

# DISSERTATION (DISS)

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**DISS 987 Dissertation Proposal and Research I 5 Credit Hour(s)**

A course designed to develop research skills in the development and approval of a dissertation prospectus/proposal. Students will write and secure approval of a PhD prospectus/proposal outlining chapter by chapter content summation in alignment with a thesis statement and a comprehensive approach to research and writing. The dissertation prospectus/proposal must be approved prior to beginning dissertation writing, which will take place within the course once the prospectus/proposal is approved.

**Registration Restrictions:** Program Director Approval

**Offered:** Resident

**DISS 988 Dissertation Proposal and Research II 5 Credit Hour(s)**

**Prerequisite:** DISS 987

A course designed as a continuation of DISS 987. This course is the second step of dissertation research and writing. Under the guidance of the dissertation chair and committee members, students will research and write chapters to add to the prospectus and materials from DISS 987.

**Registration Restrictions:** Program Director Approval

**Offered:** Resident

**DISS 989 Dissertation Proposal and Research III 3,5 Credit Hour(s)**

A course designed as the final step for dissertation research and writing prior to the dissertation defense. Under the guidance of the dissertation chair and committee members, students will research and write chapters to complete the dissertation and to prepare for the final defense in DISS 990.

**Registration Restrictions:** Program Director Approval

**Offered:** Resident

**DISS 990 Dissertation Defense 3 Credit Hour(s)**

**Online Prerequisite:** DISS 989

DISS 990 facilitates the oral defense for a PhD in Theology and Apologetics candidate who has completed the dissertation under their supervisory team and is ready to defend their research and results.

**Registration Restrictions:** DISS 989 and Approval of Program Director

**Offered:** Online