



### **PROGRAM OUTCOMES**

Your education at Talbot will nourish the life of your mind. Holding fast to a traditional biblical foundation, Talbot's MA Philosophy degree prepares you to impact the world for Jesus Christ and encourage the church to think about philosophy in the analytic tradition. You will further develop your abilities and spiritual gifts, and strengthen your specialties and competencies so that you can go on to pursue further graduate work in philosophy, ethics, religions studies, law, political science and theology. You'll become equipped to think critically, to do research and to understand the philosophical and ethical concepts of Christianity.

### **WHO THIS PROGRAM IS FOR**

Consider this program if you feel called to Christian service and want an opportunity to shape the way Christians and non-Christians think and develop their worldview. You may serve in areas such as:

- Post-graduate work leading to teaching or research
- Church leadership (both full-time pastoring and lay leadership)
- Para-church organization leadership in the United States and in other countries
- Teaching in non-theological fields, either at home or in a foreign country

### **DISTINCTIVES**

*Faculty* (Dr. William Lane Craig, Dr. Garry DeWeese, Dr. Douglas Geivett, Dr. David A. Horner, Dr. J.P. Moreland, Dr. Scott B. Rae).

Our faculty are:

- Well-respected in the academic community
- Experienced with many years of practical ministry, including church planting, missionary work, college ministry, and pastoring
- Considered experts and consulted by leaders in various fields, including medical, legal, government and teaching
- Active in speaking at many campuses worldwide
- Published, with over 40 books in print by Oxford University Press, Prometheus, Routledge, Temple University Press, InterVarsity, Zondervan, and others
- Actively writing articles for magazines and journals, with over 200 in print to date
- Diverse in background and experience

*Faith*

- Commitment to the integration of an evangelical worldview within an entirely Christian community (students, faculty, and staff)

*Leadership in Thought*

- Philosophia Christi is a journal published by Evangelical Philosophical Society and Biola University
- Colloquium lectures on crucial philosophical and ethical topics have been delivered by outstanding scholars such as Dallas Willard, Anthony Flew, Louis Pojman, William Alston, Paul Moser and William Rowe

### **FUNDING AND COSTS**

- Biola's Financial aid department assists you with grants, loans and scholarships
- Every application is considered for financial aid opportunities
- Biola offers church-matching scholarships



### **WHAT'S IT LIKE AT TALBOT**

Talbot School of Theology is part of Biola University, located in La Mirada, California, an outlying suburb 19 miles east of downtown Los Angeles, in between both Los Angeles and Orange Counties. This location gives you an incredible opportunity to interact with people from many different cultures, social-economic levels and a variety of religions. It's also a convenient destination for guest lecturers. At Talbot, you'll be near many other major universities, religious institutions, arts, recreation areas, major corporations and non-profit groups.

You'll be in an average class size of 24 students, among 104 total students enrolled in the program. Your classrooms have wireless Internet access, and on campus you'll find a new library, gym and fitness center, pool and open green space.

Fellowship is encouraged and you'll find many opportunities within the MA Philosophy Program as well as at Talbot. Go to our Philosophy House, a nearby home reserved exclusively for MA Philosophy students to fellowship, study, or meet in small groups. Experience informal mentoring with professors and fellow students.

### **AS AN ALUMNI, WHAT COMES AFTER GRADUATION?**

As a graduate of the MA Philosophy Program, you'll join other alumni who have found many opportunities for ministry locally and throughout the world, such as:

- Teaching philosophy at public and private universities, colleges and high schools
- Working for ministry organizations like Campus Crusade across the world
- Founding a pro-life ministry in Stockholm, Sweden
- Starting an apologetics ministry in southern California
- Leading a church's college group or apologetics ministry in the Midwest
- Working in business while pursuing lay ministry at a church on the East Coast

### **SPIRITUAL GROWTH & DEVELOPMENT**

Talbot is committed to developing your mind and your soul, providing you with many avenues for spiritual development.

- Weekly chapels
- The Center for Spiritual Development for spiritual direction
- Family support such as the Talbot Wives Fellowship
- Our own Talbot Philosophical Society, a regular gathering of MA Philosophy students to discuss philosophical concepts and ideas
- Mentoring with faculty
- The Biola Counseling Center, through Biola's Rosemead School of Psychology

### **DOCTRINAL POSITION**

Biola's cornerstone has remained the same since it began in 1913: commitment to Jesus Christ, the inerrancy of Scripture and biblical Christianity (within an evangelical Protestant framework), as well as the spiritual, academic and holistic growth of those who are personally committed to Him.

### **CONTACT US**

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