

## COMMISSION'S STATEMENT OF ACCREDITED STATUS

Grace School of Theology 3705 College Park Drive The Woodlands, TX 77384

Grace School of Theology has been accredited by the Commission on Accrediting (COA) of The Association of Theological Schools since 2017. The school's accreditation was initially granted in winter 2025, based on an institutional self-study report and an onsite evaluation visit by a committee of peer and public reviewers. The school's current period of accreditation expires March 31, 2035.

The school's current status of *Accredited in Good Standing* means the school meets all applicable COA Standards of Accreditation. The school demonstrates educational quality and financial stability and provides evidence that its student learning outcomes are appropriate, rigorous, and being achieved. The school has no public sanctions (i.e., warning, probation, or show cause).

The school is approved to offer the following degree(s): MDiv, MA (Biblical Studies), Master of Ministry, ThM, DMin, PhD (Theological Studies)

The school notified the Commission that the following approved degree(s) will be discontinued (i.e., to be deleted when the last student has exited the program): MA in Chaplaincy, MA in Military Chaplaincy

The school is approved to offer distance (online) education at the following level: Comprehensive (Half or More of a Degree)

The school is not approved to offer half or more of a degree at any additional location(s).

In February 2025, the Board of Commissioners approved the PhD (Theological Studies) degree program and approved a five-year experiment to offer this degree through synchronous online coursework, comprehensive examinations, research languages, and a culminating dissertation.

The Commission on Accrediting (COA) of The Association of Theological Schools accredits more than 250 graduate schools of theology and seminaries in the United States and Canada. The COA has been recognized by the U.S. Department of Education since 1952 as an accreditor of freestanding, single-purpose institutions and of specialized programs at larger institutions offering post-baccalaureate degrees in professional and academic theological education. The COA is also recognized by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation as a national faith-related accrediting organization that accredits free-standing seminaries and academic units of larger institutions in the United States and Canada that offer post-baccalaureate degrees in professional and academic theological education.