

March 10, 2022

Jose A. Santos Horta, MD, MCM
Accreditation and Effectiveness Director
University of Leadership and Ministry
94 Technology Drive
Garner, NC 27529

Dear Dr. Santos:

University of Leadership and Ministry, located in Garner, North Carolina has notified the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board of its status as a religious postsecondary educational institution that will only offer online programs in religious studies. The institution will offer degrees in Ministry and Church Leadership at the Associate of Arts and Bachelor of Arts level. The institution will also offer religious instruction at the certificate level.

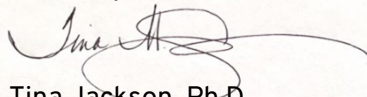
Provided that University of Leadership and Ministry's offered degrees are, as you have informed us, entirely religious in nature, it falls within the exception for authorization in 19 Texas Administrative Code § 7.9 implementing *H.E.B. Ministries v. Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board*, 235 S.W.3d 627 (2007), and does not require approval of the Coordinating Board.

The use of the term "university" does not violate Texas Education Code, Chapter 61, or the THECB's rules.

As a reminder, it is also necessary that University of Leadership and Ministry apply for and receive a license, exemption, or exclusion from Chapter 132 of the Texas Education Code through the Texas Workforce Commission.

If you have any questions, please contact Cathie A. Maeyaert, Director of Private Postsecondary Institutions, or me.

Sincerely,



Tina Jackson, Ph.D.
Assistant Commissioner
Workforce Education

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