



# Admission Application Packet

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# Application Instructions

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**THIS IS A SELF-MANAGED APPLICATION.** You control the gathering and submitting of all credentials necessary to complete your application. Please collect all required documentation and submit it to Dallas Theological Seminary, 3909 Swiss Ave., Dallas, TX 75204 in a single, oversized envelope along with a nonrefundable \$75 application fee payable to DTS. (The fee includes processing of the application and a personal background investigation.)

These instructions are designed to answer some of the questions commonly asked about applying for admission. If you have questions that are not answered by these instructions or the DTS Catalog, please call the Admissions Office at 800-992-0998 or 214-841-3661.

Before applying you should first read the DTS Catalog for admission procedures and for information regarding your degree program of interest. Applicants who are not U.S. residents should read the International Students section.

Applicants for the Certificate of Graduate Studies and for nondegree status have special instructions in Sections 5 and 11 (following) with reduced documentation required. Applicants to the Doctor of Ministry program should complete the D.Min. application available from the Admissions Office.

The application and supporting materials should be submitted no earlier than 15 months before the date of anticipated enrollment.

All application items must be received in the Admissions Office no later than the following dates:

**Master's Programs**

Fall Semester, July 1

Wintersession/Spring Semester, November 1

Summer Session, April 1

**Ph.D. Program**

Summer & Fall, January 1

Winter & Spring, September 1

We encourage you to apply at least four to eight months before your expected enrollment date. Applications may be submitted after the deadline but will be considered and processed as time allows. To apply for scholarships, your application must be approved by May 1 for the fall semester and November 1 for the spring semester. (See the Scholarship section of the Catalog for more details on the required submission dates.) International students must have all application items submitted by November 1 for the upcoming fall semester in order to qualify for an International Student Scholarship. International student scholarships are awarded once a year in December for the upcoming academic school year.

The following instructions correspond to the specified sections of the application for admission.

## 1. PERSONAL IDENTIFICATION

Please help us to identify you by name and location. If you are currently a student, please give your school address and phone, and indicate the dates during which we can reach you at that address in the spaces for "present mailing address from \_\_\_ to \_\_\_."

## 2. COURSE OF STUDY

You should select the course of study that best aligns with your ministry goals and your purposes for coming to Dallas Seminary. Applicants without the prerequisite college degree must be exceptionally qualified and can only be considered for professional preparation degree programs or the Certificate of Graduate Studies. Professional preparation programs include the Th.M., M.A./BC, M.A./BEL, M.A./CE, M.A./CL, M.A./MC, and M.A./CM programs.

All of our degree programs are available at the Dallas campus. You'll be happy to know we offer many of the same classes at multiple locations. At all sites\* you can earn the 30-hour Certificate of Graduate Studies (C.G.S.), the 62-hour Master of Arts in Biblical Studies (M.A.[BS]), or the new 62-hour Master of Arts in Christian Leadership (M.A./CL). Courses also count toward any of the other graduate degree programs. The DTS Houston campus offers those degrees as well as the Master of Theology (Th.M.), Master of Arts in Cross-cultural Ministries (M.A./CM), and Master of Arts in Christian Education (M.A./CE).

If you apply for another degree program and plan to enroll at an extension site, you will need to come to the Dallas campus for at least half of your program. We also offer a limited number of online courses. (\*Knoxville & Washington, D.C., pending final ATS approval)

## 3. ACADEMIC BACKGROUND

Your application must include official transcripts of your work at every college and university where you completed (or will have completed) 12 or more semester hours. This includes, but is not limited to, schools from which you transferred work to earn a degree at another school.

You should request that official transcripts be sent to the Admissions Office. You may use the Request for Academic



Transcript form in this application packet for this purpose. Your signature is mandatory. A school cannot send your official transcript without your signature on the request. If you have attended more than one school, photocopy the form and send one to each school. Some schools charge a fee for providing a transcript.

#### 4. ASSESSMENT TEST

##### *Master's Degree Applicants*

The Graduate Record Exam (GRE) or the Miller Analogies Test (MAT) is required for admission to Dallas Seminary for applicants who lack a bachelor's degree from a regionally or ABHE accredited college or university (or TRACS accredited since 2001). The GRE is also required for anyone who earned less than a cumulative 2.5 grade point average on a 4.0 scale. Consult the Catalog for details on registering to take an assessment test. If you plan to submit GRE or MAT scores, please let the Admissions Office know when you have arranged to take the exam.

##### *Ph.D. Applicants*

Once you have submitted your application materials, you will need to take a Personality Inventory test through our Counseling Services department. This test must be taken before your application can be considered by the Ph.D. Studies Committee.

The inventory consists of 331 questions and will take about 1.5 hours to complete. If you are married, your spouse will also be asked to complete the inventory, because ministry involves a commitment of both partners of the marital relationship. The applicant and his or her spouse must take this test at DTS. However, if you live outside the Dallas area, you may take the inventory by proctor.

After completion, the director of Counseling Services will score and evaluate the inventory. A personal interview is not necessary unless requested by the director of Counseling Services.

If a follow-up interview is requested, you will be notified and there will be no charge for the review of the inventory results. If an interview request is not made and you desire to review the results, there will be a charge of \$20 for a forty-five-minute session.

The cost of the Personality Inventory is \$60 for an individual and \$72 for a couple. Please contact the director of Counseling Services at 214-841-3789 for information about taking this test.

#### 5. REFERENCES

You must list three people who know you well and have agreed to serve as references for you. One of your references should be from your pastor or a person in a position of spiritual oversight over you. If you are in school or recently graduated, the second reference should be from one of your professors. If you are out of school, the second reference should be from your employer or a business associate. We ask that your references not be related to you such as a parent, parent-in-law, or brother-in-law, etc. For nondegree and Certificate of Graduate Studies applicants, only two reference forms are required, one being from your pastor.

Your self-managed application requires you to distribute and collect the attached reference forms. You should first complete the top of each form where you print your name and address. With the reference form, give your reference a self-addressed, stamped, security-style business envelope and ask him or her to complete the form, seal it in the envelope, sign across the envelope flap, and send it back to you. When you receive the returned reference form, do not open it but submit it with your other application materials.

#### 6. CHURCH RELATIONSHIP

Preparation for Christian ministry is nurtured in the local church before seminary study. Ask your church to write a letter: (1) confirming membership or regular participation in good standing, (2) endorsing your potential for effective ministry, and (3) confirming the length of time and description of your involvement in ministries of the church. This letter is in addition to the pastoral reference requested above, although both could be completed by your pastor.

Although some applicants may not be planning on vocational ministry, ministry involvement and potential for ministry in general are still criteria considered in admission evaluation.

As with the references (see above), the church should send the statement to you with the church official's signature across the flap, and you should submit it unopened with your application.

#### 7. PERSONAL STATUS

Please specify your marital status, your sex, your spouse's name, and whether or not you or your spouse have been divorced. If you are engaged, substitute "fiancé" or "fiancée" for "spouse" throughout this section.

If either you or your spouse has been divorced please submit a statement discussing each occurrence. The fact that you have been divorced does not mean you will not be admitted. However, the Admissions Committee must understand the situation(s) in order to evaluate your readiness for seminary study and future ministry. For each divorce, please discuss when and why it occurred (including contributing causes), counseling which may have taken place before the divorce, who filed for the divorce, attempts at reconciliation, the resolution, including the status of children from the marriage, your view of biblical teaching on divorce and remarriage, and how you feel the divorce may affect your future ministry.

If you are presently separated, please contact the director of Admissions.

**8. CITIZENSHIP**

Please specify your citizenship status. International students who plan to attend Dallas Seminary on a student visa (F-1 or J-1) will be asked, after being provisionally accepted, to document their source(s) of financial support for their first 18 months of study.

**9. ENGLISH PROFICIENCY**

The demonstration of English proficiency is required of all applicants for whom English is not the native or birth language. This applies even if the applicant is a United States citizen, has attended American or English-speaking colleges and universities, and is a longtime resident of English-speaking countries.

Consult the Catalog for details on registering to take these English proficiency tests. If you need to submit English proficiency scores and have not already made plans to take the required tests, you should make these plans before applying.

**10. BIOGRAPHICAL FACTS ABOUT THE APPLICANT**

Attach two statements: your conversion and your ministry direction. The remaining questions may be answered on the application form. If you prefer to submit a separate personal statement covering all areas requested in this section, you may do so. Please sign your statements.

**• Salvation experience**

Please attach a statement about your saving faith in Christ. Please state what a person must do to receive eternal life and when you took that step. (Please limit your statement to one to two pages in length: 500 words.)

**• Potential and direction for ministry**

Please attach a signed statement (limit one to two pages in length: 500 words) describing the following areas: (1) your conviction about the Lord's leading you into ministry, (2) the area of ministry in which you are planning to serve, and (3) how Dallas Seminary can help you reach these goals.

Please list the Christian service/ministry activities in which you have served, including dates, type of ministry involvement, and church/organization.

**• Employment and leadership experience**

Provide short answers that will enable the Admissions Committee to evaluate your experience and leadership in Christian ministry and in your employment. Please include dates of employment where applicable.

**• Health, financial, and personal information**

Regarding your finances, the Admissions Committee is concerned that you have realistically "counted the cost" of attending Dallas Seminary.

**11. SPOUSE'S OR FIANCÉ'S/FIANCÉE'S INFORMATION STATEMENT**

Please ask your present or future spouse to prepare a statement of his or her saving faith in Christ, when he or she took that step, and his or her support for your plans for your seminary studies. Your spouse should sign the statement. If you are a non-degree or Certificate of Graduate Studies applicant, this statement is not required.

**12. LIFESTYLE COMMITMENT**

Please affirm your commitment to the Seminary's Standards of Conduct for students as stated in this section.

**13. DOCTRINAL QUALIFICATIONS**

Please affirm your adherence to these specific doctrines. If you have questions about these doctrines that are not clarified by our Doctrinal Statement in the back of the Catalog or online at [www.dts.edu/aboutdts](http://www.dts.edu/aboutdts), please contact the Admissions Office.

**INCOMING STUDENT INFORMATION**

This information will not be considered when the Admissions Committee evaluates your application. We need this information for statistical reporting purposes and to get to know you better and "link" you into the Seminary family after acceptance. If you prefer, you may submit this information after you have been accepted.

**STUDENT FINANCIAL SERVICES**

Our student Financial Services Office has information about student loans and a monthly payment plan (Tuition Management System). To apply for need-based scholarships, you must first be fully accepted as a student. Upon acceptance, scholarship information can be found at [www.dts.edu/financialaid](http://www.dts.edu/financialaid).

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Dallas Theological Seminary is accredited by the Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (1866 Southern Ln., Decatur, Georgia 30033-4097; phone 404-679-4501) to award master's and doctoral degrees. The Seminary is also an accredited member of the Association of Theological Schools in the United States and Canada (ATS), 10 Summit Park Dr., Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15275-1103; phone 800-367-8250.

Dallas Theological Seminary is certified to operate in the state of Virginia by the State Council of Higher Education for Virginia. Classes meet at McLean Bible Church, (Prince William Campus), 10002 Battleview Parkway, Manassas, VA 20109.

Dallas Theological Seminary has received a Letter of Exemption from Certification issued by the Arkansas Department of Higher Education to offer non-academic or church-related courses and grant non-academic awards or church-related degrees. DTS is also authorized for operation as a postsecondary educational institution by the Tennessee Higher Education Commission. Classes meet at Tusculum College (Knoxville Regional Center), 1305 Centerpoint Blvd., Knoxville, TN 37932-1961.



# Application for Admission

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## 1. PERSONAL IDENTIFICATION

_____ LAST OR FAMILY NAME		_____ FIRST NAME		_____ MIDDLE NAME	
_____ INTERNATIONALS: PASSPORT SURNAME		_____ FIRST NAME ADDED BY PARENTS		_____ OTHER NAMES ADDED BY PARENTS	
_____ SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER		_____ NAME YOU GO BY		_____ ANY PREVIOUS LAST NAMES (This allows us to locate your records.)	
_____ PRESENT MAILING ADDRESS		FROM: ____/____/____ TO ____/____/____		_____ HOME PHONE	
_____ PERMANENT MAILING ADDRESS		_____ PHONE		_____ WORK PHONE (if we can contact you there)	
_____ EMAIL ADDRESS		_____ CELL PHONE		_____ PLACE OF BIRTH	

WHERE DO YOU CONSIDER YOUR HOMETOWN TO BE? \_\_\_\_\_

## 2. COURSE OF STUDY

**Note: The Doctor of Ministry degree uses a different application form; please contact the Admissions Office.**

### Check program:

- Th.M.** (Ministry emphasis selected once a student. See [www.dts.edu/thm](http://www.dts.edu/thm))
- M.A. in Biblical Counseling** Note: Admission to the Biblical Counseling program is a two-stage process. Stage 1 admits the student into the program. Continuing to Stage 2 requires the completion of prerequisite M.A./BC courses as well as an interview with M.A./BC faculty.
- M.A. in Biblical Exegesis and Linguistics**
- M.A. in Christian Education** (Ministry track and concentration required): \_\_\_\_\_
- M.A. in Cross-cultural Ministries**
- M.A. in Christian Leadership**
- M.A. in Media and Communication** Area of interest:  Presentation (radio, video, speaking)  Writing & Journalism  
 Worship Leading
- M.A. (Biblical Studies)**
- S.T.M.** (M.Div. prerequisite) Major Dept: \_\_\_\_\_
- Certificate of Graduate Studies**
- Nondegree** Note: For C.G.S. and nondegree programs, refer to the application instructions for special procedures.
- Ph.D.** Check major:  Theological Studies  Biblical Studies:  O.T.  N.T.  Bible Exposition  
What prerequisite degree have or will you earn?  3 year M.Div.  4 year Th.M.  
You will need to submit a copy of your master's level thesis or research paper to the Admissions Office in order to complete your application.

At what school did you write your thesis/research paper?

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### For Admissions Office Use Only

	<input type="radio"/> \$75 Fee _____
	Initials _____
	Photo _____
	Add. Info _____
	ID _____



When do you plan to begin your studies? Check one. (The application deadline for the Master's programs is two months before classes begin.)

- Fall Semester 20\_\_\_\_ (begins at the end of August; application deadline is July 1 for Masters applicants and January 1 for Ph.D. applicants)
- Wintersession 20\_\_\_\_ (begins just after Christmas; application deadline is November 1)
- Spring Semester 20\_\_\_\_ (begins mid-January; application deadline is November 1 for Masters applicants and September 1 for Ph.D. applicants)
- Summer School 20\_\_\_\_ (sessions begin mid-May through mid-July; application deadline is April 1)

Where do you plan to begin classes? (Check one)

- Dallas
- Houston
- Atlanta
- Austin
- Knoxville
- San Antonio
- Tampa area
- Washington, D.C.
- Online

Have you applied to Dallas Seminary before?  Yes  No

If yes, when? \_\_\_\_\_

If an alumnus or former DTS student, when were you enrolled?

\_\_\_\_\_

**3. ACADEMIC BACKGROUND**

For each school attended beyond high school, give:

School Name, City & Country	Attended from/to	Degree or diploma	Year degree was/will be received	Check if fewer than 12 hours completed
_____	_____	_____	_____	<input type="radio"/>
_____	_____	_____	_____	<input type="radio"/>
_____	_____	_____	_____	<input type="radio"/>
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Did you graduate from High School in the United States?  Yes  No

Please request that an official transcript be sent to the Admissions Office. Use the Request for Academic Transcript form for this purpose.

You need not send a transcript from a school where you took less than 12 semester hours.

Have you ever been expelled or suspended by any school?  Yes  No

Are you under any kind of disciplinary action or pending action by any school?  Yes  No

If you answered yes to either question, attach a statement describing the situation.

**4. ASSESSMENT TEST**

Master's Applicants: To the best of your understanding:

- a. Have you received a bachelor's degree?  Yes  No  
If not, when do you anticipate receiving the degree? \_\_\_\_\_
- b. Is the school that awarded you the degree accredited by a generally recognized regional accreditation agency?  
 Yes  No
- c. Is your cumulative grade point average (a combined calculation from all schools) above 2.5 on a 4.0 scale?  
 Yes  No

If you answered "no" to any of the above questions, you should arrange to take an assessment test, either the Graduate Record Exam (GRE) or the Miller Analogies Test (MAT), before applying. See the Catalog for details. Contact the Admissions Office for a bulletin on either test.

I took or plan to take the  GRE  MAT on \_\_\_\_\_.

Ph.D. Applicants: Is the school that awarded your qualifying master's degree accredited by a generally recognized accreditation agency?

(A Personality Inventory is required for you and your spouse. Contact our Counseling Office for more information: 214-841-3789.)



**5. REFERENCES**

Please complete the top portion of each reference form and request each of your references to complete and return it to you in a sealed envelope with his or her signature across the flap. The first reference should be from your pastor/spiritual mentor or from a ministry leader who has had spiritual supervision over you. If you are a college student, the second reference should be from one of your professors. If you are out of college, the second reference should be from an employer or a business associate. If the suggested references do not know you well, you may use other references. However, one of your references must be from your pastor/spiritual mentor or from a ministry leader who has had spiritual supervision over you. Note: Reference forms should not be completed by someone who is related to you by birth or marriage.

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**NAME OF PASTORAL REFERENCE** POSITION PHONE

\_\_\_\_\_  
ADDRESS (include zip code) EMAIL

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**NAME OF EDUCATIONAL OR PROFESSIONAL REFERENCE** POSITION PHONE

\_\_\_\_\_  
ADDRESS (include zip code) EMAIL

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**NAME OF REFERENCE** (not required for C.G.S. or nondegree applicants) POSITION PHONE

\_\_\_\_\_  
ADDRESS (include zip code) EMAIL

**6. CHURCH RELATIONSHIP**

Please request a letter from the official board of your church stating (1) that you are a member or participant in good standing, (2) that you are endorsed by them as having promise for effective ministry, and (3) confirming the length of time and description of your involvement. You may use the Validation of Church Relationship form to make this request. The letter should be sent back to you in a sealed envelope with the church official's signature across the sealed flap.

Name of local church where you are a member or in current fellowship (give name and location):

\_\_\_\_\_

With what ecclesiastical body is this church affiliated? \_\_\_\_\_

If you have attended this church less than one year, where were you attending before and for how long?

\_\_\_\_\_

Are you licensed?  Yes  No Are you ordained?  Yes  No

**7. PERSONAL STATUS**

Sex:  Male  Female

Marital status:  Single  Married  Engaged  Widowed  Separated

(If engaged, please substitute "fiancé" or "fiancée" for "spouse" below.)

Have you ever been divorced or are you now separated?  Yes  No If yes, attach statement. See instructions for details.

Spouse's name: \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse's date of birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of marriage: \_\_\_\_\_

Has your spouse ever been divorced?  Yes  No If yes, attach statement. See instructions for details.

Names of children and dates of birth (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_

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**8. CITIZENSHIP**

Are you a/an (check one):

Citizen of the U.S.A. by birth?

Naturalized citizen of the U.S.A.? When? \_\_\_\_\_

Permanent resident (holder of a green card)? (Enclose a copy of this documentation with this application.)

International student coming on a visa? What type of visa? \_\_\_\_\_

If you are a permanent resident or international student, what is your country of citizenship? \_\_\_\_\_





In what campus organizations, extracurricular activities, service organizations, or fraternal societies have you taken an active part?

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What opportunities have you taken to demonstrate leadership, and what evidence of success in leadership have you seen?

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**HEALTH, FINANCIAL, AND PERSONAL INFORMATION**

How is your health at present?

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Have you ever been under mental or emotional health care?  Yes  No  
If yes, what has been the resolution of the care and what ongoing care is in process?

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Are you on a sound financial basis at this time?  Yes  No  
If no, please explain:

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Amount of current indebtedness to previous school(s) (excluding student loans): \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Amount of student loan balance outstanding: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Amount of credit card debt: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Amount of auto loan/lease debt: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Amount of all other debt (excluding home mortgage): \$ \_\_\_\_\_

(please explain type) \_\_\_\_\_

Amount of loan repayments currently past due: \$ \_\_\_\_\_



Please explain any delinquencies of debt repayments.

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What is your plan for meeting the expenses of seminary study? Include expected annual income.

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Have you been charged with a misdemeanor or felony offense? (This would include any appearance in court for any misdemeanor or felony accusation regardless of dismissal or conviction.)  Yes  No  
If yes, please discuss the circumstances and the decisions of the court.

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Are you currently completing probation or parole?  Yes  No

All new students are subject to a background check. Do you understand that if significant difference is found between the application information and the background check, this information will be forwarded to the dean of students and could result in discipline or dismissal from Dallas Seminary?  Yes  No

Are there any other facts or information that you would like the Admissions Committee to know for evaluation of your application?

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**11. SPOUSE'S OR FIANCÉ'S/FIANCÉE'S INFORMATION STATEMENT**

Please attach a signed statement written by your spouse or fiancé/fiancée describing his or her saving faith in Christ, when he or she took that step, and whether he or she is in agreement with your plans to enter seminary. This statement is not required if you are applying for Certificate of Graduate Studies or nondegree admission.

**12. LIFESTYLE COMMITMENT**

While the Seminary recognizes the freedom of each student to develop under the leadership of the Holy Spirit, students at the Seminary are recognized as Christian leaders by people in the community. Therefore, certain standards of conduct and appearance are to govern the student body (Rom. 14:21–22). The use of tobacco and the use of alcoholic beverages (except for liturgical, ceremonial, medicinal, or other exceptional instances) are not considered suitable for the Seminary faculty, staff, and students.

As representatives of Jesus Christ students are responsible to demonstrate a lifestyle consistent with His character and are expected to be men and women of high moral character and whose sexual conduct is consistent with the standards of Scripture. This includes abstaining from any pattern of addiction and from homosexual, premarital, and extramarital sexual conduct. Do you agree to abide by the Standards of Conduct stated above?  Yes  No

**13. DOCTRINAL QUALIFICATIONS**

Have you read the Doctrinal Statement of the Seminary in its entirety?  Yes  No  
(located in the Catalog or "We Believe" booklet or online at [www.dts.edu/aboutdts](http://www.dts.edu/aboutdts))

Every faculty member affirms his or her full agreement with the Doctrinal Statement every year. To be admitted and to graduate, students must adhere to the following doctrines:

- *the authority and inerrancy of Scripture*
- *the Trinity*
- *the full deity and humanity of Christ*
- *the spiritual lostness of the human race*
- *the substitutionary atonement and bodily resurrection of Christ*
- *salvation by faith alone in Christ alone*
- *the physical return of Christ.*

Do you adhere to the above doctrines?  Yes  No

In the interest of campus unity, do you agree to not promote views contrary to the Doctrinal Statement of the Seminary?  
 Yes  No

*I promise, in submission to the Holy Spirit's guidance, that if admitted to Dallas Seminary I will at all times conduct myself as a Christian, faithfully and diligently apply myself to the studies as required by the Seminary curriculum, promptly meet all financial and other obligations, carefully observe the rules and regulations as set forth by the Seminary and its faculty, and submit to the authority of the faculty and administration. (I understand that faithful adherence to this promise is expected throughout my seminary career.) I also affirm that the facts in this application and accompanying biographical statement(s) are true to the best of my knowledge.*

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SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT

DATE

**APPLICANT'S CHECKLIST**

- 1. All questions answered?
- 2. \$75 nonrefundable application fee enclosed?
- 3. Transcript(s) requested?
- 4. Arrangements begun to take GRE or MAT? (See application for details of whether test is required.)
- 5. Reference forms enclosed in sealed envelopes?
- 6. Church letter enclosed in sealed envelope?
- 7. Applicant's and/or spouse's signed statements on divorce or separation (if applicable) enclosed?
- 8. Arrangements begun to take TOEFL and TWE? (if English is not native or birth language)
- 9. Applicant's signed conversion statement enclosed?
- 10. Applicant's signed statement of the Lord's leading or reason for applying enclosed?
- 11. Spouse's signed information statement (if applicable) enclosed?



**INCOMING STUDENT INFORMATION**

*This information will not be used in considering you for admission. If you wish, you may submit this page after acceptance.*

Ethnic origin (required for statistical reporting purposes):

- Nonresident Alien (i.e., will attend DTS under a \_\_\_\_\_ [fill in] visa status)
- American Indian or Alaskan native       Black or African-American       White, non-Hispanic
- Asian or Pacific Islander       Hispanic       Other

Please list any physical disabilities or limitations, such as blindness or hearing problems, for which you will need accommodation.

\_\_\_\_\_

Name and address of parents: \_\_\_\_\_

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\_\_\_\_\_

Parents' phone: (    ) \_\_\_\_\_

May we send your parents *Kindred Spirit* magazine?    Yes    No

Name and address of parents-in-law: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Phone of parents-in-law: (    ) \_\_\_\_\_

May we send your parents-in-law *Kindred Spirit* magazine?    Yes    No

How did you first hear about Dallas Theological Seminary?

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

What or who prompted you to apply to Dallas Seminary?

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Are you a veteran who will receive veteran's benefits during your studies?    Yes    No

What musical/artistic abilities, hobbies, and interests do you have?

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Please indicate in which of the following campus or Christian groups you have leadership experience:

- Baptist Student Union     Campus Crusade for Christ       Navigators
- Bible Study Fellowship     Fellowship of Christian Athletes     Young Life
- Campus Life       InterVarsity Christian Fellowship     Other: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
**YOUR NAME (SIGNATURE)**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**YOUR NAME (PRINTED)**



# Request for Academic Transcript

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**APPLICANT:** Please photocopy this form, complete it (including signature), and send it to each college, university, seminary, or learning institution you have attended since high school where you have completed at least 12 semester hours.

**TO:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
REGISTRAR

\_\_\_\_\_  
NAME OF INSTITUTION

\_\_\_\_\_  
ADDRESS OF INSTITUTION  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Please send a copy of my academic transcript for the purpose of application for admission to:

Admissions Office  
Dallas Theological Seminary  
3909 Swiss Avenue  
Dallas, Texas 75204

*The Seminary asks you, as registrar, to **please sign across the sealed envelope flap.***

\_\_\_\_\_  
NAME BY WHICH I ATTENDED YOUR SCHOOL

\_\_\_\_\_  
APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE

\_\_\_\_\_  
YEARS OF ATTENDANCE

\_\_\_\_\_  
APPLICANT'S NAME (PRINTED)

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# Validation of Church Relationship

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**Dear Pastor or Church Officer:**

The person stated above is applying for admission to Dallas Theological Seminary. We ask that you write a statement that validates the following areas regarding the applicant:

- (1) The applicant's membership or regular participation in good standing
- (2) The church's endorsement of the applicant's potential for effective ministry
- (3) The length of time and description of the applicant's involvement in ministries of the church.

If the applicant is not a member but is a regular attender, please qualify your statement accordingly.

The Admissions Committee prefers you use your church letterhead to write this statement. If this is not feasible, you may make your statement on this form. Be sure the statement is signed and includes the title or position of the signer.

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**Admissions Office**  
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*If not using church letterhead, please use the space below (and on the back if necessary) to write your statement.*

YOUR STATEMENT HERE

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