



# GRACE COMMUNION SEMINARY

## Application for Admission

Grace Communion Seminary (GCS) is an educational institution affiliated with Grace Communion International (GCI), a member of the National Association of Evangelicals.

All accepted applicants will be admitted to **Master's Level Continuing Education** courses. Students may take courses of their own choice in this category. Upon completion of the seventh course with a minimum GPA of 2.7, students are eligible for candidacy in the **Master of Pastoral Studies** or **Master of Theological Studies** degree program. For the degree, all courses must be completed within eight years. For further information, please see *Description of Programs*, on the GCS website, [www.gcs.edu](http://www.gcs.edu)

Legal Name:

\_\_\_\_\_ *Last/Family (Enter name exactly as it appears on official documents)* \_\_\_\_\_ *First/Given* \_\_\_\_\_ *Middle*

Preferred Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Social Security number: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing address: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ *City* \_\_\_\_\_ *State/Province* \_\_\_\_\_ *Country* \_\_\_\_\_ *Zip/Postal code*

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of birth: \_\_\_\_\_ *mm/dd/yyyy* Place of birth: \_\_\_\_\_ *City* \_\_\_\_\_ *State/Province* \_\_\_\_\_ *Country*

When do you plan to enroll? Fall 20 \_\_\_\_ Summer 20 \_\_\_\_ Spring 20 \_\_\_\_

Government issued identification (to be used in proctoring examinations). Include a photocopy with your application.

Driver's License  Passport  Other \_\_\_\_\_

### Educational Data

Secondary or high school from which you graduated: \_\_\_\_\_ *Name of School*

\_\_\_\_\_ *Date of graduation (yyyy)* \_\_\_\_\_ *City* \_\_\_\_\_ *State/Province* \_\_\_\_\_ *Country*

Check any of the following that apply to your secondary school education:

Graduated  Did not graduate  Did not graduate, received GED

List colleges, universities or seminaries you have attended (including technical or military schools):

<i>Name of University</i>	<i>Location</i>	<i>Dates Attended</i>	<i>Degrees Earned</i>
_____	_____	_____	_____
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Highest Academic Degree GPA: \_\_\_\_\_

**Have an official transcript of the post-secondary institution from which you received your highest academic degree sent to:**

Grace Communion Seminary  
3120 Whitehall Park Drive, Charlotte, NC 28273-3335

### Notice of Non-discriminatory Policy as to Students

Grace Communion Seminary admits students of any race, sex, color, creed, age, or national origin to all the rights, privileges, programs and activities generally accorded to or made available to students at the school. It does not discriminate on the basis of race, sex, color, creed, age, or national origin in administration of its educational policies, admissions policies, scholarship and loan programs, and other school-administered programs.

## Personal Essay

Please write a *Letter to the Dean*, answering the following two questions: 1) Explain why you are interested in taking seminary courses. 2) Say something about why you want to take courses from GCS. Please limit each answer to a word count of 200-300 and include with your application.

## Work Experience

List principal employed positions you have held in the last three years: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Is there any additional information that you feel may be helpful for us as we process your application? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

## Ministry Experience

List congregational ministry responsibilities: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Present church affiliation: \_\_\_\_\_  
*Church Congregation/Denomination*

## Demographic Data

The following questions are for survey purposes only and hold no bearing on admission to GCS.

Do you intend to use completion of GCS course work or of a GCS degree to fulfill future occupational requirements or to pursue a further academic degree?  Yes  No

If yes, please explain \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

- I have been familiar with the GCI/GCS beliefs for many years.  
 I have been familiar with the GCI/GCS beliefs for a few years.  
 I am only recently familiar with GCI/GCS, but I have read the *Statement of Beliefs*.  
 I have not read the *Statement of Beliefs*.

The *Statement of Beliefs* of GCI provides the doctrinal foundation for GCS.

For the full *Statement of Beliefs*, go to [www.gci.org/aboutus/beliefs](http://www.gci.org/aboutus/beliefs)

Please check the appropriate spaces:  Male  Female  Single  Married U.S. Veteran?  Yes  No

Citizenship:

- U.S. citizen  
 Dual U.S. citizen  
 U.S. permanent resident visa
- Other citizenships: \_\_\_\_\_  
Alien registration number: \_\_\_\_\_  
Visa type: \_\_\_\_\_

Ethnic background: Mark the term(s) with which you most identify yourself.

- African-American  Caucasian  Asian  Native American  
 African  Hispanic  Middle Eastern  Other

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### Privacy Statement

"Grace Communion Seminary respects your privacy and the privacy and security of the information you provide. The Seminary does not sell, disseminate or disclose to entities outside the Seminary the information you provide. The Seminary may use some of the information you provide to analyze trends and create summary statistics for the Seminary and the accreditation organization, and/or any government report as may be required by law."

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### Additional Required Information

- Have you ever been found responsible for a disciplinary violation at a post-secondary institution, whether related to academic or behavioral misconduct, that resulted in your probation, suspension or expulsion from the institution?  
 Yes  No
- Have you ever been convicted of a felony?  Yes  No

If you answered "yes" to either of the above questions, please attach a separate page that explains the circumstances and approximate date.

### Application Fee

Method of Payment:  Check  Money Order (Payable to: Grace Communion Seminary)  
 MasterCard  Visa  Discover  American Express

Credit Card Number	Expiration Date	Total Amount: <b>\$50.00</b>
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Name as it appears on the card. \_\_\_\_\_ X \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature (Required)

### Application Check List

1. The non-refundable \$50 application fee must accompany this printed and signed application form before processing can take place.
2. At least one recommendation must be sent directly from a pastor or professor to the GCS registrar.
3. Have an official transcript of the post-secondary institution from which you received your highest academic degree sent directly to GCS.
4. Include a color copy of your government-issued photo ID along with this application.
5. Include your *Letter to the Dean* personal essay.
6. Mail to: Grace Communion Seminary, 3120 Whitehall Park Drive, Charlotte, NC 28273-3335  
OR Fax to: 844-350-3419 OR Email to: registrar@gcs.edu

#### Required signature:

*I certify that all information submitted in the admission process, including the application, any supplements, and any supporting materials, is my own work, factually true and honestly presented. I understand that I may be subject to disciplinary action, including dismissal from the program, should the information I've certified be false.*

*I understand that the Seminary is affiliated with Grace Communion International, a member of the National Association of Evangelicals, and the Church's theology is reflected by the course content.*

\_\_\_\_\_  
Handwritten Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

***Degree programs of study offered by Grace Communion Seminary have been declared exempt from the requirements for licensure, under provisions of North Carolina General Statutes Section (G.S.) 116–15 (d) for exemption from licensure with respect to religious education.***

***Grace Communion Seminary is accredited by the Distance Education Accrediting Commission. The Distance Education Accrediting Commission is listed by the U.S. Department of Education as a nationally recognized accrediting agency.***

"For Office Use Only"

Application fee received: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Transcripts received: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Provisional admittance: \_\_\_\_\_ By: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Limit of one course in first semester.)

Admitted to Seminary: \_\_\_\_\_ By: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Admitted, second signature: \_\_\_\_\_ By: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Denied admittance: \_\_\_\_\_ By: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Reason: \_\_\_\_\_