

Grace Theological Seminary
Educational Effectiveness Report
2014-2015

Educational effectiveness data is provided for the following ATS accredited seminary degrees: M.A. in Local Church Ministry, M.A. in Intercultural Studies, Master of Divinity, Doctor of Intercultural Studies, and Doctor of Ministry Studies.

	2009-10	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15
Enrollment	120	114	111	132	134	124
Graduates	45	36	25	36	36	25
Avg Completion Rate	86%	75%	77%	75%	65%	66%
Job Placement			75%	84%	89%	92%

Mission:

Grace Theological Seminary is a learning community dedicated to teaching, training and transforming the whole person for local church and global ministry. This purpose is accomplished through quality instruction in biblical literature, including the original languages, the study of various systems of theological thought, exposure to past and present movements in Christian history and missions, the development of communicative and administrative skills, the cultivation of spiritual life, and encouragement in various kinds of Christian service. The objective is to provide pastors, teachers, missionaries, evangelists and other leaders for evangelical Christian ministries throughout the world.

Current students and graduates of Grace Theological Seminary reported high degrees of satisfaction with their training for ministry. Some of the most important aspects of their education included the quality of instructors, faculty-student interaction, and student-student interaction. Many who were surveyed reported that their critical thinking skills and spiritual life were positively affected by their educational involvement at Grace.

Areas of highest satisfaction include:

1. Instructors exemplify a deep faith commitment
2. Instructors exemplify professionalism in the classroom
3. The education that I am receiving is a valuable investment of my time
4. I am learning valuable principles that apply to my chosen field
5. My educational experiences are relevant to my current ministry
6. Instructors demonstrate expert knowledge and depth of insight
7. Assignments are personally challenging and encourage critical thinking

We continue to be committed to strengthening the next generation of leaders, equipping them to love God and love others.

Completion Rate and Job Placement:

Grace Theological Seminary desires that students graduate in a timely way and are competent to perform the skills that are part of effective ministry in order to be ambassadors in the world for God's great love.

Current students and graduates of Grace Theological Seminary report great satisfaction with their ability to schedule classes and work with academic advisors in order to complete their degree in a timely way. Sixty-four percent of respondents were employed within six months of graduating from Grace Theological Seminary (35% were employed for the first time in church related positions). A smaller portion of our students (17%) indicated that they are pursuing foreign missions.