It is with a sense of expectancy that we welcome you to the new academic year. As you begin your program at Gordon-Conwell, whether this is your first or your final year here, we trust you have come with a sense of realization of your call to ministry.

The Student Handbook is an official document that is essential and binding for all students. It is based on the current structure and policies of the seminary. We have tried to make it user friendly, and hope that students will take it seriously and use it as a reference guide to academic and student life at Gordon-Conwell. It contains information regarding policies and procedures that have a direct influence on students. Each student is held responsible for the information contained in the Student Handbook.

Policy and procedure changes that might be made during the year will be expeditiously conveyed. When changes are made, it is the policy of the seminary to give such notice as will ensure adjustment without undue inconvenience. However, the right to make whatever changes may be deemed necessary at any time is specifically reserved.

As reflected in the Student Handbook, the seminary takes seriously its role in helping students to be prepared as whole persons who are called to various forms of ministry in God’s world. We extend a warm welcome to new and returning students who are here from around the United States and the globe. May God grant us all his grace and mercy as we encourage one another to seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, trusting that all that is needed to accomplish his purpose he will provide!

Scott D. Poblenz
Registrar

Michelle D. Williams
Dean of Students

The policies contained in the Handbook are not comprehensive. Please consult individual offices for complete details regarding any specific policy.
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MISSION STATEMENT

To encourage students to become knowledgeable of God’s inerrant Word, competent in its interpretation, proclamation and application in the contemporary world.

To maintain academic excellence in the highest tradition of Christian scholarship in the teaching of the biblical, historical and theological disciplines.

To train and encourage students, in cooperation with the Church, to become skilled in ministry.

To work with the churches towards the maturing of students so that their experiential knowledge of God in Christ is evidenced in their character, outlook, conduct, relationships and involvement in society.

To provide leadership and educational resources for shaping an effective evangelical presence in Church and society.

To develop in students a vision for God’s redemptive work throughout the world and formulate strategies that will lead to effective missions, evangelism and discipleship.
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*In case of an emergency on campus, dial 911 to contact the Hamilton Emergency Center Operator (ECo). When the ECo answers, speak clearly. Give your name, address, telephone number and the nature of your emergency. Let the ECo hang up first. This ensures that they have all the information they need. The ECo will immediately dispatch the necessary emergency services and then dispatch Gordon-Conwell Campus Safety by radio.