# Policy on Official Schools (Post-Secondary)

# A Policy of The Christian and Missionary Alliance in Canada

# 1. General

The Christian and Missionary Alliance in Canada (the "C&MA") may designate post-secondary educational institutions as official schools of the C&MA for the purposes of teaching its beliefs and preparing persons for service.

An official school of the C&MA is one whose relationship to the C&MA (the denomination) is set out in a memorandum of understanding, officially endorsed by the governing boards of both parties, which contains, but is not limited to:

- 1.1. Commitments by the denomination to:
  - a) Endorse and promote the school and its programs.
  - b) Work collaboratively to place graduates of the school into suitable ministry in the denomination.
  - c) Support the school financially in a manner approved by the Board of Directors of the denomination.
  - d) License faculty members in biblical, theological, ministry, and other faculties who meet the qualifications for licensing in the Manual.
  - e) Invite the chief officer of the school to attend meetings of the global leadership team of the denomination.
- 1.2. Commitments by the school to:
  - a) Promote the teachings of the denomination as set forth in its statement of faith.
  - b) Prepare persons to serve domestically and internationally in the denomination through alignment of programs and courses with the purposes and priorities of the denomination.
  - c) Appoint the president of the denomination or the president's appointee to the school's governing board as well as a defined proportion of members of its governing board from members of member churches of the denomination.
  - d) Present timely reports to the Board of Directors of the denomination of impending or actual changes regarding the tenure of the chief officer of the school and impending or actual changes to the governing documents of the school.
  - e) Present annual reports (including program enrollment, placement of graduates, and the financial state of the school) to the Board of Directors of the denomination and to General Assembly when in session.

#### 2. Current official schools of The Christian and Missionary Alliance in Canada:

Ambrose University (including Ambrose Seminary) – 150 Ambrose Circle SW, Calgary, Alberta T3H 0L5

École de Théologie Évangélique du Québec – 4824, chemin de la Côte-des-Neiges, Suite 301, Montréal, Québec H3V 1G4

## 3. Additional official schools of The Christian and Missionary Alliance in Canada

Any post-secondary educational institution wishing to be designated as an official school of the C&MA, or any person(s) wishing to initiate an officially designated school of the C&MA, shall make a proposal in writing to the Board of Directors through the president. The president shall conduct appropriate review and investigative procedures in connection with the application, following which the president shall make a recommendation to the Board of Directors concerning the disposition of the application.

## 4. Amendments

This policy may be amended by a majority vote of the Board of Directors.

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