



Portland Bible College

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To Whom It May Concern:

Though Portland Bible College is committed to academic excellence and institutional soundness we have chosen not to pursue accreditation with the appropriate associations due to a religious conscience issue. This primarily has to do with our local church governance and integration which has proven to be central to our effectiveness. However, through our 40 plus year history we have been able to demonstrate our academic credibility to the satisfaction of many agencies and accredited institutions.

The college has been given an exempt degree granting status by the State of Oregon and the State of Washington. This enables the school to offer theological degrees under Oregon law (ORS 348.835) and Washington law (WAC 250-61-060 (6)). The college is also approved by the United States Department of Homeland Security for the admission of non-immigrant students. Approval by the Oregon Department of Education allows for the training of veterans who are eligible for educational benefits.

In addition to this, several formal transfer agreements have been established with regionally accredited colleges and universities, both public and private, the most recent being Multnomah University. Others include Warner Pacific College, Concordia University, Northwest Christian College, Portland State University and Pittsburgh State (Kansas). Many other colleges and universities, even without formal articulations, have accepted our credits as well. These would include The University of California at Berkeley, Arizona State, Boise State, Seattle Pacific, Baylor and Northwest University. We cannot guarantee that these or other institutions will accept our credits. It is at their discretion, but we are always willing to help.

There are a growing number of graduate schools who have honored our degrees by accepting our four-year graduates into their graduate level programs – i.e., George Fox University, Western Seminary, Fuller University, Regent University, Azusa Pacific, Multnomah, etc. They, of course, would evaluate each applicant on a case-by-case basis.

If you have any further questions, please give me a call at 503-255-3540.

Sincerely,

Ken Malmin  
Dean  
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