



## APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION

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## instructions

The following items are required in the application process:

- Application.** Complete the application form and return it to the Office of Admissions.
- Two References.** Distribute the reference forms to the appropriate persons, making sure they are returned to the Office of Admissions. One should be completed by a pastor or ministry supervisor and another by a person of your choice.
- Transcripts.** Submit all official transcripts of college and/or graduate work.

The Admissions Committee may request that you submit additional materials and/or that you interview with a representative of the Seminary.

After receiving notice of acceptance, please submit the Enrollment Agreement signed by your church/organization.

## enrollment information

Date of anticipated initial enrollment:  Jan  Feb  Mar  Apr  May  June  July  Aug  Sept  Oct  Nov  Dec  
Year \_\_\_\_\_

Have you previously studied at Grace College?  Yes  No Date(s) (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_

Have you previously studied at Grace Seminary?  Yes  No Date(s) (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_

Program Options:  Master of Arts in Local Church Ministry  Master of Divinity in General Ministry

## personal information

Last Name \_\_\_\_\_ First \_\_\_\_\_ Middle \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Country \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Permanent Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Country \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_ Place of Birth \_\_\_\_\_ Country of Citizenship \_\_\_\_\_

Social Security Number \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Sex:  Male  Female Marital Status (mark all that apply):  Single  Married  Engaged  
 Widowed  Separated  Divorced

Spouse's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Name(s) of Child(ren), sex(es), and date(s) of birth \_\_\_\_\_

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Ethnic Background: (optional)  Native American  Asian  African American  Hispanic  Caucasian

### church information

Name of Church \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_  
Denomination \_\_\_\_\_ Length of Membership (years) \_\_\_\_\_ Church Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

### educational experience

The applicant must request the registrar of each college, university, and seminary from which a degree has been or will be granted to forward an official transcript to the Office of Seminary Admissions. If the program of study has not yet been completed, another transcript must be filed after the conclusion of current studies. List all schools attended since high school graduation in \_\_\_\_\_(year):

School	Location	Degree/Major	Graduation Year
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

Have you ever been refused admission to, or been dismissed from, a seminary or other graduate school?  No  Yes  
(If yes, please attach statement of details.)

### christian service experience

Please indicate your most relevant teaching, administrative, pastoral, youth, music, Christian education, or missionary service:

Organization	Location	Position	Dates
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

### christian life and goals

Describe how you have practiced self-management skills in regard to carrying out your responsibilities.

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In what ways have you been a self-starter?

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As you reflect upon your past, in what circumstances have you needed structures and/or continuous support in order to function effectively?

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Does the opportunity for rigorous, self-paced learning appeal to you?

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Provide examples of when you have independently found solutions to completing a task so that you were able to complete the task.

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Describe your sense of call and your sense of direction to enter a ministry vocation.

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Anticipated ministry:       Pastor                       Youth Minister                       Missionary  
    Other \_\_\_\_\_

### doctrinal statement

**(Please sign one of the following)**

I have read the doctrinal statement in the Seminary Catalog, and my convictions are in agreement with the doctrines stated in it.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_

I have read the doctrinal statement in the Seminary Catalog, and my convictions are essentially in agreement with the doctrines stated in it. I have elaborated any differences on a separate piece of paper and included it with this application.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_

### lifestyle commitment

Please read the following statement thoughtfully before signing:

Members of the Grace College and Seminary (Grace Schools) community are committed to the mission of the institution and to living in a manner that brings glory to the name of our Lord. To this end we agree to uphold the standards of the community as cited in this statement.

Since members of the Grace Schools community are also members of the broader community of the body of Jesus Christ, it is expected that everything we do will reflect our commitment, both to our Lord and to His body of believers. This commitment is to be demonstrated by faithful involvement in a local evangelical church, Christian loyalty to each other, and pursuit of the fruit of the Spirit – love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control.

Our beliefs on all topics are based on scripture (2 Timothy 3:16); therefore, the Word of God is the final authority on all matters of faith and conduct. Members of the Grace Schools community work hard to demonstrate Christ-like attitudes and actions appropriate for mature Christians in their personal lives and in the life of the community. In seeking to live out the fruit of the Spirit (Galatians 5:22-23) rather than deeds of the flesh (Galatians 5:19-21), items expressly forbidden in the Scripture are not acceptable for members of the Grace Schools community. Examples include pride, greed, lust, slander, drunkenness, profane language, premarital sex, adultery, homosexual behavior, and prejudice (1 Corinthians 6:9-11). We affirm the holy institution of marriage as being between one man and one woman, rooted as it is in God's creation of man and woman and in the relationship of Christ and his church.

Grace Schools values the worth and dignity of human life. Having been made in the image of God (Genesis 1:27), those who learn, live, and/or work at the institution are expected to respect and uphold life-affirming practices that distinguish our faith community from other institutions of higher education, particularly for those who are vulnerable members of society. Consistent with a resolution of the Fellowship of Grace Brethren Churches (1982, 1996), Grace Schools believes that human life is worthy of respect and protection at all stages from the time of conception. The sanctity of human life is established by creation (Genesis 1:26-27), social protection (Genesis 9:6) and redemption (John 3:16).



## lifestyle commitment continued

Although Scripture does not provide specific teaching regarding all social practices in a given cultural setting, it does speak to our Christian responsibility in areas of conduct that may be harmful or spiritually offensive to ourselves or to others. In keeping with its objectives to develop moral and spiritual leadership, Grace Schools expects members of the community to demonstrate restraint and discretion in entertainment choices, social activities, and personal habits (Galatians 5:13-23), including substances that may harm our physiological and psychological well-being. Without question, the Christian should act in ways that honor the body, which is the temple of the Holy Spirit (Romans 12:1), and God's standard of purity; are morally uplifting; and guide us to godliness through the use of spiritual disciplines including scripture reading, study, and application; prayer; worship; meditation; evangelism; serving; and stewardship.

All of us have sinned and fallen short of God's standards in one way or another (Romans 3:23), but if we ask for His forgiveness, His grace and mercy are extended to us (Ephesians 2:4-5). While recognizing the existence of temptation, sin, and lifestyles that are contrary to biblical truth, Grace Schools expects tangible evidence of life transformation, commitment to growth in Christ, and sound judgment based on biblical principles. Jesus was full of grace and truth (John 1:14) and, in striving toward His example, we seek as a spiritual community to demonstrate a balance of both.

As a community of believers, therefore, those at Grace Schools strive to carry out both individually and collectively the model for conflict management and resolution described in Romans. We make use of biblically-based practices such as arbitration, mediation, grace, restoration, forgiveness, and redemption to live at peace with each other (Romans 12: 16-21) and strive to resolve disagreements in private or within the Christian community using the biblical principles of 1 Corinthians 6:1-8, Matthew 5:23-34, and Matthew 18:15-20 as guidelines.

We acknowledge that God has placed institutions and individuals in positions of authority over Christians and our biblical response is one of submission (Romans 13:1-8). God and His word are our final authority and give us guidance in areas such as relationships, marriage, the church, human government, spiritual leaders, and employers. Our testimony in these matters of authority is powerful when our actions are based on biblical truth rather than individual gain. Our responsibility as citizens is submission, but we also have rights as citizens to protection; therefore, although there may be competing interests, we value the right to appeal decisions based on our biblically-informed conscience (Acts 5:29). Grace Schools, however, recognizes and supports only those individual and campus advocacy initiatives that are in alignment with biblical teaching as outlined in this Statement on Community Lifestyle Expectations and our Covenant of Faith.

Above all, we the members of the Grace Schools community are committed to accurately representing the Lord Jesus Christ on our campus, in our community, and to the ends of the earth.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

## influencing factors

What are the significant factors that influenced your choice of Grace Theological Seminary?

Please check all that apply and specify which one, who, or what, as needed.

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| <input type="radio"/> Advertising (specify) _____          | <input type="radio"/> Alumnus (who?) _____     |
| <input type="radio"/> CE National Programs (specify) _____ | <input type="radio"/> Church/Pastor _____      |
| <input type="radio"/> College Fair (where?) _____          | <input type="radio"/> Letters from Grace _____ |
| <input type="radio"/> Institutional Reputation _____       | <input type="radio"/> Campus Visit _____       |
| <input type="radio"/> Relative (who?) _____                | <input type="radio"/> Current Student(s) _____ |
| <input type="radio"/> Other (specify) _____                | <input type="radio"/> Calls from Grace _____   |
| <input type="radio"/> Web site _____                       |  |

personal testimony

Have you personally accepted Jesus Christ as your Lord and Savior?  Yes  No

If yes, please describe your relationship with Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord. Describe how and when that relationship began and the influences that are contributing to your spiritual development. Use separate sheet of paper if needed.

Horizontal lines for writing a personal testimony.

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