

Notification of Request for Authorization under the Degree-Granting Institutions Act

Date posted: March 12, 2013
Institution: Faith Evangelical College & Seminary
Current status: Authorized to offer degree programs at its Tacoma campus
Nature of request: Authorization to offer an additional degree program
Proposed program: Master of Arts in Christian Education
Washington site where the program will be offered:
Faith Evangelical College & Seminary
3504 North Pearl Street
Tacoma, WA 98407

Background:

Faith Evangelical College and Seminary was established in 1980 and operated under a religious exemption from degree authorization until 2006, when it became authorized. It has been accredited by the Transnational Association of Christian Colleges and Schools (TRACS) since 2001.

Nature of the review:

Prior to granting authorization to offer new degree programs in Washington State, the Washington Student Achievement Council /Degree Authorization reviews elements such as program outcomes, course requirements, method of course delivery, faculty credentials, and student services.

The program to be offered by Faith Evangelical College & Seminary appears to meet the requirements of the Degree-Granting Institutions Act.

Information on the additional program can be found at the end of this notice.

Timeline:

The Council will accept comments on this application until March 26, 2013.

Any individuals with knowledge that may indicate the institution and/or the program does not meet the authorization requirements of WAC 250-61 are requested to submit comments to:

[Degree Authorization](#).

If you would like to know more about the current law and regulations that govern the program, they can be found at the following links: the statute is [RCW 28B.85](#) and the regulation is [WAC 250-61](#).

Program Name: **Master of Arts in Christian Education**

Program Outcomes:

“Acquire an overview of God’s unfolding plan in both Old and New Testaments, incorporate study skills and sound principles of biblical interpretation in teaching biblical books, and understand the major doctrines of the Christian faith.

Acquire an understanding of the importance of developing a Christian worldview, committing to Christian ethical principles and growing in Christ while living in the midst of a predominantly secular culture.

Acquire a general understanding of and appreciation for the history of educational ministry and the theological and philosophical underpinnings that have influenced its theory and practice, and evaluate current educational practice in light of these understandings.

Acquire the ability to develop, implement, and assess transformational biblical teaching grounded in sound educational practice, supported by educational psychology and relevant teaching/learning theory, and committed to Christian ethical principles and personal spiritual development.

Acquire a clear and cohesive understanding of the importance of culture and contextualization as it pertains to the educational process.

Acquire applied educational skills through a hands-on practicum or internship.”

Number of Credits: 72 quarter credits

Required Courses: (all courses are 4 credits each unless otherwise noted)

Bible courses: (24 credits)

TH 5305 Biblical Theology and Hermeneutics

OT 5111 OT Exegesis and Exposition 1

OT 5112 OT Exegesis and Exposition 2

OT 5114 OT Exegesis and Exposition 3

NT 5211 NT Exegesis and Exposition 1

NT 5213 NT Exegesis and Exposition 2

Theology and Apologetics: (8 credits)

TH 5306 Essentials of Systematic Theology 1 (2 credits)

TH 5307 Essentials of Systematic Theology 2 (2 credits)

TH 7323 Christianity and Worldviews

Christian Education: (40 credits)

AT 5547 Spiritual Disciplines

AT 5540 Christian Ethics: Principles and Praxis

CE 5575 History and Philosophy of Christian Education

CE 6580 Educational Psychology

CE 5577 Foundational Issues of Christian Education

CE 6585 Curriculum Design for Christian Ministry

CE 6588 Educational Ministry of the Church

CE 7510 Culture, Contextualization, and Teaching the Bible

CE 7512 Christian Education in an Urban Context

CE 7570 Christian Education Practicum