

# Student Charter and Covenant

#### Welcome

Dear Students of the Alexandrian Institute,

I am delighted to welcome you to our community!

Our mission is to form students in Christ's Word, to gain wisdom for service in God's church and for faithful engagement with the world. In the Alexandrian Institute, we joyfully confess our trust in Holy Scripture as the inerrant and authoritative Word of God, the sure foundation for knowing Him and walking faithfully in His world. We seek to think theologically in a way that unites the study of Scripture, doctrine, and culture—believing that all truth is illuminated by God's self-revelation in Christ. Rooted in the Great Tradition, we aim to teach students to receive the wisdom of the Church through the ages as a rich inheritance, drawing especially from the ecumenical creeds and the Reformers' faithful renewal of them. With minds sharpened for research and hearts formed for worship, we seek to equip you to cultivate rigorous, charitable engagement with the diverse ideas shaping our world, so that you may bear faithful witness to Christ wherever and whenever you find yourself in his world.

As an Alexandrian Institute student, you enter our learning community with certain rights and responsibilities. In this Student Charter and Covenant we have articulated what it is we believe and our institutional commitments to you, as well as our expectations of you in academic and moral integrity, formation, and Christian conduct. We invite you a covenant with us through your affirmation of this statement, that we might foster a faithful learning community for the glory of God and the building up of his church.

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#### Statement of Faith

The Alexandrian Institute is a global community united by conviction and called by purpose. Rooted in the Great Tradition and grounded in the authority of Holy Scripture, we are evangelical, confessional, and global. The faculty's commitment to students is to teach the Bible in alignment with the faith as articulated in the Apostles' Creed, Nicene Creed, and the Chalcedonian Definition, and as affirmed in the statement of faith of the Universities and Colleges Christian Fellowship (U.K.).

#### Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

#### Nicene Creed

We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is,
seen and unseen.
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,



of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

#### Chalcedonian Definition

Therefore, following the holy fathers, we all with one accord teach men to acknowledge one and the same Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, at once complete in Godhead and complete in manhood, truly God and truly man, consisting also of a reasonable soul and body; of one substance with the Father as regards his Godhead, and at the same time of one substance with us as regards his manhood; like us in all respects, apart from sin; as regards his Godhead, begotten of the Father before the ages, but yet as regards his manhood begotten, for us men and for our salvation, of Mary the Virgin, the God-bearer; one and the same Christ, Son, Lord, Only-begotten, recognized in two natures, without confusion, without change, without division, without separation; the distinction of natures being in no way annulled by the union, but rather the characteristics of each nature being preserved and coming together to form one person and subsistence, not as parted or separated into two persons, but one and the same Son and Onlybegotten God the Word, Lord Jesus Christ; even as the prophets from earliest times spoke of him, and our Lord Jesus Christ himself taught us, and the creed of the fathers has handed down to us.

#### UCCF (UK) Statement of Faith

1. There is one God in three persons, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit.

- 2. God is sovereign in creation, revelation, redemption and final judgement.
- 3. The Bible, as originally given, is the inspired and infallible Word of God. It is the supreme authority in all matters of belief and behaviour.
- 4. Since the fall, the whole of humankind is sinful and guilty, so that everyone is subject to God's wrath and condemnation.
- 5. The Lord Jesus Christ, God's incarnate Son, is fully God; he was born of a virgin; his humanity is real and sinless; he died on the cross, was raised bodily from death and is now reigning over heaven and earth.
- 6. Sinful human beings are redeemed from the guilt, penalty and power of sin only through the sacrificial death once and for all time of their representative and substitute, Jesus Christ, the only mediator between them and God.
- 7. Those who believe in Christ are pardoned all their sins and accepted in God's sight only because of the righteousness of Christ credited to them; this justification is God's act of undeserved mercy, received solely by trust in him and not by their own efforts.
- 8. The Holy Spirit alone makes the work of Christ effective to individual sinners, enabling them to turn to God from their sin and to trust in Jesus Christ.
- 9. The Holy Spirit lives in all those he has regenerated. He makes them increasingly Christlike in character and behaviour and gives them power for their witness in the world.
- 10. The one holy universal church is the Body of Christ, to which all true believers belong.
- 11. The Lord Jesus Christ will return in person, to judge everyone, to execute God's just condemnation on those who have not repented and to receive the redeemed to eternal glory.

### **Institutional Commitments**

- To uphold Scripture as the inspired, inerrant, and authoritative Word of God. (2 Timothy 3:16–17)
- To provide academic instruction of the highest quality, grounded in historic orthodoxy and the Great Tradition.
- To cultivate opportunities for worship, prayer, and spiritual formation that encourage Christlike maturity. (Colossians 1:28)
- To foster an environment of respect, care, and fairness for all students, regardless of background or location. (Galatians 3:28)
- To promote service and leadership in the Church and in the world, for the glory of God. (Matthew 5:16)

### **Student Rights**

- To study within a community committed to the authority of Scripture and the lordship of Christ.
- To receive fair and transparent assessment, feedback, and academic support.

- To engage in open, charitable theological dialogue within the bounds of confessional orthodoxy.
- To access faculty, mentorship, and institutional resources necessary for academic and spiritual growth.
- To appeal or lodge grievances in accordance with established procedures as articulated in the Student Handbook, without prejudice or fear.

# Student Responsibilities and Code of Conduct

- To pursue academic integrity and honesty in all written, oral, and research work. (Colossians 3:23–24)
- To conduct oneself in a manner consistent with Christian virtue, humility, and respect toward others. (Philippians 2:3–5)
- To participate faithfully in the communal and spiritual life of the Institute as able.
- To respect the diversity of the global Church while upholding the shared confession of faith.
- To comply with institutional policies, academic expectations, and the ethical standards of Christian scholarship.

# Academic and Community Integrity

The Alexandrian Institute and its students are mutually accountable to live, study, and serve in ways that reflect the truth of the gospel and the wisdom of the Christian tradition. Academic and community life are expressions of discipleship, calling every participant to integrity, diligence, and grace. (Ephesians 4:1–3)

## Accountability and Governance

Students are invited to contribute to the continual improvement of the Institute through representation, feedback, and prayerful engagement. Institutional leaders pledge to govern the Institute and act with transparency and faithfulness in the stewardship of their responsibilities. (1 Peter 4:10–11)

### **Student Affirmation**

As a student of the Alexandrian Institute, I affirm this Student Charter and Covenant. I recognize it as a shared commitment to live, study, and serve in faithfulness to Jesus Christ, in accordance with Scripture and the Great Tradition of the Church. By my signature, I covenant to uphold the standards, values, and mission of the Alexandrian Institute to the best of my ability. (Colossians 3:17)



Student Signature

