

CERTIFICATE AND NON-DEGREE PROGRAMS APPLICATION

Certificate and non-degree programs offered at Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary are opportunities for Christian individuals to enroll in a specific short-term program of study with no degree earned from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary. The courses taken are either transferred to another College/university to complete a degree or are taken for further study in a specific field for personal and/or professional development and enhanced Christian service.

Categories of study available are:

Transient Student: Admission granted to a Christian individual who is currently enrolled in a regionally accredited degree program at another institution. The credit hours earned in this special classification of study will be eligible for transfer to another institution and may not be applicable toward an earned degree from Southwestern if they are applied toward the completion of a degree from another institution. NOTE: The only transcript required with this application for admission is that from the institution where the applicant is currently enrolled. Courses may be taken at any SWBTS campus, including on-line. Current tuition rates will apply, but no fees will be charged.

Special Student Status: Admission granted to a Christian individual who may or may not hold a bachelor's degree and is interested in theological and ministry education on a course-by-course basis, with credit being applicable to a degree program at a later time. Courses are taken during the regular semester for academic credit, at any SWBTS campus, including on-line. Current tuition rates and all applicable fees will apply. Auditing of classes is also available on this special student status.

Leadership Certificate(s) in Women's Ministry or Childhood and Weekday Education: Admission granted to a Christian individual who is seeking professional ministry training but not prepared for long-term study toward a degree at this time. These are twelve-hour programs, with classes available in one-week or weekend seminar settings, designed to equip lay leaders and church staff for ministry by providing quality training and networking opportunities. The credit hours earned may be transferred into a vocational degree program. Courses for both certificates are offered on the Fort Worth campus. Women's Ministry courses are also offered on the Houston campus. Current tuition rates will apply, but no fees will be charged.

Basic Certificate for Hispanic Studies: The Southern Baptist of Texas Convention has a vision to create an educational superhighway for equipping the next generation of Hispanic pastors and leaders. The SBTC will confer a Basic Certificate for those who complete the required 24 hours which consist of the first eight biblical content courses listed in the catalog. Courses are open to approved applicants for credit as well as open to anyone on a conference (non-credit) certificate basis. For courses taught in Spanish please Contact Dr. Rudolph Gonzalez at RGonzalez@swbts.edu for academic credit course information.

Certificate in Biblical Studies (undergraduate only): Admission granted to a Christian individual who does not hold an undergraduate degree, does not wish to pursue the Bachelor of Arts program at this time, but wishes to pursue 10 classes that will result in a certificate in biblical studies. These courses are offered only at the Fort Worth campus in conjunction with The College at Southwestern.

Certificate of Seminary Studies for Student Wives: Student wives can be equipped and earn up to 12 hours of seminary credit by attending both personal development and academic seminars offered through Seminary Studies for Student Wives. These classes are offered only on the Fort Worth campus.

Continuing Education: Admission granted to a Christian individual who holds a seminary degree seeking to expand his/her education and skills through lifelong learning. Courses are taken during the regular semester for academic credit or audit, at any SWBTS campus, including on-line. Current tuition rates will apply but no student campus fee will be required.

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS INCLUDE:

- Application form
- Church recommendation form
- Official transcript(s) in order to establish your academic level and good standing
- \$10.00 application fee

NOTE: All of the items above must be received in the Office of Admissions before you will be eligible to enroll. If you become a degree-seeking student at a later date a full application for admission will be required.

Certificate and Non-Degree Programs

Application for Admission

Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary
Office of Admissions
PO Box 22740, Fort Worth, TX 76122-0740
(817) 923-1921, ext 2777 or 1-800-SWBTS-01
Fax: (817) 921-8758

Please refer to the preceding cover sheet as you complete this application.

Check desired category of study:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Transient student | <input type="checkbox"/> Basic Certificate for Hispanic Studies |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Special Student Status | <input type="checkbox"/> Certificate in Biblical Studies (undergraduate) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Leadership Certificate in Childhood & Weekday Education | <input type="checkbox"/> Continuing Education (seminary degree required) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Leadership Certificate in Women's Ministry | <input type="checkbox"/> Seminary Studies for Student Wives |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ |

Personal Information

◆ Full Legal Name _____
Last First Middle

◆ Preferred Name _____

◆ Present Address _____
Apt. Number, Street Address/PO Box

_____ City State (2-letter abbreviation) Zip Country

◆ Home Phone (____) _____ Cell Phone (____) _____

◆ E-mail address _____

NOTE: Please notify us if there is an address change at any point during the application process.

◆ Your birthdate (month/day/year) _____

◆ U.S. Social Security number _____

◆ Gender Male Female

◆ Semester or seminar date in which you wish to begin: Fall Spring Summer Year _____
Seminar date: _____

NOTE: Date of application should be no more than one year prior to intended enrollment.

For Priority Processing:	Fall semester	July 15	(May 15 for internationals)
	Spring semester	Dec. 1	(October 1 for internationals)
	Summer semester	April 1	(Not open to internationals)

◆ I have previously applied to TCS and/or SWBTS. No Yes If yes, when? _____
I have attended TCS and/or SWBTS as a student before. No Yes If yes, when? _____

Campus you plan to attend:

(Please see categories of study on cover sheet for availability at each campus.)

- Fort Worth Dallas/Prestonwood Shawnee, OK
- Marshall Little Rock, AR Internet
- Houston San Antonio Other _____

Education Information

Are you a high school graduate? Yes No If no, have you completed a GED? Yes No

Please list all colleges/institutions and seminaries you have attended.

Name of college/institution	State	Degree Earned	Date last attended
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Name of Seminary	State	Degree Earned	Date Last attended
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Note: An official transcript must be submitted directly from the institutions(s) you attended

Other name (e.g., maiden name) that might appear on transcripts _____

Religious History

◆ Age when you became a Christian _____

◆ Present church membership (Name of Church) _____

Address of church _____

Name of Pastor _____

Denomination of church: Southern Baptist Non-Southern Baptist _____
(Name of denomination)

◆ Are you licensed to ministry or ordained? Licensed Ordained

Ethical Conduct Information:

Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary is a Christian institution whose primary purpose is to conduct a program of post-secondary, professional, and graduate theological education designed to equip both men and women for effective Christian leadership. It is required that students who have sought entrance into this institution administered by a Board of Trustees elected by the Southern Baptist Convention shall conduct themselves in a manner deemed by the seminary as conduct expected of a Christian. For a complete copy of the Ethical Conduct Statement, please refer to the seminary catalog.

◆ **Citizenship**

- 1 - United States citizen by birth
- 2 - Naturalized United States citizen
- 3 - F-1 Student Visa
- 4 - Permanent Resident (A copy of your I-551 Alien Registration Receipt Card must accompany this application)
- 5 - B1/B2 Visitor
- 6 - Other visa _____
(A copy of your visa must accompany this application)

◆ **If you are a U.S. Citizen (by birth or naturalized),** check the code that best describes your racial heritage:

- 1 - White, Non-Hispanic 3 - Native (Indian) American 5 - Asian/Pacific Islander
 2 - Hispanic 4 - Black, Non-Hispanic

◆ **Home State or Country of Citizenship** _____

City

State

Country

◆ **Marital Status**

- Married Single Divorced/Single Divorced/Remarried Widowed

Please return this completed application, official transcript (s) as applicable, the attached Church Recommendation Form which can be completed by any official of your church, and \$10.00 application fee to the Office of Admissions at the address noted above. All of these items must be received in Admissions and your application approved before you will be eligible to enroll in classes.