

# Seminary changes name of undergraduate school

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FORT WORTH—The undergraduate school of Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary is now Texas Baptist College, President Adam W. Greenway announced June 9.

“Texas Baptist College is going to be a tremendous educational enterprise that will enrich its students’ lives and impact our world through their service,” Greenway said. “I believe few changes we have implemented in

recent years at Southwestern Seminary have as far-reaching potential as the new name, vision, and leadership for our college.”

In addition to its new name, approved by the seminary’s board of trustees in its spring meeting as part of other bylaw changes, the college also has a new vision statement and three core distinctives: “Christ-centered,” “Scripture-driven,” and “student-focused.”

“Texas Baptist College exists to glorify God by providing trustworthy Christian higher education for more faithful kingdom service,” said Benjamin M. Skaug, who became dean of the college Jan. 1.

The seminary’s undergraduate school was launched in 2005 as the College at Southwestern. In 2017, it was renamed L.R. Scarborough College, after



the seminary's second president.

The college is "unapologetically, unashamedly committed to the truths of biblical orthodoxy that have been faithfully held to by Baptists down through the tunnel of time," Greenway said. "We are unapologetic in our commitment to Baptist distinctives and to a vision of Christ-centered education that is committed to the richness of a heritage of faith that has long preceded us."

Changing the name from L.R. Scarborough College is not intended to disregard Scarborough's legacy, Greenway emphasized, but rather continues Scarborough's emphasis on Texas Baptist education.

"L.R. Scarborough, among other things, was a preeminent Texas Baptist, one who was committed to reaching this state with the gospel of Jesus Christ and to perpetuating the best of our Baptist identity and distinctives," Greenway said.

"We believe, in many ways, the broader name Texas Baptist College enables us to continue to emphasize the legacy of L.R. Scarborough alongside that of our founder, B.H. Carroll, and so many others who were committed to a vision of training and educating God-called men and women for all the vocations everywhere they may serve, but especially right here in the great state of Texas."