

# WELCOME FROM THE ACADEMIC DEAN John F. VerBerkmoes, Ph.D.

GRAND RAPIDS THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY

## DEAR STUDENT,

I am delighted that you have chosen to review this catalog. It will give you a good introduction to the purposes, programs and people of Grand Rapids Theological Seminary. I invite you to follow up your reading of these pages with a visit to our campus. Such a visit will provide you an opportunity to pose questions and to think together with us about God's calling for your life.

Grand Rapids Theological Seminary has been preparing individuals for a variety of Christian ministries for more than 70 years. We are committed to providing our students with a well-rounded program that integrates Christian worldview, biblical knowledge, theology, exegesis and ministry skills, so that you are equipped for a lifetime of service to Christ and his Church. Whether you are a professional looking for continuing education in Christian studies or a person called to vocational Christian ministry, Grand Rapids Theological Seminary has programs that will address your needs.

As a graduate school of theology and ministry, Grand Rapids Theological Seminary is a community of learners who hold in common the desire to study God's word as the means to know God and serve others. You will have access to seasoned professors, both in and out of the classroom, who desire to help you integrate knowledge and service into a lifestyle. I invite you to join us in this journey!



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