



FOSTER COLLEGE
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Walk Into a
Faith-Fueled Future



A Message from the President

Thank you for taking the time to learn about Foster College, where we are dedicated to delivering a high-quality education grounded in Christian values and academic excellence. Our mission is to equip students to live, serve, and lead with godly influence in their communities and around the world.

Whether you aspire to pursue a degree, join one of our peer cohorts, or engage in a micro-course, conference, or seminar, Foster College offers a nurturing environment focused on your spiritual growth and academic success. Together, we are shaping a future where faith, education, and service unite to create lasting, transformative impact.

We would be honored to welcome you into the Foster College family, where you can embark on a transformative journey through a faith-enriched education that shapes both your life and future.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Terrance A. Ford". The signature is stylized and cursive.

Terrance A. Ford, Ph.D.
President



Where Faith and Education Converge

At Foster College, you are not just enrolling in a school; you are joining a community deeply committed to faith, learning, and service. Our programs are designed to meet diverse needs, offering flexible and culturally relevant learning opportunities that prepare students for impactful service and leadership in both ministry and the marketplace.

Formerly known as Southern Bible Institute & College, Foster College is a historically black institution that has been a beacon of biblical education and spiritual development since 1927. Based in Dallas, Texas, we are committed to equipping men and women for vocational and career pathways through Christ-centered academic programs.

Foster College offers a diverse range of collegiate education options, including professional certificates, associate degrees, and bachelor's degrees, all tailored to meet the needs of today's students. Our thoughtfully curated curriculum features biblical studies, theology, practical ministry, general studies, and vocational concentrations. We provide a supportive, multicultural learning environment that equips graduates to serve with integrity, wisdom, and a deeper application of God's Word wherever their paths may lead.

Prospective Students

Foster College proudly offers flexible and relatable education designed for today's students, especially those who are often overlooked. We are committed to providing Bible-centered, faith-enriched curricula that honor the unique contexts, traditions, and cultures of African American and other ethnic minority Christians. For those seeking distance education, our programs are designed to meet the growing demand for accessible, high-quality off-campus studies.

✓ Personalized Attention



✓ Affordable and Accessible



We are dedicated to making education accessible and affordable, offering competitively priced tuition and financial aid for qualifying students.

✓ Accredited by the Association for Biblical Higher Education (ABHE)



Foster College, accredited by ABHE (a USDE-recognized organization), upholds the highest standards of academic excellence and biblical integration.



Foster College: Right Choice, Right Now



Academic Excellence from Esteemed Faculty

With a diverse range of programs spanning theology, ministry, general education, and career-focused concentrations, we prepare you to pursue your passion with integrity and wisdom. Our faculty are not just teachers; they are mentors dedicated to guiding you through rigorous academic instruction anchored in God's Word.



Culturally Relevant Curriculum

Through ethno-sensitive and culturally relevant programs, we proudly honor the heritage and traditions of the African American Christian experience. At the same time, we strive to provide unique educational opportunities that resonate with students from all backgrounds and faith journeys, regardless of ethnicity.



Engaging Online and On-Campus Learning

Our classes provide real-time interaction with professors and peers, whether online or on campus. This interactive approach creates a highly relational learning community, encouraging meaningful connections and collaborative learning.

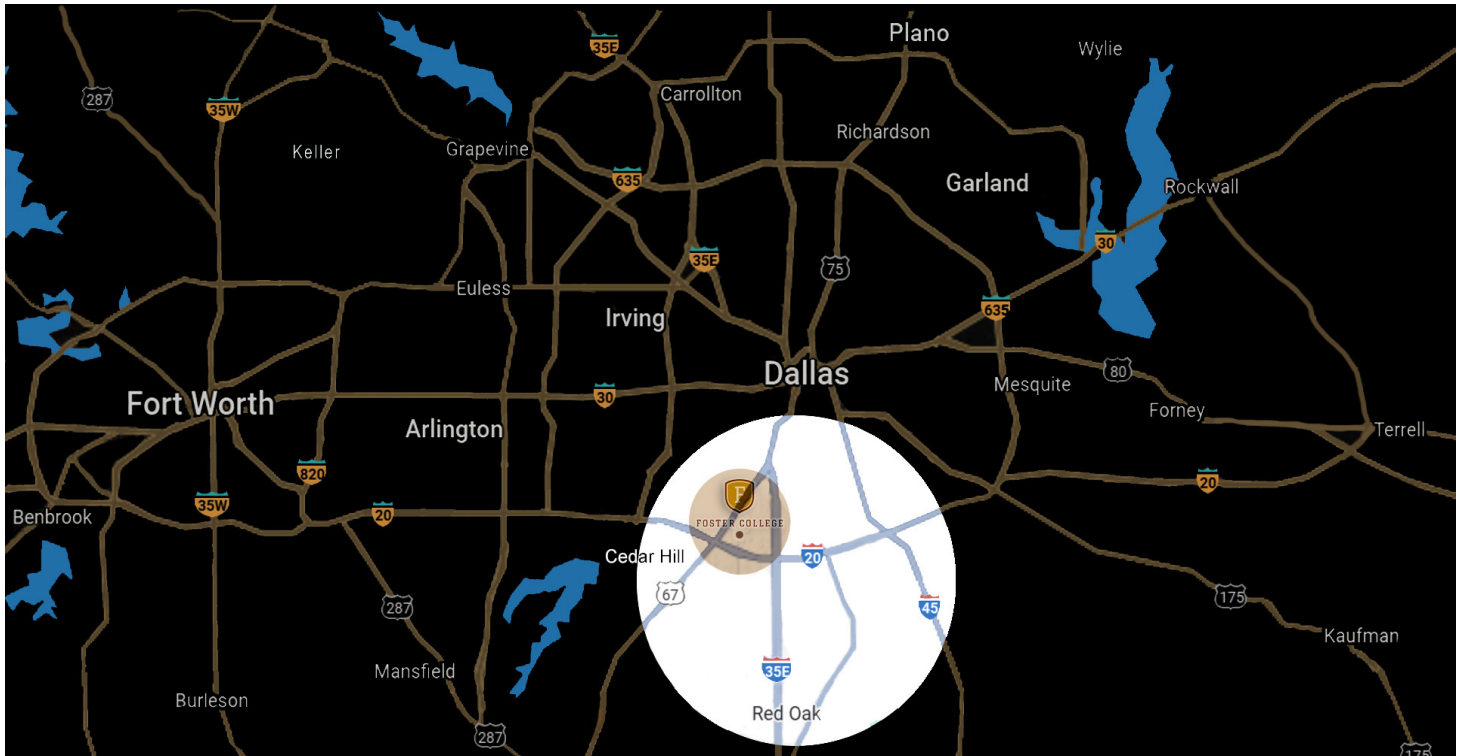


Graduate Degree Opportunities

We have developed pathways for Foster graduates aspiring to pursue graduate-level ministry studies. These pathways offer streamlined access to high-quality master's degree programs through our trusted partner institutions.

At the Heart of Urban Dallas

Elevated on 12.5 Acres at the Corner of South Hampton and Camp Wisdom Roads



Distance from Campus:

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| The Shops at RedBird | 1.4 mi |
| Dallas Executive Airport | 2.3 mi |
| Bishop Arts District | 6.9 mi |
| Oak Cliff Bible Fellowship | 0.7 mi |
| Friendship-West Church | 1.3 mi |
| Concord Church | 1.4 mi |
| US Highway 67 | 1.0 mi |
| Interstate Highway 20 | 1.4 mi |
| Interstate Highway 35E | 3.4 mi |





A College Where No One Walks Alone

Foster College's peer cohorts offer students a built-in support network that encourages collaboration, accountability, and a strong sense of community. Through shared academic journeys, students strengthen their retention and significantly increase their likelihood of successful matriculation and graduation.

Young Student Cohort Young Adults(18-27)

Foster College is committed to offering young Christians a college education that seamlessly integrates faith and academics. This distinctive approach fosters personal transformation and provides purposeful direction, grounding your post-high school journey in faith.

The Young Student Cohort is a peer group of students aged 18-27 who begin their Foster College journey together in the same academic year. During your first two years, you'll participate in transformative, campus-sponsored activities designed to build meaningful relationships and lasting bonds with your cohort.

Proficiency as a Faith Conversationalist

As a member of the Young Student Cohort, you'll develop essential soft skills for navigating faith discussions. This competency empowers you to confidently address questions about your Christian beliefs and engage in faith-centered conversations with greater ease and effectiveness.

Daniel Scholars

Full-time students in the Young Student Cohort with a minimum 3.0 high school GPA are eligible for special recognition as Daniel Scholars. This distinction provides additional access to specialized mentorship, dedicated financial assistance, and community service opportunities, all designed to help you grow as a future leader and godly influencer. As a Daniel Scholar, you will be equipped to excel as a leader within faith-based Christian communities and in broader societal circles.

Milestone Degree Cohort Un-Degreed Senior Adults (60 or Older)

There are many unique challenges that come with balancing work, family responsibilities, or retirement while pursuing higher education. That's why we offer flexible, part-time class schedules and online options tailored specifically for working and retired adults, fostering a culture of lifelong learning and growth.

Achieve Your Academic Goals

Our Milestone Degree Cohort is designed to inspire and support senior adults who have yet to attain a college degree. This exceptional opportunity encourages you to pursue an accredited Associate of Science in Biblical Studies, marking a significant milestone achievement in your life.

Specialized Tutorial and Technology Support

Foster College is dedicated to supporting your educational journey through the Milestone Degree Cohort. Our specialized tutorial and technology assistance provides older students with the resources needed to build academic confidence while growing intellectually and spiritually.



President's Cohort Enrolled Active Senior Pastors



At Foster College, we deeply honor senior and lead pastors who are committed to serving their congregations while advancing their education. This prestigious cohort is uniquely designed to help you balance ministry responsibilities, deepen your theological knowledge, build lifelong relationships with fellow pastors, and enhance your ministry's impact.

Direct Benefits of the President's Cohort

As a member of the President's Cohort, you will receive:

- **Dedicated time with the president** for mentorship and guidance.
 - **Specialized field education** tailored to pastoral leadership.
 - **Access to "pastors-only" courses** scheduled to accommodate the cohort's availabilities.
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Ready to Start Walking Your **Academic Pathway**

We wholeheartedly recognize that Christ followers can be godly influencers both in and through their vocations. No matter your educational path, we are dedicated to nurturing your spiritual and academic journey by providing an educational experience tailored to your aspirations. Whether you are stepping into ministry for the first time, deepening your spiritual knowledge, or preparing for a career, Foster College is ready to support your growth and purpose.

Ministry Pathway

Equipping for Ministry, Leadership, and Service

If your passion is calling you to vocational, co-vocational, or voluntary ministry, we are here to equip you for meaningful leadership and service. Whether you are a pastor, youth leader, ministry worker, or seeking deeper biblical knowledge, our Ministry Pathway provides comprehensive education and training that prepare you to lead and serve with confidence and enduring impact.

Marketplace Pathway

Faith-Enriched Degree Programs for Careers in the Marketplace

If your goal is to integrate your career and faith, we are ready to guide you through the complexities of the modern world with a foundation rooted in biblical principles. Through our Marketplace Pathway, you will gain the knowledge and skills needed for success in secular professions while cultivating a strong character anchored in faith.



Empower Your Journey

Gain the knowledge and skills to succeed in your field

Programs & Credentials

Foster College offers a variety of programs and credentials to meet your educational goals. Our credentialed offerings include professional development certificates, associate degrees, and bachelor's degrees, each with the flexibility to focus on a concentration tailored to your interests. Every program features a core curriculum, including Bible and Technology, New Testament Survey, Old Testament Survey, Biblical Foundations for Servant Leadership, and Survey of Theology or authorized alternatives. Discover the program and credentials that align with your aspirations and take the next step in your educational journey.



Bachelor Degrees

Bachelor degrees are typically earned after four years of full-time study, offering fundamental knowledge and upper-level undergraduate skills in an academic discipline or profession.

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**Bachelor of Arts
 Biblical & Theological
 Studies**
 (123 cr)

**Bachelor of Science Biblical
 Studies***
 (48 cr)

**Prior B.A., B.S., or equivalent
 degree required*



Associate Degrees

Associate degrees are two-year undergraduate programs that provide foundational knowledge and introductory skills in specific fields or disciplines.

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**Associate of Arts
 General Studies**
 (66+ cr)

**Associate of Science
 Biblical Studies**
 (66+ cr)



Professional Development Certificates

Professional Development certificates focus on coursework designed for direct vocational or ministry education, emphasizing practical readiness.

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Biblical Counseling (27 cr)

Bible Exposition (27 cr)

Digital Ministry (27 cr)

Pastoral Leadership (27 cr)

Equipping Women (27 cr)



Micro-Credentials

Micro-credentials are focused, short-term learning programs designed to develop specific skills or knowledge in a particular area. These credentials are ideal for individuals seeking to enhance their expertise, boost their employability, or gain practical, targeted training in a flexible and accessible format.

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*Contact the MEH Center
 for Servant Leadership for
 available micro-courses.*

Streamlined Admissions & Affordable Tuition



Enrolling at Foster College is a straightforward, three-step process:

1 Choose

Explore our range of degrees, certificates and cohorts, then select the path best suited for your goals.

2 Review

Familiarize yourself with upcoming semester schedules, course catalog details, tuition deadlines, and more.

3 Apply

Complete your application, including the Statement of Faith, recommendations, and church endorsement.

Get started at foster.edu/admissions.

Transferable Credits

We welcome transfer credits from accredited institutions that meet our standards of quality and relevance. Please note that credits from courses completed more than 10 years ago or with grades below a 'C' will not be eligible for transfer. Additionally, these transfer credits will not be included in the calculation of your cumulative grade point average (CGPA) at Foster College.

Foster College conducts individual assessments for applicants with credits from non-accredited institutions, including courses from unaccredited SBI programs, to determine transfer eligibility. To be considered, these courses must have been completed with a grade of 'C' or above. Additionally, scores from the Bible Content Assessment may be taken into account during the review process.

Tuition & Fees

Our straightforward financial structure and scholarship opportunities ensure that you can focus on your studies without undue financial stress. Ask about available scholarships and tuition support.



Semester Fee



Books



Tuition

Recurring Semester Costs

MEH Center for Servant Leadership

Making Non-Collegiate Opportunities Accessible for Growth and Engagement

The Martin E. Hawkins Center for Servant Leadership (MEH Center) is committed to cultivating authentic servant leadership, fostering meaningful cultural and community engagement, and advancing the mission of Foster College through partnerships with local churches, the marketplace, and the wider community—all grounded in a Christ-centered worldview.

As a cornerstone of Foster College's community engagement initiatives, the MEH Center focuses on providing non-degree seekers with access to continued education and transformative learning opportunities. Its tailored programs are designed to enhance ministry skills for church leaders and workers, or to support professional growth for community service and marketplace advancement. Ultimately, the MEH Center aims to empower you to thrive as a well-rounded, lifelong learner in all aspects of your life.

MEH Center: Micro-Courses

The MEH Center Micro-Credentialing Program is an innovative educational initiative designed to meet the needs of modern Christian leaders, ministry professionals, and community servants. Focusing on key areas such as Christian theology, church history, apologetics, and ministry leadership, this program offers a structured, tiered approach to learning. It will empower you to deepen your faith, cultivate essential ministry skills, and prepare for impactful leadership roles within your community.

Explore Micro-Course listings and other MEH Center info at: foster.edu/mehcenter

Find Your Place to Grow at the MEH Center

In addition to the micro-credentialing program, the MEH Center provides enriching experiences through community activities, conferences, and projects. Here are a few opportunities available to you:

- **Connecting Christ & Culture** | *conference; podcast; publications*
 - **Alumni Affairs** | *connection sessions; special activities*
 - **Community Relations** | *pastors and churches network events*
 - **Field Education** | *student practicums; internships; ministry/job placement*
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