

INTENT TO APPLY
TO
CENTRAL BAPTIST THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY OF VIRGINIA BEACH

I have received my application packet and I do intend to complete and return it.

I plan to enroll for the following term:

- _____ Fall 2010
- _____ Summer 2011
- _____ Fall 2011
- _____ Other _____

I plan to enroll in the following program:

- _____ Master of Biblical Studies (MBS)
- _____ Master of Biblical Studies Online (MBS)
- _____ Master of Biblical Studies for Chaplaincy (MBSC)
- _____ Master of Divinity (MDIV)
- _____ Master of Theology (THM)
- _____ Audit
- _____ Special

Applicant: _____

Street: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Home Phone: _____

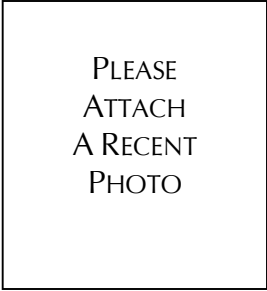
Cell Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

Central Baptist Theological Seminary of Virginia Beach

APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION

Date of Application: _____ Date Expected to Enter Seminary: _____
Birth date: _____ Birth place: _____ Age: _____
Social Security Number: _____ V.A. File Number (if applicable): _____
Legal Name: _____
Last First Middle
Preferred First Name (if different than above): _____
Present Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
Permanent Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
Email Address(es): _____
Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____ Work/School Phone: _____



Marital Status (please circle one): Single Engaged Married Widowed Divorced
(For former marriage of self or spouse, give particulars.)
If married, list spouse's name and name(s) and age(s) of children: (Spouse): _____
(Child): _____ (Child): _____
(Child): _____ (Child): _____

Parents (or persons to be notified in an emergency): _____
Name: _____ Are parents Christians? _____
Address: _____
Phone Number: _____ Members of what church? _____

Church Relationships

Date and place where you were saved: _____
Of what church are you a member? _____
Are you ordained? _____ When? _____ By whom? _____

Previous Education

College: _____ Address: _____
Dates attended: _____ Date graduated: _____ Degree Program: _____
College: _____ Address: _____
Dates attended: _____ Date graduated: _____ Degree Program: _____
Other: _____ Address: _____
Dates attended: _____ Date graduated: _____ Degree Program: _____

If you have been, or are now, in a post-college course of study, are you in good standing and acceptable at that school? _____
If no, give a detailed explanation on a *separate sheet of paper*. If no college work was undertaken, list the high school(s) attended.

Conversion and Call: Write a one page account of your conversion and call to the ministry. Please submit it with your application.

Christian Service: Please write one page describing your opportunities of service, experience, and ministry to the body of Christ and include it with your application.

For what type of work do you believe the Lord would have you train? _____

In what program and for what degree do you plan to study at CBTS? _____

List any special attainments or accomplishments (literary, leadership, musical, etc.): _____

Signature of Applicant:

By signing this application, the applicant agrees to abide by the policies of the Seminary if accepted as a student, and willingly uphold the spirit and intent of all student life expectations and the student code of conduct. CBTS does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national or ethnic origin in regard to its educational policies, admissions procedures, and scholarship programs.

Signature

Date

APPLICANT'S CHECKLIST

I have completed and sent the following to its appropriate location:

- _____ Intent to Apply (Send to Central)
- _____ Application for Admission (Send to Central)
- _____ Recent Photograph (attached to page 1; Send to Central)
- _____ \$45 Application Fee (non-refundable and must accompany application; Send to Central)
- _____ Conversion and Call Statement (Send to Central)
- _____ Christian Service Statement (Send to Central)
- _____ GRE Scores (if available) (Send to Central)
- _____ Four completed reference forms (Provided to each reference with an envelope addressed to Central)
- _____ Church Endorsement Home (Not required if licensed or ordained; Submit to church official)
- _____ Transcript Requests for each of the post-high school institutions you have attended. Diploma students should request a high school diploma or GED record if no college work was completed (Submit to University or Seminary)
- _____ Interview

A personal interview with the Academic Dean and the President of CBTS is an integral part of the application process. Please list below three dates and times which would be convenient for you to schedule this interview.

Date: _____ Time: _____
Date: _____ Time: _____
Date: _____ Time: _____

Return Application to:

Office of the Registrar
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2221 Centerville Turnpike
Virginia Beach, VA 23464
Phone: (757) 479-3706
Fax: (757) 479-4232
Info@baptistseminary.edu

PASTORAL REFERENCE

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- _____ I have known the applicant for _____ years.
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AREAS OF COMPETENCY

Please indicate by a letter your opinion of the applicant with regard to the trait mentioned, as compared with other students you have known, or whose work you have observed.

P – Poor A – Average G – Good S – Superior N – Not able to judge

CLARITY OF GOALS

- _____ Demonstrates clear-cut and worthy ministry goals?
- _____ Has a clear sense of direction in pursuit of goals?
- _____ Has the support of his or her spouse?

INDUSTRY

- _____ Demonstrates the effort necessary to achieve goals?
- _____ Expend effort and energy wisely?

ABILITY TO FACE REALITY

- _____ Foresees and face problems realistically and objectively?
- _____ Approaches problems in a constructive manner?
- _____ Accepts well-meant criticism and use it constructively?

ABILITY TO THINK CRITICALLY

- _____ Shows insight in identifying problems?
- _____ Selects and utilize relevant resources in solving problems?
- _____ Shows responsibility in money matters (credit management, etc.)?

INTERPERSONAL RELATIONSHIPS

- _____ Participates willingly and effectively as a member of a group?
- _____ Recognizes and accomplishes tasks which need to be done?

GENERAL IMPRESSION

- _____ Generally acceptable in social appearance?
- _____ Socially acceptable in personal habits?
- _____ Well accepted by associates?
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SKILL IN COMMUNICATION

- _____ Speaks clearly and effectively?
- _____ Expresses ideas clearly in writing?
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PERSONAL AND INTELLECTUAL INTEGRITY

- _____ Appraises strengths and weaknesses objectively and accurately?
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EVALUATION OF SPOUSE

- _____ Is the spouse suited to be a helper in the ministry?
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GENERAL EVALUATION

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CHURCH ENDORSEMENT POLICY

The Necessity of Church Endorsement

As a church based theological seminary Central Baptist Theological Seminary of Virginia Beach is a servant of the overall goals and mission of the local church (Matt 28:19-20; 2 Tim 2:2). Central is not merely a degree granting academy; however, we are eager to train the highest quality candidate from local churches for the purpose of sharpening their focus and skills on evangelism, the Text, the local church, and a grace philosophy of ministry. In the larger body of Christ, Central Seminary was organized as an independent Baptist seminary to train men and women for ministry in independent Baptist churches with a dispensational hermeneutic.

Prospective seminary students must be endorsed by their local church to be eligible for study at the seminary. The concept of church endorsement is based upon a collection of biblical principles that give the local church place and priority in New Testament ministry and ministry preparation (Acts 13:1-5; Ephesians 4).

When a church endorses a student for theological study the church is affirming the fitness of the prospective student for ministry preparation. In other words, the church and its leadership discern character qualities (1 Timothy 3; Titus 1), perhaps in incipient form, that are essential for ministry. These character qualities are the result of a submission to the Holy Spirit of God, a life of high moral standards, and a genuine appetite for spiritual truth. In order for the church to offer this kind of endorsement, the church should have a history of personal involvement with the prospective student, which, must in this case be a minimum of six months.

Second, when a church endorses a student it is affirming the doctrinal integrity of the prospective student for ministry preparation. At this point in the student's life the local church and the student must embrace in good conscience the Trinity of God, the deity of Christ, salvation by faith alone based upon the finished work of Christ, the death, burial, and bodily resurrection of Jesus Christ, the inspiration, inerrancy, and sufficiency of the Scriptures, and the literal return of Jesus Christ.

Third, when a church endorses a student it is affirming that it will remain as actively involved as possible in the academic and spiritual life of the student.

Fourth, when a church endorses a student it is acknowledging the missional objectives of the seminary and it is expressing a willingness to support those objectives during the student's enrollment.

Church Endorsement Policies

In the event that a student does not have an endorsing church and because of CBTS's commitment to the primacy of the local church, the student has two options.

1. The student could join a local church in the area of his current residence and serve there for six months, secure a church endorsement, and then make application to seminary.
2. The student could move to the Virginia Beach area and join Colonial Baptist Church of Virginia Beach. After six months the student may request a church endorsement and then make application to seminary. Since special situations may merit consideration, the prospective student can appeal to the Seminary Dean who will consult with the Admissions Committee (President, Academic Dean, Faculty Member, and Executive Committee of the Seminary Board).

Once the student is accepted and enrolled in a program at Central he or she will have one semester to join a local church. Students will report local church membership and ministry involvement to their faculty advisor annually in keeping with the Field Ministry guidelines.

In the event that a current student chooses to join a church whose doctrine and practice differs from the endorsing church the student must take the following steps.

1. The student must consult with his endorsing church and secure in writing approval for the desired church affiliation. The letter approving the membership situation must come from the pastor and the leadership of the endorsing church.
2. If the endorsing church is unwilling to approve of the student's desired church affiliation the church could release the student from the accountability of the endorsement. A letter of release must be issued by the pastor and the church leadership and included in the student's file.
3. Once the student is released from the accountability of his endorsing church, the student must secure a new church endorsement in accord with the endorsement concept and policy. Students will not be permitted to register for classes for six months until the church endorsement process is completed.

CHURCH ENDORSEMENT

Applicant:

I willingly waive my right of access to see this recommendation knowing that this waiver is not required as a condition for acceptance.

Applicant Signature: _____ Please print or type your name: _____

Church Official:

Please read the attached church endorsement policy before completing the following section:

At a meeting of _____ Church, in the city of _____

held this date of _____ the church (or board) endorsed the above member by vote as a

candidate for training for Christian ministry. The church (or Board) believes this candidate to be a true Christian; spiritually, morally, and intellectually equipped for Christian ministry.

Church Officer Signature: _____ Date: _____

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TRANSCRIPT REQUEST FORM FOR SEMINARY AND COLLEGE RECORDS

Complete both Part I and Part II and mail to the school from which you are requesting records.

PART I

STUDENT REQUESTING TRANSCRIPT:

Student ID / SSN: _____ Date: _____

Name: _____
Last First Middle/Maiden

Mailing Address _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone number: _____ E-mail Address: _____

If no, what is the date of the last semester you attended? _____

To the Registrar:

Complete name of college, university or seminary

Mailing Address _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Please send a copy of my transcript to the following:

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Signature: _____ Date: _____

PART II

College or seminary should detach PART II of this form and attach it to the official transcript to be sent to Central Baptist Theological Seminary of Virginia Beach.

Name: _____
Last First Middle/Maiden

Mailing Address _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Degree Received: _____ Graduation Date: _____ Major: _____

I have applied to Central for the: Summer _____ Fall _____ Spring _____