your role in caring for the spiritual needs of your family? Do you plan to move your family to the Manila area (if you currently live elsewhere) during your studies? How do you plan to support and care for your family during your studies?
6. Please carefully read the Statement of Faith for Biblical Seminary of the Philippines, which is available at the school website (<https://bsop.edu.ph>). What parts of the Statement of Faith are most important for your own doctrinal beliefs? Are there any parts of the Statement of Faith with which you disagree? If so, what are they and why do you find yourself in disagreement with them?

SIGNATURE

By signing this application form, you are indicating that to the best of your knowledge all the information provided in your application is true and accurate.

(Applicant's Signature)

(Date MM-DD-YYYY)

ADDITIONAL STEPS FOR APPLYING TO THE DOCTORAL PROGRAM

In addition to this application form, the following steps must be completed in order to evaluate your application to the Ph.D. in Ministerial Studies program.

1. You must have transcripts sent from all schools that you attended after completing your high school education. The transcripts should be sent to the registrar at the school's mailing address (Biblical Seminary of the Philippines, Attn. Registrar, P.O. Box 11, 1469 Valenzuela City, Philippines) or e-mail address (registrar@bsop.edu.ph).
2. You must provide three references: one from a former professor, one from a pastoral colleague, and one from a leader in your church (e.g. an elder or deacon). The purpose for these references is to show evidence of your Christian character, your academic ability, your strengths in ministry, and your potential for further growth in church leadership. The reference forms are available at the BSOP website. Reference forms should be sent by e-mail to the Office of the Registrar (registrar@bsop.edu.ph) or by mail to BSOP (Biblical Seminary of the Philippines, Attn: Registrar, P.O. Box 11, 1469 Valenzuela City, Philippines).
3. You must submit the Health Record Form that is available at the BSOP website. The Health Record Form contains a portion to be completed by the prospective student and a portion to be completed by a doctor.
4. You must submit an essay (1500 to 2000 words) expressing your philosophy of ministry. What do you consider to be the biblical foundations, priorities, and goals of pastoral ministry? The essay should demonstrate your ability to interpret Scripture, to reflect deeply on the nature of ministry, and to write well in English.
5. Prospective students whose first language is not English must provide a TOEFL score of at least 550 or the equivalent. Consideration will be given to applicants who completed an M.Div. in which English was the language of instruction.
6. It will be necessary for prospective students who live outside of the Philippines to submit additional documentation before entrance into the program (for example, copies of passport and visa).
7. After the submission of the application forms, you must schedule with the BSOP registrar's office an interview with the Ph.D. admissions committee.
8. A one-time non-refundable fee of ₱2,500 / US\$50 must be paid along with the application for enrollment. For bank details please refer to: <https://bsop.edu.ph/student/admission/> Manual Registration and Payment Instruction