

## Global University Canada Overview of Graduate Mentorship Opportunity

Global University Canada, as a regional office of Global University (Springfield, MO), offers a full Masters-level program including a Master of Divinity as well as six Master of Arts programs in Biblical and Ministerial Studies (refer to the GU Graduate School of Theology catalogue for details).

All of Global University's programs at the undergraduate and graduate level are accredited by the Higher Learning Commission (<http://www.ncahlc.org/>) which provides accreditation for many prestigious institutions such as Notre Dame University, The University of Chicago, Trinity International University (formerly Trinity Evangelical Divinity School) and Wheaton College.

As a correspondence university, Global provides support for the work of its students through its extensive network of qualified adjunct faculty. Students studying at the graduate level are assigned a mentor holding a doctoral degree (PhD, ThD, DMin, etc.) who is certified to support specific graduate courses based upon his or her areas of expertise.

### **What Are the Responsibilities of a Graduate Mentor?<sup>1</sup>**

Global University's School of Graduate Studies seeks to provide advanced, in-depth, specialized study of the Bible and related subjects at a post-bachelor's degree level. Its purpose is to equip students for individual research, personal scholarship and cultural awareness. It does this by providing theologically sound graduate-level degree courses that furnish students with intellectually broad and deep learning activities and experiences that are responsive to the spiritual and intellectual needs of ministry leaders.

Each student in the graduate program is assigned a Mentor for each course taken. The role of the Mentor is to facilitate student learning and evaluate assigned research and writing assignments. The Mentor interacts with the student in person or by mail, telephone, email, or fax.

#### *Basic Course Responsibilities:*

1. Maintain contact with the student throughout the course in order to monitor progress as well as answer questions and provide encouragement.
2. Mark the student's unit progress essays (courses can have 3, 4, or 5 units each made up of several lessons) as well as their final paper (~5,000 words). Provide written comments on their work.
3. Complete the Course Record and send it to the Graduate Studies Centre (Global University Canada office) along with a marked copy of the final paper.

In some cases graduate mentors may also supervise a thesis or mark a program capstone paper. Separate remuneration is provided for each of these activities.

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<sup>1</sup> A detailed description of the spiritual, professional, academic and cultural responsibilities as well as the relationships of the graduate mentor is provided in the *Mentor Handbook, Graduate Degree Programs*.

## How Can I Become a GUC Graduate Mentor?

There are six steps involved in becoming a GUC graduate mentor:

1. Complete a GU Adjunct Faculty application. Those seeking Adjunct faculty status must complete the following three forms: Faculty Application, Faculty Resume, and the Faculty Request for Academic Records. The *Application and Resume* forms can be either e-mailed, faxed, or mailed to Academic Affairs for processing. To ensure these are the current forms, contact the Global University Canada. Outdated forms will not be accepted for application. The Division of Academic Affairs communicates with prospective faculty applicants through GU's National Offices.

All undergraduate faculty must have earned a master's degree to qualify for a faculty position with GU.

2. Request that official transcripts of your undergraduate, graduate and post-graduate work be sent to directly to Global University Academic Affairs in the US.
3. Adjunct faculty application approved by the GU Faculty Council will receive notification from the Provost of acceptance as a Adjunct Faculty member, faculty rank, faculty ID #, and password to access the Online Resource Center.
4. Approved Adjunct Faculty with a doctoral degree will receive approval from the Dean of the School of Graduate Studies to serve as a graduate mentor and notification of the specific courses in which they are qualified to mentor students.
5. Sign an academic mentoring agreement with the School of Graduate Studies (US).
6. Sign a financial mentoring agreement with the Graduate Studies Centre in your country (in this case, Global University Canada). Currently mentors are paid \$200 per student per course mentored for 3 and 4-unit courses and \$250 for a 5-unit course.

## Where Can I Get More Information?

1. Go to the Global University Canada website ([www.globaluniversity.ca](http://www.globaluniversity.ca)) and select the "Graduate Mentors" link. There you can download the following resources:

1. Faculty Handbook
2. Graduate Catalogue
3. Graduate Student Handbook

2. Contact Annie Herbert:

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