

## Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary

### ENDORSEMENT INFORMATION

Garrett-Evangelical values its service to the global church through its provision of distinctive spiritual leadership educational programs. Garrett-Evangelical also welcomes the witness and cross-cultural enrichment added to the seminary's educational community by the inclusion and participation of international students.

This partnership with other church organizations of the world community is intended to be strategic and focused with the expectation that an international student will be endorsed and sponsored by his or her denomination (or equivalent organization), is committed to returning to his or her home country and church organization with advanced education and professional skills, and is provided reasonable assurance that a leadership role will be available through the endorsing church organization at the close of his or her study program in the United States.

### ENDORING HOME CHURCH ORGANIZATION INFORMATION

1. Name of endorsing church organization \_\_\_\_\_
2. Name of endorsing church official contact person \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Alternate Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
Email \_\_\_\_\_  
Postal address \_\_\_\_\_
3. Attach a letter of endorsement from the authorized official named above as one of the five letters of reference included in your application package. In addition to the items requested in letters of reference, request that the following be included:
  - a. Relationship of endorsing home church organization with you as applicant
  - b. Relationship of endorsing church official with you as applicant and with the church organization
  - c. Reason(s) for endorsing your application for study at Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary
  - d. Explicit expectations held by the endorsing church for your future service in the home church upon completion of the study program for which you are applying. This should include any commitments for a particular appointment, role, position or program leadership responsibility that will await your return to the home church.
4. Secure an official signature of the authorized endorsing home church official on the reverse side of this page, which certifies that the official is also familiar with all policies and procedures included in the application procedures as well as the financial planning guide.

5. Add one additional page to your application personal statement specifically outlining how study at Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary will enhance or develop spiritual leadership qualifications for service within your endorsing home church organization. Include a brief description of the particular position or leadership responsibility that you expect to fill upon return to your home church after completing your anticipated educational program.
6. Certify below that the application procedures and the financial planning guide for international students have been read, understood, and will receive full compliance by each party identified.

(DO NOT PROCEED with the application if certification cannot be offered by all parties identified.)

Certified by:

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
(authorized endorsing church official)

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
(applicant)

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
(spouse, if any)