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## An Act respecting Canada Christian College and School of Graduate Theological Studies

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2nd Reading  
3rd Reading  
Royal Assent

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EXPLANATORY NOTE

The purpose of the Bill is set out in the Preamble.

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Preamble	<p>The board of trustees of the Canadian Non-Denominational Association for Education and Evangelism has applied for special legislation to incorporate a school of higher Christian learning under the name Canada Christian College and School of Graduate Theological Studies and to permit the college to grant degrees in the field of religious studies and research in higher Christian learning. The applicant represents that Canadian Non-Denominational Association for Education and Evangelism has maintained an institution of higher learning in theology, religious education, scholarship and research through courses of study leading to diplomas in Bible and religious training under the name Canada Christian College and School of Graduate Theological Studies since 1980.</p> <p>It is appropriate to grant the application.</p> <p>Therefore, Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario, enacts as follows:</p>	<p>(a) to provide instruction in higher Christian education for Christian faith and practice;</p> <p>(b) to prepare students to serve with competence in full-time Christian professions both in Canada and abroad; and</p> <p>(c) to equip students not anticipating full-time Christian service for positions to lay leadership and activity in Christian ministries.</p>	
	<p>4. (1) The affairs of the College shall be managed by its board.</p>		Board
	<p>(2) The board shall be composed of,</p>		Composition
	<p>(a) the president and vice-president of the College; and</p>		
	<p>(b) not fewer than five and not more than 15 persons who are elected to the board.</p>		
	<p>(3) A majority of the members of the board must be representatives of the Association for Education and Evangelism.</p>		Same
Definitions	<p>1. In this Act,</p> <p>“board” means the board of trustees of the College;</p> <p>“College” means Canada Christian College and School of Graduate Theological Studies incorporated under section 2;</p> <p>“faculty” means employees of the College who hold the academic rank of professor, lecturer, instructor or librarian;</p> <p>“student” means a person who is registered as such in a program or course of study at the College that leads to a degree, diploma or certificate of the College.</p>		
	<p>(4) Subject to subsection (7), the term of office of the elected members of the board is three years.</p>		Term of office
	<p>(5) An elected member of the board shall not be eligible to serve for more than nine consecutive years but on the expiration of one year after having completed the ninth consecutive year, a person is again eligible for membership on the board.</p>		Same
	<p>(6) Service on the first board or for the balance of an unexpired term shall not be included in the calculation of the nine consecutive years referred to in subsection (5).</p>		Same
Incorporation	<p>2. (1) Canada Christian College and School of Graduate Theological Studies is hereby constituted as a corporation without share capital consisting of the members of its board.</p>		
	<p>(2) All property and trusts held by the Canadian Non-Denominational Association for Education and Evangelism for the purposes of Canada Christian College and School of Graduate Theological Studies, and any liabilities which relate to the operation of Canada Christian College and School of Graduate Theological Studies, are hereby vested in the College as of the day this Act receives Royal Assent.</p>		
Property, trusts, liabilities		<p>(7) The board may by by-law provide for the election and retirement in rotation of the elected members of the board and may determine that one or more of the first elected members shall serve for an initial term of less than three years.</p>	Election and retirement in rotation
	<p>(8) The board shall elect a chair from among its members.</p>		Chair
	<p>(9) Three members of the board constitute a quorum at any meeting.</p>		Quorum
Objects	<p>3. The objects of the College are,</p>	<p>(10) The first members of the board shall be the persons named in the Schedule.</p>	First board

No remuneration	(11) Members of the board shall serve without remuneration but may be reimbursed for reasonable expenses incurred by them in the performance of their duties as members of the board.	(i) borrow money for the purposes of the College and give security for it on such terms and in such amounts as it may consider advisable;	
Same	(12) The president and vice-president of the College are entitled to receive remuneration, at the discretion of the board, in their capacity as president and vice-president but not in their capacity as members of the board.	(j) enact by-laws generally for the conduct of the affairs of the College.	
Eligibility	(13) No person shall be a member of the board unless he or she is a Canadian citizen or permanent resident of Canada.	6. The board may grant the degrees of Bachelor of Theology, Bachelor of Religious Education, Bachelor of Christian Counselling, Bachelor of Divinity, Bachelor of Sacred Music, Master of Theological Studies, Master of Religious Education, Master of Christian Counselling, Master of Divinity, Master of Sacred Music, Doctor of Ministry, Doctor of Theology, Doctor of Christian Counselling and Doctor of Sacred Music.	Degree granting power
Vacancy	(14) Where a vacancy occurs among the members of the board, the board may appoint a new person to fill the vacancy for the balance of the vacating member's unexpired term.		
Powers of the board	5. (1) The board has all the powers necessary or convenient to perform its duties and achieve the objects of the College.	7. (1) Subject to subsections (2) and (3), the meetings of the board shall be open to the public and no person shall be excluded from a meeting except for improper conduct as determined by the board.	Meetings open to the public
Same	(2) Without restricting the generality of subsection (1), the board may,	(2) Where a matter is confidential to the College, the part of the meeting concerning that matter may be closed to the public.	Confidential matters
	(a) appoint the president of the College, who shall be the chief academic officer, and define the duties and responsibilities of the president;	(3) Where a matter is of a personal nature concerning an individual, the part of the meeting concerning the individual shall be closed to the public unless the individual and the board agree that that part of the meeting be open to the public.	Personal matters
	(b) appoint the vice-president of the College and define the duties and responsibilities of the vice-president;		
	(c) appoint, promote, grant tenure and leave to, suspend and remove members of the faculty and academic officers;	(4) Prior notice of the meetings of the board shall be given to the members of the board and to the public in such manner as the board shall by by-law determine.	Notice
	(d) appoint committees and, if a majority of the members of a committee are members of the board, delegate any of the board's power to the committee;	(5) The by-laws of the College shall be open to examination by the public during the normal office hours of the College.	By-laws open to public
	(e) award diplomas and certificates, grant the degrees set out in section 6 and confer honorary degrees;	(6) The College shall publish its by-laws at the time and in the manner that the board considers proper.	Publication of by-laws
	(f) enact by-laws respecting the doctrinal statement of the College.		
	(g) invest all money that comes into the College that is not required to be expended, for any purpose to which it lawfully may be applied, subject always to any express limitations or restrictions on investment powers imposed by the terms of any trust, in such manner as it considers proper and, except where a trust instrument otherwise directs, to combine trust money belonging to various trusts in its care into a common trust fund;	8. (1) The board shall appoint one or more persons licensed under the <i>Public Accountancy Act</i> to audit the accounts and transactions of the College at least once a year.	Audit
	(h) hold, manage, sell or convert any of the real personal property from time to time owned by the College and to invest and reinvest any principal in such manner as the board may from time to time determine;	(2) The annual audited statement of the College shall be made available in the manner determined by the board to every person who, in the previous two years, donated \$100 or more to the College.	Available to supporters
		9. (1) The College shall be carried on without the purpose of gain for the members of the board.	Non-profit corporation
		(2) Any surplus of the College shall be used solely in promoting its objects.	Surplus
		10. (1) The academic council of the College is established and is composed of,	Academic council

- (a) the president and vice-president of the College;
- (b) such number of members of the faculty, not to exceed three, as is determined by the president and vice-president; and
- (c) three members of the board, other than the president and vice-president, appointed by the board.
- Functions (2) The academic council shall manage the academic affairs of the College and may,
- (a) recommend to the board the establishment and termination of programs and courses of study;
- (b) determine the curricula of programs and courses of study;
- (c) determine the standards of admission to and continued registration in the College;
- (d) determine the qualifications for graduation and for conferring diplomas, certificates and degrees;
- (e) determine all matters related to examinations and the appointment of examiners;
- (f) award fellowships, scholarships, bursaries, medals, prizes and other marks of academic achievement;
- (g) appoint committees and delegate to them the power and authority to act for it on any matter set out in clauses (a) to (f), as long as a majority of the members of the committee are members of the academic council or faculty.
- (3) The president of the College and, in his or her absence, the vice-president, is the presiding officer at academic council meetings. Presiding officer
- 11.** Upon the dissolution of the College and after the payment of all debts and liabilities, the remaining property of the College shall be distributed to one or more charitable organizations in Canada having objects of an educational nature similar to those of the College. Dissolution
- 12. This Act comes into force on the day it receives Royal Assent.** Commencement
- 13. The short title of this Act is the *Canada Christian College and School of Graduate Theological Studies Act, 1999.*** Short title

## SCHEDULE

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