Mission, Purposes, and Anchor Points

The mission of Taylor University is to develop servant leaders marked with a passion to minister Christ’s redemptive love and truth to a world in need.

In order to advance this mission, Taylor University is committed to the following purposes:

- To provide whole-person education, involving students in learning experiences imbued with a vital Christian interpretation of truth and life which foster their intellectual, emotional, physical, vocational, social, and spiritual development.
- To offer liberal arts, professional, and lifelong education based upon the conviction that all truth has its source in God, and that being biblically anchored, the Christian faith should permeate all learning leading to a consistent life of worship, servant leadership, stewardship, and world outreach.
- To create specific experiences wherein the integrative focus of a Christian liberal arts education is clarified, personalized, and applied.
- To contribute to the advancement of human knowledge and understanding and serve the evangelical Christian church and the larger (public) community for the glory of God.
- To foster a biblical model of relationships that acknowledges both unity and diversity of the followers of Christ within a covenant community and which can be evidenced in a continuing lifestyle of service to and concern for others.
- To maintain and foster appropriate and effective support services that enable maximum program effectiveness throughout the University.

Anchor Points

- Biblically Anchored
- Christ Centered
- Faith Learning Integrated
- Liberal Arts Grounded
- World Engaging
- Whole Person Focused
- Servant Leader Motivated

Statement of Faith

To more explicitly define the meaning of Christian higher education as used in the Articles of Incorporation, and the methods and policies by which the proposed results are to be achieved through the University or any affiliated educational institution under the control of the University, the following statements of belief and practice are set forth:

Taylor University is firmly committed to the lordship of Jesus Christ and evangelical Christianity. To ensure the central place of Christian principles in the philosophy and life of the University, the trustees, administration, faculty, and staff believe:

- There is one God, eternally existent in three persons—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit—the ultimate Creator and Sustainer of all things in heaven and on earth.
- The Holy Bible is the only inspired, authoritative written word of God, progressively revealing God’s will for humankind.
- Jesus Christ is the living Word of God who made known and carried out God’s plan of redemption through His virgin birth, sinless life, atoning death, bodily resurrection, and ascension, and who will return in power and glory.
- The Holy Spirit is present in the life of the believer, testifying to the lordship of Christ and enabling the believer to live a godly life.
- Humankind, though uniquely created in God’s image, rebelled and stands in need of redemption.
- God graciously extends salvation to anyone who comes to Christ by faith.
- The Church is the community of believers who express their unity in Christ by loving and serving Him, each other, and all people.

Implementation of the Mission and Purposes

Taylor University carries out its mission and purposes through the operation of its educational programs centered on the campus in Upland, Indiana. All Taylor University programs hold to a Christian worldview and are characterized by the integration of faith and learning.

The Upland campus serves Christian men and women in a community that consists largely of traditional and non-traditional college students living in a residential campus setting and pursuing baccalaureate and master’s level degree programs.