

HIGHLANDS BIBLE INSTITUTE APPLICATION

DATE _____

CONTACT

FULL NAME _____ BIRTH DATE _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

PHONE _____ EMAIL _____

COUNTRY OF BIRTH _____

CITIZENSHIP _____ DO YOU HAVE A PASSPORT? _____

FAMILY INFORMATION

- Single Married Engaged
 Widowed Divorced Separated/Remarried

EDUCATION & EXPERIENCE

What is the highest level of education you have attended? _____

What college, if any, did you attend/are you attending? _____

Major _____ Minor (If any) _____

If you have had formal Bible training, please state how many semester hours _____

Additional training or certificates received _____

Current Occupation _____

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CHURCH AFFILIATION

Current Church _____ Denomination _____

Ministry Leader's Name _____ How Long Have You Attended? _____

Address or Website _____ Phone _____

Previous Church _____ Denomination _____

Ministry Leader's Name _____ How Long Did You Attended? _____

Address or Website _____ Phone _____

List your responsibilities/duties in your current area of ministry service. Elaborate as necessary.
(Note: Applicants must be actively engaged at the church they attend.)

1 _____

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Explain how you feel the Lord has gifted and equipped you for serving Him and others.

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CHRISTIAN LIFE

Please answer the following questions in each field provided:

1. Explain when and how you came to know Christ personally.

2. Describe your relationship with Christ and how you maintain that relationship.

3. Describe your relationship with your current church.

5. In 50 words or less, what do you hope to gain by being enrolled in Highlands Bible Institute?

6. Explain any differences you have with Highlands Bible Institute's Statement of Faith and/or Statement on Diversity. (see next page for statement)

By signing and/or submitting, I agree to having Highlands Bible Institute check any listed references, and I agree to participate in an entrance interview prior to enrollment. I also acknowledge having read and hereby agree with the Highlands Bible Institute Statement of Faith and Statement on Diversity.

SIGNATURE _____ Date ____/____/____

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HIGHLANDS BIBLE INSTITUTE STATEMENT ON DIVERSITY

“There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is neither male nor female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus” (Galatians 3:28ESV).

Diversity is not just a twenty-first-century buzzword. It is an acknowledgment that American culture is of two genders and multiple origins, languages, races, colors, religions and cultures. Marginalization of female and minority voices has a long history in our nation, and improving such marginalization is a primary task of education and Christian education in particular. Diversity is an acknowledgment that American culture is of two genders and multiple origins, languages, races, colors, religions and cultures. Marginalization of female and minority voices has a long history in our nation, and improving such marginalization is a primary task of education and Christian education in particular.

Part of the church’s mission is to proclaim the gospel to peoples of the earth. Highlands Bible Institute acknowledges the importance of a biblical theology of “every tribe and language and people and nation” (Revelation 5:9). This means reaching people-groups within our immediate culture and the varied cultures of the world. Crossing ethnic, gender, economic, social and racial boundaries to accomplish quality theological education is an intentional act of Highlands Bible Institute.

To this end, Highlands Bible Institute actively subscribes to a policy of equal education and employment opportunity for all people regardless of race, national origin, sex, age, marital status or disability. This policy is informed by Titles VI and VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973. Our subscription to this policy in no way compromises our freedom to engage in our educational mission in accordance with the religious and ecclesiastical purposes of this institution. We clearly desire to serve Christ-honoring students of all backgrounds in an ever-expanding and diverse student body, one whose diversity enriches us theologically, spiritually, and pastorally.

Denominational Distinctive and Theological Diversity

We are an inter/multi-denominational Bible training institute serving primarily, though not exclusively, the evangelical community. This means that students from many backgrounds and faith groups are on campus for personal ministry preparation. Diversity of denominations/faith groups means diversity of opinions on theological and doctrinal matters. It is one of the strengths of an inter/multi-denominational seminary that we can debate, respect, and even enjoy theological diversity that can exist under the authority of the inspired Scriptures.

Non-Discrimination Policy

Within the context of its theological convictions and mission, Highlands Bible Institute does not discriminate on the basis of race, sex, disability, age or ethnic origin in the administration of its educational policies, admissions policies, scholarships, and other institute-administered programs.

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HIGHLANDS BIBLE INSTITUTE STATEMENT OF FAITH

The Scripture

We believe in the scriptures of the Old and New Testament as being verbally and completely inerrant in the original writings and of supreme and final authority in faith and life. (2 Timothy 3:16; 2 Peter 1:20-21)

One God

We believe in one God, eternally existing in three persons: Father, Son and Holy Spirit. (Genesis 1:26; Deuteronomy 6:4; Matthew 28:19; 2 Corinthians 13:14)

Jesus Begotten of the Holy Spirit

We believe that Jesus Christ was begotten of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary and is true God and true man. (Matthew 1:18; Philippians 2:5-8)

Role of the Holy Spirit

We believe the Holy Spirit was sent by the Father as promised to convict the world of sin, to glorify Jesus and to transform the lives of believers into the likeness of Christ. (John 16:7-8; John 16:14; Titus 3:5)

The State of Man

We believe that man was created in the image of God; that he sinned and thereby incurred not only physical death, but also spiritual death which is separation from God; and that all human beings are born with a sinful nature. (Romans 3:10; Romans 3:23; Romans 5:12)

The Substitutionary Atonement of Christ

We believe that the Lord Jesus died for our sins according to the scriptures as a representative and substitutionary sacrifice, and that all who believe in Him are redeemed and justified on the ground of His shed blood. (Romans 5:8-9; 1 Corinthians 15:3-4)

Resurrection of the Lord

We believe in the resurrection of the crucified body of our Lord, His ascension into heaven, and His present life for us as High Priest and advocate. (1 Corinthians 15:3-4; 1 John 2:1)

Belief and Faith

We believe that all who receive, by faith, the Lord Jesus Christ are born of the Holy Spirit and thereby children of God, a relationship in which they are eternally secure. (John 10:27-30; Acts 16:30-31; Romans 8:31-39; Ephesians 2:8-9)

Baptism

We believe in "believer's baptism". That is, baptism is a conscious decision made by one who has already trusted Christ as their personal Savior. (Acts 8:12)

The Reality of Heaven and Hell

We believe in the bodily resurrection of the just and of the unjust; the everlasting blessedness of the saved, and the everlasting conscious punishment of the lost, along with Satan and the other fallen angels. (Acts 24:1, 1 Corinthians 15:42, 1 Corinthians 3:11-15, Revelation 20:11-15)

The Church

We believe that the Church is a spiritual organism made up of all believers in Christ; that in its local manifestation it is an autonomous (self-governing) assembly. (Ephesians 4:12, Hebrews 10:24-25, 1 Corinthians 12:12-31)

The Blessed Hope

We believe in the personal, pre-millennial and imminent return of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. (Titus 2:13)

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REFERENCES

To assist us in evaluating your application, we request two (2) references from people who know you well, but who are not relatives. Please download reference forms at HighlandsChurch.org/hbi and send them to a pastor or ministry leader, and a Christian friend or mentor. Instruct them to either mail the form to Highlands Bible Institute 9050 E. Pinnacle Peak Road Scottsdale, Arizona 85255 or email it to hbi@highlandschurch.org. We will not be able to fully process your application until we receive your completed reference forms.

Pastor/Elder

NAME _____ TITLE _____

ADDRESS _____

PHONE _____ EMAIL _____

Christian Friend/Mentor

NAME _____ TITLE _____

ADDRESS _____

PHONE _____ EMAIL _____

HBI STUDENT REFERENCE

Reference for _____

Completed by _____

Instructions: The above individual has applied to be a student at Highlands Bible Institute and has listed you as a personal reference. Our vision is to equip those who are actively engaged within the local church to become more effective servant-leaders of Jesus Christ through providing biblical, theological, and practical ministry training. Our program is designed for individuals who desire a deeper understanding of God, the Bible, doctrine, and overall church ministry.

Please complete this brief survey and return it to the address listed at the bottom. Your responses will be kept confidential and will not be shared with the applicant. Thank you.

1. How long have you known the applicant?

- 0 to 1 year
- 1 to 3 years
- 3 to 5 years
- more than 5 years

2. What is your relationship to the applicant? (check all that apply)

- Pastor or Ministry Leader
- Christian Friend/Mentor

3. How would you describe the applicant's overall character?

- Exceptional
- Good
- Fair
- Poor

4. Have you ever seen any behavior on the part of the applicant that would cause you concern?

- Yes
- No

If yes, explain:

5. Briefly provide any additional comments you believe would be beneficial to Highlands Bible Institute in terms of the individual's effectiveness with people or capacity for ministry. Attach an additional sheet if necessary.

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Scottsdale, AZ 85255

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