



COMMUNITY LIFE COVENANT

Jamaica Theological Seminary (JTS) operates in harmony with the beliefs of the Evangelical Christian Community. In order for any community to function effectively, it is necessary for that community to establish behavioural expectations that govern its members. The Seminary acknowledges that every adult has the right and responsibility to establish his or her personal lifestyle. At the same time, your conduct is expected to be consistent with the ideals and purposes of the Christian community that defines us. When Jamaica Theological Seminary students show respect for order, honesty, courtesy professionalism and a high standard of morality as stated in this document and the JTS Student Handbook, they are interacting in a manner that promotes the Seminary ideals. All students are encouraged to be open to learning about the Christian faith and are expected to uphold the school's policies.

STATEMENT OF AGREEMENT WITH INSTITUTIONAL POLICY

Academic and Community Expectations

Please sign below only *after you have read and agreed to abide by the expectations listed*. **Compliance with the standards below is an absolute requirement for all students.**

Students must conform to all policies and regulations relating to the academic, spiritual, and social character of the campus environment. These include, but are not limited to, the following:

1. As a student at this institution, I pledge to uphold the highest standards of academic integrity. I pledge not to lie, cheat, plagiarize or steal in my academic endeavours, or to knowingly benefit from the actions of those who do.
2. I pledge to conduct myself responsibly and honorably and to pursue excellence in all my academic activities as a JTS student.
3. I pledge to make full use of the opportunities for spiritual formation. Corporate worship is very important at Jamaica Theological Seminary. JTS provides chapel programmes. Chapel is required unconditionally. Denominational affiliation or non confessional status are not valid excuses. Typically classes at JTS begin with prayer. Likewise teachers and students may speak openly about Jesus Christ, the Bible and a Christian lifestyle.
4. All programs of study at JTS will include components in Bible and Theology for which there are no exemptions.
5. All students must also complete 45 hours of voluntary community service within their first year.
6. Sexual Conduct: Sexual misconduct including sex between persons of the opposite sex who are not married to each other and all homosexual activities are an offence. Pornography on any JTS equipment or personal equipment being used on JTS property is prohibited.

7. General Conduct: In general students are encouraged to abstain from the possession and use of offensive weapons, drugs, tobacco and alcohol. Rage, violence, threats, the use of profanities, vulgar and uncontrolled behaviour and generally offensive conduct will be sanctioned.
8. Gambling: Gambling: In general we support proper stewardship of all our resources, as such taking artificial risks including gambling in all its forms is prohibited.
9. Dress code: Students are required to adhere to standards of good grooming and modesty. Further details can be found in the Student Handbook.
10. If admitted to Jamaica Theological Seminary, you are expected to abide by the rules and regulations of the institution as contained in the current Student Handbook. It is your responsibility to read this Handbook before or soon after being admitted to the Seminary and to be aware of the policies outlined. The Student Handbook can be found here: http://jts.edu.jm/forms/Students_Handbook_2013.pdf

Students who find themselves out of harmony with these standards or whose conduct or attitude shows evidence of a negative or uncooperative behaviour should expect disciplinary action.

I have read the Community Agreement of Jamaica Theological Seminary and upon my submittance I agree to comply with the rules and regulations and shall respect JTS's standards while enrolled as a student. I recognize that these standards involve good citizenship, personal honour, regards for the rights of others and respect for duly constituted leadership. I accept that failure on my part to comply with these agreed standards may result in disciplinary action being taken against me. These may include measures outlined in the Student Handbook, such as suspension, expulsion, forfeiture of scholarships and bursaries or any other such measure as may from time to time be imposed by the disciplinary committee of the seminary.

If my application is accepted, I agree to abide by the policies, standards, and regulations at Jamaica Theological Seminary and respect the ideals, principles, and traditions it upholds as a Christian institution of higher learning. I authorize the Seminary to verify the information I have provided. I further understand that this information will be relied upon by the officials of the Seminary in determining my admission status and that the submission of false information is grounds for rejection of my application, withdrawal of an offer of acceptance, dismissal from the Seminary, revocation of a degree, and/or other disciplinary action.

Applicant's Name [PLEASE USE CAPITAL LETTERS]:

Applicant's Signature _____

Date ____/____/____