

STRATEGIC PLAN: OUTCOMES

2026 - 2029

1. Graduates excel in congregational renewal and transformation
2. Right-sized Student Body achieved and maintained
3. Strong support for advanced degree research
4. Expanded national presence and public learning
5. Deepened Indigenous engagement and program strength
6. Strong collaborative ecosystem
7. Superior online experience and inclusive learning environment
8. Strong foundation and donor engagement
9. Fully staffed, well supported faculty with future ready planning
10. Strong staff onboarding, PD, and governance culture



MISSION & VISION

VANCOUVER SCHOOL OF THEOLOGY

VISION

VANCOUVER SCHOOL OF THEOLOGY IS CALLED TO EDUCATE AND FORM THOUGHTFUL, ENGAGED AND GENEROUS CHRISTIAN LEADERS

MISSION

FAITHFUL DISCERNMENT OF DEMANDS OF CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP
RIGOROUS ENGAGEMENT WITH TRADITION AND CONTEMPORARY LEARNING
COLLABORATION WITH INDIGENOUS CHURCH AND OTHER FAITH TRADITIONS

COMMITMENTS

THEOLOGICAL EDUCATION FOR FORMATION AND FLOURISHING
INSPIRING CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP
RESPECT FOR DIGNITY OF EVERY PERSON
DILIGENCE AND OPENNESS IN SCHOLARSHIP
ENCOURAGING PROPHETIC SPEECH FOR THE WELFARE OF THE WORLD

GUIDING PRINCIPLES

THOUGHTFUL
CRITICAL, CONSTRUCTIVE AND CREATIVE THINKING

ENGAGED
WE TEACH FOR PRACTICE AND PRACTICE IS RESEARCH INFORMED

GENEROUS
WE ACTIVELY LOOK FOR PARTNERS WHO HAVE MISSION AFFINITY

STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES

FORMATION FOR LEADERSHIP
EXCELLENCE IN TEACHING
STRONG CHURCH RELATIONSHIPS
CUTTING EDGE IT RESOURCES
STRONG COMMUNITY COLLABORATIONS
PRIORITY SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS
PRUDENT STEWARDSHIP OF RESOURCES
OUTSTANDING AND COMPLEMENTARY FACULTY
A TEAM COMMITTED TO THE MISSION/VISION

THEOLOGICAL AFFIRMATIONS

1. God calls a people from and for the world to be a blessing for all creation.
2. The God revealed in the history of Israel and in Jesus Christ calls us to think together with tradition for the sake of the present and the future.
3. We meet God's image in our neighbour and in all creation.

GUIDING DOCUMENTS

- VST ACT 1971
- VST Board Policy Governance Manual
- ATS Accreditation Standards
- BC Accreditation Requirements
- Faculty Handbook