

HJ International Graduate School for Peace and Public Leadership Newsletter

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Fall 2026 enrollment is open at HJ International Graduate School! Explore courses designed to deepen your knowledge, strengthen your leadership, and prepare you to serve communities with purpose. To watch course introductions, [click here](#).

Apply today at bit.ly/applytohji, or contact Steven Boyd, Dean of Enrollment Management, at s.boyd@hji.edu for more information.

[View Fall 2026 Courses here.](#)



HJ International
GRADUATE SCHOOL for
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JULY
30
7 PM ET

OPEN HOUSE

MAKING A DIFFERENCE:
THE VALUE OF A MASTER'S
DEGREE FROM HJI

HOST

Dr. Thomas Walsh
President

SPEAKER

Steven Boyd
Dean of Enrollment
Management & Student Life

Featuring a Student Panel!

Join HJ International Graduate School for an upcoming **Open House: Making a Difference – The Value of a Master’s Degree from HJI** on **Thursday, July 30 at 7 PM ET**.

Hosted by **Dr. Thomas Walsh**, President of HJI, with **Steven Boyd**, Dean of Enrollment Management & Student Life, this event will offer prospective students an opportunity to learn more about HJI’s master’s programs, the value of graduate study, and the meaningful difference an HJI education can make.

The evening will also feature a student panel, giving attendees a chance to hear directly from current students about their experiences, goals, and journey at HJI.

[Register to join HJI’s Open House!](#)



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Doctoral Candidate

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Application

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Course Schedule

Summer/Fall 2026 Schedule | [Download](#)

▼ Summer 2026 Courses (8 weeks, July 1 to August 21, 2026 (via Canvas))

PST 5133 Human Rights, Law and Government
Thomas Walsh

[Draft/Sample Syllabus](#)

[Introduction Video](#)



PST 5190 Peace Studies Internship

Fall 2026 Courses

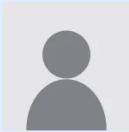
▼ Fall 2026 Asynchronous Online Courses (via Canvas)

Please make note of the day and time for synchronous courses to ensure your attendance.

EDU 5811 Research Methods
Joshua Gurtatowski
5-week course: starting September 27 until October 31, 2026



LAN 5161 Korean I
TBD



LTR 5503 Unification Worldview and Society
Thomas Ward

[Draft/Sample Syllabus](#)

[Introduction Video \(4 min.\)](#) | [Introduction Video \(9 min.\)](#)



MIN 5106 Ecumenism and Interfaith
Thomas Walsh

[Draft/Sample Syllabus](#)

[Introduction Video](#)



PST 5131 Peace and Conflict Studies
Claude Perrottet





[Draft/Sample Syllabus](#)

[Introduction Video](#)



PST 5141 Diplomacy & Faith Based Diplomacy
Drissa Kone

[Draft/Sample Syllabus](#)

[Introduction Video](#)



PST 5151 Research Methods and Analysis
Rick Swarts

[Draft/Sample Syllabus](#)

[Introduction Video](#)



PST 5304 The United Nations and Civil Society
John Koester

[Draft/Sample Syllabus](#)

[Introduction Video](#)



THE 5534 Meaning of Life
Keisuke Noda

[Draft/Sample Syllabus](#)

[Introduction Video](#)



THE 5601 Unification Theology
Theodore Shimmyo

[Draft/Sample Syllabus](#)

[Introduction Video](#)

▼ **Fall 2026 Doctoral Asynchronous Online Course (via Canvas)**



MIN 8101 Spiritual Formation and Integration
Drissa Kone



MIN 8102 Theological & Ethical Perspectives on Ministerial Leadership
Jacob David



MIN 8103 Diversity & Impact on Ministry
Dexter Honora



MIN 8104 Faith Leadership in Today's World
Franco Famularo

[Draft/Sample Syllabus](#)

[Introduction Video \(2 min.\)](#) | [Introduction Video \(4 min.\)](#)

MIN 8801 Formulating the Question

Drissa Kone

10-week course: starting August 24, ending October 31, 2026



▼ **Fall 2026 Master Synchronous Courses**

Please make note of the day and time for synchronous courses to ensure your attendance.

LTR 5131* History of Christianity I

Michael Mickler

Thursday 11:00 AM –12:20 PM | Zoom



[Draft/Sample Syllabus](#)

[Introduction Video](#)

MIN 5104* Homiletics: The Art of Preaching

Bruce Clarke

Tuesday 4:00 PM – 5:20PM | Zoom



[Draft/Sample Syllabus](#)

[Introduction Video](#)

MIN 5322* Women’s Voices in Ministry

Mika Deshotel

Wednesday 4:00 – 5:20 PM | Zoom



[Draft/Sample Syllabus](#)

[Introduction Video](#)

MIN 5803 Integration Colloquy

Drissa Kone

Day and time to be decided



MIN 5804 A Masters Colloquium

Thomas Walsh

Day and time to be decided



SCR 5141* New Testament Foundations

Andrew Wilson

Tuesday 11:00 AM – 12:20 PM | Zoom



[Draft/Sample Syllabus](#)

[Introduction Video](#)

SCR 5311* Genesis

Andrew Wilson

Thursday 2:00 – 3:20 PM | Zoom



[Draft/Sample Syllabus](#)

[Introduction Video](#)

**Flipped Class: Students watch pre-recorded lectures before the class. Class meetings (zoom) are for discussions.*

▼ Fall 2026 Doctoral Synchronous Courses

Please make note of the day and time for synchronous courses to ensure your attendance.

MIN 8803 Research Design Strategies

Jennifer Tanabe

10-week course: starting August 25, ending October 31, 2026

Tuesday 6:30 – 7:50 PM | Zoom



[Draft/Sample Syllabus](#)

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Summer Session Intensive Course

July 1 - August 21 (8 weeks)

Human Rights, Law and Government

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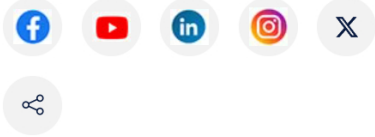
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Student Spotlight – James B. Edgerly



STUDENT
Spotlight



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What do you most appreciate about being a student at HJI?

What I most appreciate about being a student at HJI is the quality of the faculty and the excellent quality and relevance of the course content. Also, I have found the faculty to be very accessible.

Share about the benefits of your online learning experience

I have already considerably enriched the quality, depth, and breadth of the educational content of my outreach materials.

What do you enjoy in your free time?

Skiing, bluegrass music, spending time with grandchildren, and fitness.