The College of Biblical Studies is a Private Not-for-Profit, 501(c)(3) institution that is recognized by a number of quality assurance agencies for granting degrees. The Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board (THECB), through a Texas Supreme Court ruling regarding a special provision under sections 61.304 and 61.313(a) of the Texas Education Code, has granted CBS the authority to grant degrees under religious exemption because the institution's degrees are entirely religious in nature.

CBS is one of a few schools to hold dual-accredited status in the Southeast region. Accredited status is the membership status granted to those colleges that meet their accreditor's conditions for eligibility and that substantially achieve their respective missions and the criteria for accreditation. It further indicates a demonstrated commitment to ongoing institutional development. CBS believes firmly in the accreditation process to demonstrate excellence (Phil. 4:8-9) in everything it does to prepare students for their God-given calling in life and ministry.

## **Association of Biblical Higher Education**

As its primary accreditor, <u>College of Biblical Studies</u>-Houston is accredited by the Association for Biblical Higher Education Commission on Accreditation, an institutional accrediting body recognized by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation (and/or the U.S. Department of Education). ABHE may be contacted at 5850 T.G. Lee Blvd., Suite 130, Orlando, FL 32822, 407.207.0808; <u>www.abhe.org</u>.

## Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC)

<u>College of Biblical Studies</u>-Houston is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges to award associate and baccalaureate degrees. Contact the Commission on Colleges at 1866 Southern Lane, Decatur, Georgia 30033-4097 or call 404-679-4500 for questions about the accreditation of College of Biblical Studies-Houston: <u>www.sacscoc.org</u>.

## How do I learn more about accreditation?

For a deeper understanding of the accreditation process in the United States, as well as the listing of all recognized accreditors, please visit the Council for Higher Education Accreditation (CHEA) <u>website</u>.

**Note:** The curriculum supporting the Associate of Biblical Studies with a major in Biblical Studies degree program is primarily biblical and theological in nature. It is not to be confused or mistaken for an Associate of Liberal Arts degree as may be obtained from a traditional junior college or four-year college. The hours earned at the associate's level at CBS will best transfer to schools and colleges that espouse a biblical and theological curriculum.

For more information about transferring credits, please visit <u>http://cbshouston.edu/transferring-to-cbs</u>.

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