

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

Date posted: March 3, 2015

Institution: Faith Evangelical College and Seminary

Current status: Authorized to offer degree programs in Washington State

Nature of request: Authorization to offer three additional degree programs at its Tacoma campus

Proposed programs: Bachelor of Arts in Business
Master of Arts in Christian Counseling
Doctor of Strategic Leadership

Locations: Faith Evangelical College and Seminary
3504 North Pearl Street
Tacoma, WA 98407

Background:

Faith Evangelical College and Seminary was established in 1980. It offers primarily religious degree programs. 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 programs to be offered by Faith Evangelical College and Seminary appear to meet the requirements of the Degree-Granting Institutions Act.

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

Timeline:

The WSAC will accept comments on this application until March 17, 2015.

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 Title:

Bachelor of Arts in Business

Program Outcomes:

“The Bachelor of Arts in Business curriculum provides the basic skills and theoretical foundation for a graduating student to function as a Business Administrator, be it in a Faith-Based (i.e., Church or Para-Church), Not-For-Profit, or Secular Business setting. Students receive instruction in methods of Bible study, an overview of the bible, and a review of the cardinal doctrines of the faith. In addition, the curriculum provides for both academic review and practical application to facilitate the student’s program experience, with an emphasis to prepare the student for work in the world of Business both within the United State and internationally. The combination of academic classroom work and practical experience gained while serving in a Christian ministry provides the student with a balanced opportunity for personal growth and life application.”

Number of Credits: 180 quarter credits

Mode of Delivery: Resident-hybrid and/or online – up to 100% of the program may be taken online

Required Courses: (all courses are 5 credits each unless otherwise noted)

Orientation:

CLO 101 College Life Overview

General Education: (70 credits)

BUS247 Introduction to Statistics

CIS 101 Introduction to Computer Science 1

CIS 102 Introduction to Computer Science 2

COM 101 Speech Communication

ECN201 Microeconomics

ECN202 Macroeconomics

ENG 100 Introduction to Academic Writing

ENG 102 English Composition

GOV 101 U.S. Government

GOV 240 U.S. Constitution

MAT 100 Principles of Mathematics

PHI 100 Introduction to Critical Thinking

PSY 101 General Psychology

SOC 101 Introduction to Sociology

Bible and Theology: (20 credits)

CS 102 Christian Studies Overview 1

CS 103 Christian Studies Overview 2

BT 220 Essential Bible Doctrines

BT 225 Bible Study Methods

Core Courses: (60 credits)

BUS 210 Introduction to Accounting

BUS 300 Business Communications

BUS 310 Business Ethics

BUS 320 Principles of Management
BUS 330 Marketing
BUS 340 Finance
BUS 400 Managing Organizations
BUS 410 Managing Financial Resources
BUS 430 Business Law
BUS 440 Human Resources Management
BUS 450 Strategic Planning for Organizational Change
BUS 490 Business Integration and Analysis (Capstone)
Electives – Interdisciplinary/Specialty: (25 credits)
Students choose any five undergraduate courses offered

Program Title:

Master of Arts in Christian Counseling

Program Outcomes:

“The Master of Arts in Christian Counseling (MACC) is designed for those who desire to serve as a pastoral or professional counselor in the church or a wide range of settings (community mental health agency, hospital program, religious-based or church-related counseling ministry, and private pastoral or professional counseling practice). The interdisciplinary degree with a theological foundation coupled with Christian-based counseling theory and practice is multicultural in nature and designed to aid the student develop an intentional, informed, and integrated biblically based, systemic pastoral counseling ministry. The degree coursework may prepare the student to take the National Counselor Exam or the National Certified Mental Health Counselor Exam and offers the possibility of working toward licensure in Washington State. The student is responsible for verifying whether the degree will meet state licensure requirements in any given state.”

“Note: Completion of this program does not guarantee that one will obtain licensure. It is the responsibility of the student to contact the state licensure board or any certification board to determine if the degree will meet requirements for licensure or certification.”

Number of Credits: 72 quarter credits

Mode of Delivery: Primarily residential, although up to 100% of the program may be taken online.

Required Courses: (all courses are 4 credits each)

Bible/Theology: (8 credits)

TH 5304 Introduction to Biblical Theology
CO 6726 Foundations of Biblical Counseling

Counseling: (64 credits)

CO 5711 Intro to Pastoral Counseling
CO 5730 Crisis Intervention
CO 5740 Intro to Marriage & Family Counseling
CO 6710 Human Growth and Development
CO 6720 Cross-cultural Counseling
CO 6724 Advanced Marriage & Family Counseling
CO 6750 Domestic Violence & Anger Management
CO 6760 Addictions & Substance Abuse

CO 7710 Group Counseling
CO 7755 Psychopathology
CO 7761 Legal and Ethical Issues in Counseling
CO 7764 Assessment and Diagnosis (DSM V)
CO 7765a Counseling Practicum/Internship
CO 7765b Counseling Practicum/Internship
Counseling Electives: (8 credits)
Students choose two of the following courses:
CO 6725 Family Systems
CO 6727 Pre-marital Counseling
CO 6740 Communication & Conflict Management
CO 6770 Grief & Bereavement
CO 6780 Counseling Children and Adolescents
CO 7762 Counseling and Bioethics
CO 7763 Research Design and Statistics for the Helping Professional

Program Title:

Doctor of Strategic Leadership

Program Outcomes:

“The Doctor of Strategic Leadership (DSL) curriculum provides the ability to learn methods to spread the Gospel in both sacred and secular arenas. By understanding God’s vocational call on their lives, students will learn to reside and function in mainstream culture with a Christian worldview. The DSL is meant to train students who currently serve in a marketplace context such as administrators, nonprofit professionals, business managers, upper-level executives, military personnel, educators, counselors, life coaches, etc., to be better equipped and more effective leaders. The program is open to those in Church leadership roles who wish to enhance their leadership skills as non-Master of Divinity seeking students.”

Number of Credits: 80 quarter credits

Mode of Delivery: Residential as well as online. A portion of the program must be completed residentially.

Required Courses: (all courses are 4 credits each)

Core courses: (40 credits)

LE 8548 Integrity, Communication, and Decision Making
GL 7556 Missional Marketplace Ministry
LE 8546 Foundations of Strategic Leadership
GL 7547 The Leader’s Inner Journey
LE 8549 Strategic Leadership and Care Systems
GL 7552 Missional Thought and Theology
LE 8547 Strategic Vision & Organizational Development
GL 7512 Leading for Global Impact
LE 8553 Managing Organizational Conflict
AT 7563 Research Design and Statistics

Project/Dissertation: (16 credits)

AT 8591 Strategic Leadership Research/Practicum 1

AT 8592 Strategic Leadership Research/Practicum 2

AT 8593 Strategic Leadership Research/Practicum 3

AT 8595 Strategic Leadership Research/Dissertation

Electives: (24 credits)

Students choose 6 courses from a list of 29 courses in the following four categories:

- Global/Missional Leadership
- Organizational Leadership
- Educational Leadership
- Life Coaching Leadership