



APPLICATION FOR
ADMISSION

APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

Southern Evangelical Seminary & Bible College

Before applying for admission to Southern Evangelical Seminary & Bible College, you should first read the SES catalog regarding the degree or non-degree program in which you are interested. Also read the section "Admission Procedures." Specific requirements for these programs are detailed in the description of Academic Programs in the current SES catalog. Note: If you are an applicant desiring admission to a Doctorate (Ph.D. or D.Min.) program you must use that application.

Southern Evangelical Seminary & Bible College desires students who are committed to Jesus Christ. Students are required to read, understand, and respect our statements of purpose and faith. Enrollment is open to all qualified students, without distinction of gender, race, disability, or ethnic derivation, who desire to engage in serious theological study in preparation for Christian service.

The purpose of this institution is to train men and women for Bible-based Christian ministries. Therefore, in addition to the academic requirements, there are spiritual requirements for admission in keeping with this purpose. These include Christian experience, spiritual growth, desire for service, and gifts for ministry.

Degree or Certificate Program Admission (Resident & Distance Education)

The admissions committee will only consider applications when all of the following items have been received:

1. A completed application form which includes:
 - a) All Biographical data;
 - b) Two passport style photographs;
 - c) Academic record—all institutions of higher education attended;
 - d) References—names and addresses of at least three persons, including a pastor, to whom the applicant has sent reference forms;
 - e) Program of study indicated on the application for which the student is applying.
 - f) Signed application.
2. Personal statement. Applicants must submit a Personal Statement of 300-500 words in a formal typed paper which includes:
 - a) spiritual autobiography;
 - b) the applicant's expressed desire for, and ability in, Christian ministry;
 - c) the applicant's evaluation of his/her personality.
3. Official transcripts of the student's academic record at all institutions of higher education attended are required. Transcripts showing transfer of credit from one institution to another are not sufficient. Undergraduate students must also include their high school transcript. (The applicant must request that each institution send the transcript directly to the Office of Admissions.)
4. Application Fee. A non-refundable application fee of \$25.00 must accompany each completed application form.

Non-Degree Program Admission (Resident & Distance Education)

The admissions committee will only consider applications when all of the following items have been received:

1. Non-Degree Status status may be granted to:
 - a) Any student who does not meet the academic requirements for regular admission to a degree or certificate program.
 - b) Students who are qualified for a degree program, but do not desire to enter a degree program at this time. Such students may audit or attend three courses for credit.
2. A completed Application form which includes:
 - a) All Biographical data;
 - b) Two passport style photographs;
 - c) Non-Degree Program of study indicated on the application for which the student is applying;
 - d) Signed application.
3. Application Fee. A non-refundable application fee of \$25.00 must accompany each completed application form.

When the student's file is complete, the admissions committee will take official action on the application. The applicant will then be notified of acceptance into a specific degree program or other status. A resident student is strongly encouraged to apply 6 to 12 months before expected enrollment date but at least to complete the application process before the following deadlines:

August 5	for Fall term admission
December 15	for Winter module admission
January 15	for Spring term admission
May 1	for Summer School admission

Personal Data:

Name: _____ S.S. Number: _____

Present Mailing Address: _____

Number and Street City State Zip

School Year Mailing Address: _____

Number and Street City State Zip

Date of Birth: _____ Place of Birth: _____ Occupation: _____

Home Phone: _____ Work Phone: _____ e-mail: _____

Citizen of USA? Yes No If not citizen, Naturalized? Yes No If yes, when? _____ Country? _____

NOTE: The U.S. Department of Education requests the following information on ethnic origin (check one):

- Black, non-Hispanic American Indian or Alaskan Native Hispanic
- White, non-Hispanic Asian or Pacific Islander Other (specify) _____

Name of Parents: _____

Parents' Address: _____

Number and Street City State Zip

Personal Status:

Ever Divorced? Yes No Spouse Ever Divorced? Yes No

Current Status? Single Married Engaged Widowed Separated

Gender: Male Female

Spouse's Name: _____ Birthday (month/day): _____ Date of Marriage: _____

Names of children and dates of birth: _____

Church Relationship:

Of what local church are you a member? (Give name and location): _____

With what ecclesiastical body is this church affiliated? _____

Educational Background:

List all schools attended including your high school or GED.

Name of Institution	Attended From/To	Degree/Diploma Received	Year Received

Undergraduate Major(s): _____ Graduate Major(s): _____

Were you ever dropped from school for any reason? Yes No If "Yes," please explain: _____

Please request that transcripts be sent by each school directly to the Admissions Office, Southern Evangelical Seminary, 3000 Tilley Morris Rd., Matthews, NC 28105. Undergraduate students must submit high school transcripts. Graduate applicants do not need to submit high school transcripts. However, graduate students must submit undergraduate transcripts even if a graduate degree was earned. **Transcripts showing transfer of credit from one institution to another are not sufficient.** Transcripts from each institution where the courses were taken are required.

Spiritual Qualifications:

Do you know Christ as your personal Savior? Yes No When were you saved? _____

How do you intend to use the degree you expect to receive from Southern Evangelical Seminary? _____

Do you use Tobacco? Yes No Intoxicants? Yes No Narcotics? Yes No

Have you ever been charged, convicted, or plead guilty to any criminal act (other than minor traffic violations)? Yes No If

“Yes,” please explain: _____

Do we have your permission to do a background check? Yes No If Yes, license No. _____ State Issued: _____

Please indicate all significant employment and/or professional experience you have had. Begin with present employment: (Non-Degree Program Applicants need only supply current employer)

TITLE OR NATURE OF WORK/MINISTRY	EMPLOYER	DATES

References:

Print or type names and complete addresses of three persons not related to you who know you well, including, if possible, your pastor, a professional or business person, your employer, or a college professor. Give or mail the enclosed Reference forms to the individuals you have listed. Be sure to complete the waiver of rights section at the top of each Reference form.

Name	Complete Address	Occupation
1. _____	_____	_____
2. _____	_____	_____
3. _____	_____	_____

Doctrinal Statement Agreement:

Are you in agreement with the Doctrinal Statement of Southern Evangelical Seminary as set forth in the current catalog?

Yes No. If not, with what areas are you in disagreement? (Use a separate page.)

Applicant’s Statement:

I, _____, am applying for admission to a program of study at Southern Evangelical Seminary. I promise that if admitted, I will faithfully and diligently apply myself to the studies as required by the Seminary curriculum, promptly meet all financial and other obligations, and carefully observe the rules and regulations as set forth by the Seminary and its faculty. I have read, understand, and will respect the Statements of Purpose and Faith of Southern Evangelical Seminary as set forth in the current catalog.

Signature of Applicant

Date

Pastor's Recommendation

Name of Applicant: (Please Print) _____ has given your name as a reference in application for entrance to our Seminary. Please complete this form and mail it directly to the Admissions Office at the above address.

Applicant's Address: _____

- I have waived my right to see this and other recommendations.
 I have not waived my right to see this and other recommendations.

(Signature of Applicant)

Failure to sign the above indicates that the applicant has not waived his/her right to see this recommendation.

How long have you known the applicant? _____

Please rate the candidate by circling one or more items under each of the headings below.

- [a] Physical condition:
 Frequently incapacitated
 Somewhat below par
 Fairly healthy
 Good health
 Rugged and vigorous

- [b] Sociability or friendliness:
 Avoided by others
 Tolerated by others
 Liked by others
 Well-liked by others
 Sought by others

- [c] Intelligence:
 Learns and thinks slowly
 Average mental ability
 Alert; has a good mind
 Brilliant; exceptional capacity

- [d] Achievement: (Ability to formulate, execute, and carry plans to conclusion)
 Does only what is assigned
 Start but does not finish
 Meets average expectations
 Resourceful and effective
 Superior creative ability

- [e] Leadership: (Ability to inspire others and maintain their confidence)
 Makes no effort to lead
 Tries but lacks ability
 Has some leadership promise
 Good leadership ability
 Unusual ability to lead

- [f] Teamwork: (Ability to work with others)
 Frequently causes friction
 Prefers to work alone
 Usually cooperative
 Able to work with those of different personality or temperament
 Most effective in teamwork

- [g] Responsiveness: (to the feelings and needs of others)
 Slow to sense how others feel
 Reasonable responsive
 Understanding and thoughtful
 Responds with unusual insight and consideration

- [h] Emotional Adjustment:
 Yields to urges or cravings
 Easily angered, easily frustrated
 Downhearted, blue, depressed
 Maintains balance, self-control
 Tense, fearful, worried

- [i] Teachability:
Rigid, argumentative
Highly opinionated
Open minded
Willing to receive instruction
Eager to receive instructions

- [j] Perseverance: (in completing task)
Gives up easily or easily discouraged
Needs encouragement to persevere
Persists in most circumstances
Persists even under adversity

- [k] Self-image:
Insecure
Inferiority Complex
Self-confident
May be prone to boast
Modest, true estimate of self

- [l] Wisdom in use of money:
Talks frequently of debt or financial worries
Expects others to meet needs
Careless
Extravagant
Careful, has a budget

How is this person gifted for vocational Christian service?

Do you have any reason to doubt the applicant's personal integrity?
If so, please specify.

If the applicant is married, how would you evaluate his/her marriage relationship?

- Don't know Superficial Detached
- Aloof Reserved Warm
- Growing Good Communication

Listed below are some of the tendencies which, if present, may reduce the effectiveness of the student. Check characteristics or traits which you have noted in the applicant:

- Impatient
- Intolerant
- "Cocky"
- Easily embarrassed
- Impersonal
- Tense
- Unteachable
- Critical of others
- Easily offended
- Aloof
- Quick-tempered
- Lacking in humor or inability to take a joke
- Argumentative
- Self-centered
- Discouraged
- Frequently worried
- Prejudiced toward groups, races or nationalities
- Domineering
- Sullen
- Rude
- Depressed
- Anxious
- Rigid, not adaptable
- Lacking tact
- Irritable
- Nervous
- Given to exclusive and absorbing friendships, (e.g., "crushes")

Comments: _____

What do you believe to be the applicant's motivation in applying to Southern Evangelical Seminary?

How would you rate the applicant's potential success in the Christian service?

- Exceptionally good Very Good
- Good Fair Poor

Do you have any reservations in recommending this person?

Date: _____

Signature: _____

Name (please print): _____

Position: _____

Address: _____

General Recommendation #1

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Applicant's Address: _____

- I have waived my right to see this and other recommendations.
 I have not waived my right to see this and other recommendations.

 (Signature of Applicant)

Failure to sign the above indicates that the applicant has not waived his/her right to see this recommendation.

How long have you known the applicant? _____

In what relationship? Teacher Pastor Friend Employer Advisor
 Other: _____

Please rate the candidate by circling one or more items under each of the headings below.

[a] Physical condition:
 Frequently incapacitated
 Somewhat below par
 Fairly healthy
 Good health
 Rugged and vigorous

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 Avoided by others
 Tolerated by others
 Liked by others
 Well-liked by others
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 Slow to sense how others feel
 Reasonable responsive
 Understanding and thoughtful
 Responds with unusual insight and consideration

[h] Emotional Adjustment:
 Yields to urges or cravings
 Easily angered, easily frustrated
 Downhearted, blue, depressed
 Maintains balance, self-control
 Tense, fearful, worried

- [i] Teachability:
 - Rigid, argumentative
 - Highly opinionated
 - Open minded
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 - Eager to receive instructions

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 - Insecure
 - Inferiority Complex
 - Self-confident
 - May be prone to boast
 - Modest, true estimate of self

- [l] Wisdom in use of money:
 - Talks frequently of debt or financial worries
 - Expects others to meet needs
 - Careless
 - Extravagant
 - Careful, has a budget

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