

Abstracted Summary of Final Actions: April 2020

Pursuant to §602.26 of Title 34 of U.S. Code of Federal Regulations, this report abstracts substantive changes only from all final actions taken recently by The Commission on Accrediting of The Association of Theological Schools (COAATS). Canadian schools are not included in this report. References correspond to the compendium of accrediting documents.

Information on individual schools can be found by accessing our member school list.

Concerning spring 2020 COVID-19/coronavirus-related guidance, see the March 24, 2020, letter posted https://www.ats.edu/ats-events-and-coronavirus-resources.

At its teleconference meeting April 14, 2020, a subcommittee of the COAATS Board of Commissioners voted on the below actions, with subsequent ratification by the full Board as needed, effective **April 22, 2020**, unless otherwise noted.

ACTION(S) RELATED TO PERIODS OF ACCREDITATION

Concordia Theological Seminary - Fort Wayne, IN

Per Board vote on 3/23/2020 (posted 3/24/2020: see link, above), next comprehensive evaluation visit is postponed *to* fall 2020, due to the COVID-19 health crisis limiting travel and group gatherings, with adjustment to the period of accreditation as necessary [i.e., to expire on March 31, 2021].

The Seattle School of Theology and Psychology - Seattle, WA

Per Board vote on 3/23/2020 (posted 3/24/2020: see link, above), next comprehensive evaluation visit is postponed *to* fall 2020, due to the COVID-19 health crisis limiting travel and group gatherings, with adjustment to the period of accreditation as necessary [i.e., to expire on March 31, 2021].

ACTION(S) RELATED TO NEW/REVISED DEGREES

Erskine Theological Seminary - Due West, SC

To approve the Master of Arts in Christian Counseling degree program.

Grand Rapids Theological Seminary of Cornerstone University - Grand Rapids, MI

To approve the Master of Arts in Ministry Leadership degree program.

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