

Vancouver School of Theology

Vision, Mission, Values and Goals

Vision

In the Spirit, we are called to be faithful and discerning disciples of Jesus Christ, witnessing to the living God.

Mission

Vancouver School of Theology is an institution of theological education, inspiring its community:

- To engage issues of truth, justice and spiritual growth,
- To develop ministries in the service of Jesus Christ, and
- To partner with First Nations and the global aboriginal community.

Values

As a community of faith, we value:

- Biblical and theological learning,
- An integrated life of mature Christian spirituality and discerning ethics,
- Denominational commitment, ecumenical action and interfaith engagement,
- Diversity of cultures and the dignity of individuals,
- Learning undertaken with diligence and an open mind.

Goals

1. **Learning:** Provide a stimulating theological learning environment, with exceptional opportunities for the formation of the whole people of God
2. **Scholarship:** Maintain excellence in scholarship in the disciplines of theological studies
3. **People:** Sustain an outstanding community of students, faculty and staff who reflect the diversity of Canada
4. **Spiritual Life:** Continue to open ourselves to the presence of the Spirit in all aspects of the life of the School
5. **Partnerships:** Strengthen the School's relationships with its supporting denominations and with churches and other theological institutions and churches of the Pacific Rim, and reinforce its enduring partnership with Aboriginal peoples
6. **Stewardship:** Practice and teach responsible stewardship, including sound financial management, in all facets of the School's life.