

Division of Higher Education

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LETTER OF EXEMPTION FROM CERTIFICATION (Church-Related Training)

Batesville Baptist Institute Seminary, of Batesville, offering church-related training programs to Arkansas students, is exempt from certification under the rules and regulations implemented under Arkansas Code Annotated §6-61-301. This Letter of Exemption is limited to the following programs:

Certificate of Ecclesiological Education **Bachelor of Bible Languages** Bachelor of Theology Doctor of Theology Doctor of Bible Languages

Associate in Bible Bachelor of Bible Master of Bible Languages Master of Theology

The predominant purpose of the programs offered by Batesville Baptist Institute Seminary is to prepare students to assume leadership positions in a church or religious organization. The programs are not customarily offered at colleges and universities, and are not required to be certified by the Arkansas Higher Education Coordinating Board.

Batesville Baptist Institute Seminary is required to notify the Commissioner of the Arkansas Division of Higher Education of any changes in institutional operation and educational offerings to Arkansas students, including course content, course titles, degree titles, and institutional name and mission.

If at any time during this exemption period Batesville Baptist Institute Seminary offers programs not listed above or offers non-church-related training courses or programs to Arkansas students, the exemption status may be withdrawn and the institution may be required to seek certification by the Arkansas Higher Education Coordinating Board.

This exemption will be in effect until December 31, 2026.

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Date