Purpose
Provisional status may be offered for up to 18 months to applicants who do not meet the minimum academic requirements but who otherwise meet admission criteria and standards. The minimum academic requirements for regular admission are a bachelor’s degree from an accredited college or university; a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale; and, when applicable, TOEFL test scores that meet minimum acceptable scores. (Cumulative GPA is calculated from all higher education coursework.)

Provisional status may also be offered to applicants whose files contain insufficient information for the committee to determine if they meet the minimum academic requirements and who otherwise meet admission criteria and standards.

Provisional status provides a student with the opportunity to demonstrate successful participation in the academic life of the institution.

Provisional status is for the Master of Divinity (MDiv) or Master of Theological Studies (MTS) programs only. Admission without a bachelor’s degree to any of our other programs will be decided by the Admissions Committee on a case-by-case basis.

Admission Information
- Applicants complete and submit the standard program application with the same required supporting materials.
- Provisional status is offered by the Admissions Committee based upon its review of the application file.
- Applicants who do not possess a bachelor’s degree must have a minimum of two years’ worth of undergraduate coursework in order to be admitted to any program.

Support for Provisional Students
- Students, during their first year of study, are required to take IDS-8100 or IDS-0001: “The Art & Technique of Effective Academic Writing” course offered on-line during Summer Session and January Intersession.
- Faculty advisors will be informed of advisees admitted as provisional students so they may provide academic advising and support within the provisional student guidelines.
- All students are required to meet with the Assistant Dean for Academic Programs following the completion of nine credits and prior to the close of late registration for the following semester to review their academic progress.
Enrollment Requirements for Provisional Students

- Students must maintain a minimum 3.0 GPA at the completion of 18 credits; this is not to exceed 18 months from student’s start date.
- Provisional students are strongly advised not to exceed nine units in their first semester.
- Students must take a minimum of 3.0 units per semester of basic required courses for their program; these must be for a letter grade.
- Students must demonstrate successful participation in the academic life of PSR.
- All student policies, including those regarding academic probation, will apply to provisional students.
- Provisional students are eligible for financial aid and on-campus housing.

Full Status Application Requirements

- Students must submit a Full Status Application at the completion of 18 credits; this is not to exceed 18 months from student’s start date.
- The deadline to submit all application materials will be January 15 or June 15. Decisions will not be made until final grades are available from the previous semester. Applications not received or complete by January 15 or June 15 will be billed a $50 late fee. A completed application includes:
  - Full Status Application,
  - Two letters of reference from GTU faculty, one of which must be a PSR faculty, and
  - One academic paper that they have written for one of their basic required courses (minimum five pages).
- Once grades are available students’ transcripts will be added to their full status application.
- Applications for full status will be reviewed by the Academic Dean.
- Admission as a provisional student does not guarantee admission to full status. Admission to full status is based upon successfully meeting the enrollment requirements and full status application requirements.

Admitted Students must sign and return this document to the Office of Recruitment and Admissions. Keep a copy for your own records.

My signature below confirms I have read, understand, and agree to the above policy and requirements.

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Signature                          Date

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Print Name