



Grand Rapids
THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY

GRTS CONNECT
APPLICATION

Instructions for GRTS Connect Applicants:

- 1) Complete and return this *GRTS Connect Application* by Friday, March 13, 2009.
- 2) Submit \$250 to GRTS by Friday, March 13, 2009. Refunded if the applicant is not accepted.
- 3) Request for an official transcript to be sent from your college to the GRTS Admissions Office.
- 4) Students will be notified of admission to GRTS Connect by Friday, March 27, 2009.

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Last name: _____ First: _____ Middle: _____

College Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ County (if in MI): _____

Permanent Address (if different): _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ County (if in MI): _____

College Phone: (____) _____ Cell Phone: (____) _____ Permanent Phone: (____) _____

Email: _____ Social Security No.: _____

City/State of Birth: _____ Month/Day of Birth: _____

Country of Citizenship: _____ Visa type (if non-US): _____

Optional information for statistical purposes only

Gender: Male Female **Birth year:** 19____ **Marital Status:** Single Married Remarried Separated Divorced Widowed

Ethnic Background: Asian or Pacific Islander African American Hispanic Native American White Multi-racial

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND

List the college at which you are currently enrolled. Also list any schools at which you have done undergraduate or graduate studies.

Name of School	Address	Dates Attended	Anticipated Degree Receive
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

ESSAY

Write an essay that describes your ministry goals (max: 1 page, single-spaced). Submit this with your application by March 13, 2009.

STATEMENT OF CHRISTIAN FAITH

Grand Rapids Theological Seminary seeks students who demonstrate commitment to Jesus Christ and evidence of new birth. The following statements are from section one of the Cornerstone Confession and must be affirmed as a prerequisite for enrollment, admission to degree programs, and graduation.

1. We believe that the Bible is the Word of God, truth without error, clear and powerful in its message, sufficient for all of our needs, and the final authority for faith and life.
2. We believe in the triune God – Father, Son and Holy Spirit – who is holy, loving, good, wise and almighty; who has created all things by his word out of nothing, who sustains, provides for and rules all things, who is our only Redeemer and who will judge all people.
3. We believe that God created men and women in his image and likeness for fellowship with himself and to carry out the creation mandates; that Adam sinned and that by his disobedience the entire race was alienated from God, depraved and totally lost.
4. We believe in the Lord Jesus Christ who added full humanity to his perfect deity, obeyed God perfectly, died for our sins on the cross, rose again to defeat Satan and returned to heaven to pour out the Holy Spirit at Pentecost and to intercede for his people.
5. We believe that the triune God has provided a great salvation for those who repent of their sins and trust Christ and his finished work; that he calls, regenerates, justifies, forgives, adopts, sanctifies, keeps and will glorify them.
6. We believe in the Holy Spirit who has been sent to complete and perfect in us all of the works that Jesus did for us. He convicts of sin, regenerates, sanctifies us, gifts us for ministry and assures us of our salvation.
7. We believe in the personal return of the Lord Jesus Christ, the bodily resurrection and final judgment of the just and the unjust, the everlasting blessedness of the saved and the everlasting, conscious punishment of the lost.

LIFESTYLE STATEMENT

Students by virtue of their enrollment, agree to live within the framework of the school's standards of conduct. While some may not have personal convictions in accord with these standards, agreeing to them obligates the student to assume responsibility for honorable adherence to them while enrolled at Grand Rapids Theological Seminary. It should, of course, be understood that any behavior, either on campus or away, which indicated that a student has disregard for the spirit of the school standards, would be sufficient reason to ask him/her to withdraw from school.

1. To utilize his or her time to the best possible advantage by careful study, participation in Christian service, and faithful attendance at a local church
2. To practice discernment in the areas of media and entertainment
3. To abstain from possession and use of alcoholic beverages, tobacco and illegal drugs
4. To seek to obey every divine command in order to maintain a right relationship with God, fellow man and the created order.

CERTIFICATION AND SIGNATURE

I certify that the information provided on this application is complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I understand that falsifying any part of this application may result in cancellation of enrollment. Finally, I certify that I affirm the doctrinal statement as outlined in the GRTS catalog and will honorably adhere to the Grand Rapids Theological Seminary Lifestyle Statement.

Signature: _____ Date: _____