

## Abstracted Summary of Final Actions: October–November 2025

Pursuant to §602.26 of Title 34 of U.S. Code of Federal Regulations, this report abstracts from all final actions taken recently by The Commission on Accrediting of The Association of Theological Schools (COAATS) concerning substantive changes only for schools in the US (Canadian schools are not included in this report). The membership of COAATS has adopted new [Standards of Accreditation](#) and [Policies and Procedures](#), effective July 1, 2020. Information on individual schools can be found by accessing our [member school list](#). Past abstracts can be found [here](#).

At its reader panel meeting conducted via videoconference on November 6, 2025, the Board of Commissioners of COAATS voted on the below actions with an effective date of **November 13, 2025**—unless otherwise noted..

### SUBSTANTIVE CHANGE RELATED TO NEW DEGREE PROGRAM LEVEL

#### Ecumenical Theological Seminary – Detroit, MI

To grant approval to offer the Master of Theology (ThM) degree program *pending* clarification to staff regarding degree nomenclature and advanced coursework (see Standards 4.10-12).

### SUBSTANTIVE CHANGE RELATED TO ADDITIONAL LOCATION

#### Grace Theological Seminary – Winona Lake, IN

1. To grant approval for a new additional location at Grace Polaris Church (8225 Worthington Galena Road, Westerville, OH 43081) to offer half or more of any master's degree.
2. To authorize a focused visit within six months of this substantive change to verify that the location at Grace Polaris Church (8225 Worthington Galena Road, Westerville, OH 43081) has the resources, facilities, and personnel described in the school's petition. (Visit anticipated: fall 2026)

#### Moravian University School of Theology – Bethlehem, PA

1. To grant approval for a new additional location at 555 West James Street, Lancaster, PA 17603 to offer half or more of any master's degree and the Doctor of Ministry.
2. To authorize a focused visit within six months of this substantive change to verify that the location at 555 West James Street, Lancaster, PA 17603 has the resources, facilities, and personnel described in the school's petition. (Visit anticipated: spring 2026)

### SUBSTANTIVE CHANGE RELATED TO MISSION, LEGAL STATUS, NAME, OR MAIN LOCATION

#### Bexley Hall Seabury-Western Theological Seminary Federation, Inc. – Chicago, IL

To grant *temporary authorization* to relocate the school's main campus *from* its current location at 1407 East 60th Street, Chicago, IL 60637, about nine miles to 65 East Huron Street, Chicago, IL 60611, effective December 1, 2025. This authorization will be in effect until such time as the Board of Commissioners can meet and act officially on the relocation, per *Policies and Procedures*, IV.E.2 (anticipated: February 2026).

*[Commission staff action 11/19/2025 on behalf of the Board of Commissioners]*

#### Wesley Seminary – Marion, IN

To grant *temporary authorization* to relocate the school's main campus *from* its current location at 4412 S. Landess Street, Marion, IN 46953, about one mile to 1900 W. 50th Street, Marion, IN 46953, effective November 14, 2025. This authorization will be in effect until such time as the Board of Commissioners can meet and act officially on the relocation, per *Policies and Procedures*, IV.E.2 (anticipated: February 2026).

*[Commission staff action 10/22/2025 on behalf of the Board of Commissioners]*

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