



Entering Student Questionnaire

- Q1. Degree program (Fill in only one.)
- Pre-theology
 - MDiv
 - MA Professional (MRE/MCM/MA in pastoral studies, youth ministry, etc.)
 - MA Academic (e.g. MAR/ MTS/MA)
 - ThM/STM
 - DMin
 - PhD/ThD/STD
 - Doctor of __ (e.g. EdD/DMiss/DMA)
 - Non-degree special
 - Diploma/certificate
 - Other

- Q2. Are you enrolling:
- Full-time
 - Part-time

- Q3a. Do you use school-provided housing?
- Yes
 - No
 - Yes, as a commuter only

Branch logic: If “yes” or “yes, as a commuter only:”

How important was the availability of student housing to your decision to attend this seminary?

- Of no importance
- Slightly important
- Somewhat important
- Important
- Very important

- Q3b. Did you relocate in order to attend seminary?
- yes
 - no

- Q4. Gender
- Male
 - Female

- Q5. In what year were you born? [drop down menu]

- Q6. Citizenship
- U.S. citizen
 - Canadian citizen
 - Other citizenship

- Q7. With which of the following do you most identify? (select one)

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- Visa or Nonresident Alien
 - Black/Non-Hispanic
 - Native North American / First Nation
 - Asian or Pacific Islander
 - Hispanic/ Latino(a)
 - White Non-Hispanic
 - Multiracial
 - Prefer not to disclose
- Q8. Are you:
- Single (includes widowed/divorced)
 - Married
- Q9. How many dependents do you have?
- None
 - One
 - Two
 - Three
 - Four or more
- Q10. How many hours a week do you plan to work at a paying job this year?
- No plans for paying job
 - Fewer than 10 hours
 - 10-15 hours
 - 16-20 hours
 - More than 20 hours
- Q11. How long is your daily commute to school?
- No commute
 - Less than ½ hour
 - ½ to 1 hour
 - 1 to 2 hours
 - More than 2 hours
- Q12. Do you have a bachelor's degree?
- Yes
 - No
- Q13. From what type of undergraduate institution did you graduate?
- A public university, state college, or community college
 - A private university or college (not religiously affiliated)
 - A private, religiously affiliated university or college
- Q14a. Where did you earn your undergraduate degree?
- No Undergraduate Degree
 - Two-year Associate's Degree
 - Degree from Technical School
 - Select School
- Country: _____ State/Province: _____
School: _____

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- Q14b. What was the area of your undergraduate major? (Check all that apply.)
- Education
 - Fine Arts
 - Humanities (e.g., classics, English, history, languages)
 - Natural/physical sciences (e.g., chemistry, mathematics, engineering)
 - Philosophy
 - Religion / Theology
 - Social/behavioral sciences (e.g., economics, political science, psychology, sociology)
 - Technical studies (e.g., business, communications, computers)
- Q15. What is your highest degree beyond the bachelor's?
- None
 - EdD
 - JD/LLB
 - Master's
 - MBA
 - MD
 - MDiv
 - MSW
 - PhD
 - Other Degree
 - Other Doctorate
 - Other Professional
- Q16a. How much educational debt did you bring with you to seminary?
- None
 - Less than \$10,000
 - \$10,000 to \$19,999
 - \$20,000 to \$29,999
 - \$30,000 to \$39,999
 - \$40,000 to \$59,999
 - More than \$60,000
- Q16b. How much other debt did you bring with you (non-educational debt, excluding home mortgage, e.g., credit card, car loan)?
- None
 - Less than \$10,000
 - \$10,000 to \$19,999
 - \$20,000 to \$29,999
 - \$30,000 to \$39,999
 - \$40,000 to \$59,999
 - More than \$60,000
- Q16c. Are you currently responsible for payments on the student loans of a family member other than yourself?
- Yes
 - No
- Q17. In the past five years, have you held, been elected to, or been appointed to a leadership position in: (Fill in all that apply.)
- Your local church
 - Other church body or religious organization
 - School or college organization
 - Civic or fraternal organization

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- Other leadership position
- No recent leadership position

Q18. Current denomination or religious tradition (Fill in one only.)

Adventist Bodies

- Advent Christian Church
- Seventh-day Adventist

Anglican

- Anglican Church of Canada
- Anglican, Other
- Episcopal Church
- Reformed Episcopal Church

Associated Gospel Churches of Canada

Baptist

- American Baptist Churches USA
- Baptist
- Baptist Convention of Ontario and Quebec
- Baptist General Association of Virginia
- Baptist General Conference
- Baptist General Convention of Texas
- Baptist Missionary Association of America
- Baptist State Convention of North Carolina
- Baptist Union of Western Canada
- Canadian Convention of Southern Baptists
- Conservative Baptist Association of America
- Convention of Atlantic Baptist Churches
- Cooperative Baptist Fellowship
- Fellowship of Evangelical Baptist Churches in Canada
- General Association of General Baptists
- General Association of Regular Baptist Churches
- General Baptist State Convention of North Carolina
- Independent Baptist
- National Baptist Convention
- North American Baptist Conference
- Progressive National Baptist Convention
- Seventh Day Baptist General Conference
- Southern Baptist Convention
- Union d'Eglises Baptistes Francaises au Canada

Brethren

- Brethren Church (Ashland, Ohio)
- Brethren in Christ Church
- Christian Brethren (Plymouth Brethren)
- Church of the Brethren
- Fellowship of Grace Brethren Churches

Buddhist

Catholic

- Byzantine Catholic Archeparchy of Pittsburgh
- Roman Catholic

Christian and Missionary Alliance

Church of God (Anderson, Indiana)

Church of the Nazarene

Churches of Christ-Christian Churches

- Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)
- Christian Churches and Churches of Christ

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- Churches of Christ
- Churches of God, General Conference**
- Evangelical Church in Canada**
- Evangelical Congregational Church**
- Evangelical Covenant Church**
- Evangelical Formosan Church**
- Evangelical Free Church of America**
- Evangelical Free Church of Canada**
- Interdenominational/Multidenominational**
- Jewish**
- Lutheran**
 - Evangelical Lutheran Church in America
 - Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada
 - Lutheran Church-Canada
 - Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod
 - Lutheran, Other
 - Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod
- Mennonite**
 - Conference of Mennonites
 - Mennonite Brethren Church in North America
 - Mennonite Church Canada
 - Mennonite Church USA
 - Mennonite, Other
- Methodist**
 - African Methodist Episcopal
 - African Methodist Episcopal Zion
 - Christian Methodist Episcopal
 - Free Methodist Church
 - Independent Methodist
 - United Methodist Church
 - Wesleyan Church
- Missionary Church in Canada**
- Moravian Church in North America**
- Muslim**
- National Association of Congregational Christian Churches**
- Nondenominational**
- Orthodox**
 - Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America
 - Orthodox Church in America
 - Orthodox, Other
- Pentecostal**
 - Assemblies of God
 - Church of God (Cleveland, Tennessee)
 - Church of God in Christ
 - Foursquare Gospel Church
 - Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada
 - United Pentecostal Church International
- Presbyterian**
 - Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church
 - Cumberland Presbyterian Church
 - Evangelical Presbyterian Church
 - Korean American Presbyterian Church
 - Orthodox Presbyterian
 - Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)

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- Presbyterian Church in Canada
- Reformed Presbyterian
- Reformed**
- Christian Reformed Church
- Reformed Church in America
- Reformed Church in Canada
- Religious Society of Friends**
- Friends, Quaker
- Religious Society of Friends
- Salvation Army**
- Swedenborgian Church**
- General Church of New Jerusalem
- Swedenborgian Church, General Convention
- Unitarian Universalist**
- United Church of Canada**
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Q20. Do you anticipate being ordained?

- Yes
- No
- Undecided
- Already ordained

Q21. During the past two years, how would you describe your participation in a worshipping community, congregation, or parish?

- Very active
- Active
- Moderately active
- Not very active
- Inactive

BRANCH LOGIC: If they answer anything BUT "inactive,"

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| Was the church: | Size of the church: |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Rural | <input type="checkbox"/> Under 100 members |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Small town | <input type="checkbox"/> 100 to 249 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Suburban | <input type="checkbox"/> 250 to 499 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Urban | <input type="checkbox"/> 500 to 999 |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> 1,000 or more |

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- Q22. When did you first consider going to theological school?
_ Before college
_ During college
_ After graduating from college
_ After graduate work
_ After two or more years of work
- Q23. How interested are you in taking courses via the following formats?
1/ Not at all interested 2/ somewhat interested 3/very interested
- _Main campus - traditional academic term / weekday classes
_1 _2 _3
- _Main campus - evening / weekend classes
_1 _2 _3
- _Main campus - intensive courses
_1 _2 _3
- _Extension site of main campus
_1 _2 _3
- _100 percent online/distance courses
_1 _2 _3
- _Hybrid courses - combination face-to-face / online
_1 _2 _3

How important were the following in your decision to pursue theological education? (Select answer most closely approximating the importance of each factor.)

1 = Of no importance / 2 = Of little importance / 3 = Somewhat important / 4 = Important / 5 = Very important

- Q24a. Influence of family or spouse
_1 _2 _3 _4 _5
- Q24b. Influence of friend(s)
_1 _2 _3 _4 _5
- Q24c. Encouragement of pastor/minister
_1 _2 _3 _4 _5
- Q24d. Experience of pastoral counseling/spiritual direction
_1 _2 _3 _4 _5
- Q24e. Experienced a call from God
_1 _2 _3 _4 _5
- Q24f. Intellectual interest in religious/theological questions
_1 _2 _3 _4 _5
- Q24g. Opportunity for study and growth
_1 _2 _3 _4 _5
- Q24h. Promise of spiritual fulfillment
_1 _2 _3 _4 _5
- Q24i. Search for meaning in life

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- _1 _2 _3 _4 _5
- Q24j. To discern God's will
_1 _2 _3 _4 _5
- Q24k. Desire to serve others
_1 _2 _3 _4 _5
- Q24l. Desire to administer the sacraments
_1 _2 _3 _4 _5
- Q24m. Desire to contribute to the cause of social justice
_1 _2 _3 _4 _5
- Q24n. Desire to preserve traditions of the church
_1 _2 _3 _4 _5
- Q24o. Desire to make a difference in life of church
_1 _2 _3 _4 _5
- Q24p. Experience in campus Christian organization
_1 _2 _3 _4 _5
- Q24q. Experience of the community life of a local church
_1 _2 _3 _4 _5
- How important were the following in your decision to attend this institution?
1 = Of no importance / 2 = Of little importance / 3 = Somewhat important / 4 = Important / 5 = Very important
- Q25a. Quality of the faculty
_1 _2 _3 _4 _5
- Q25b. Curriculum
_1 _2 _3 _4 _5
- Q25c. Academic reputation of the school
_1 _2 _3 _4 _5
- Q25d. University / college affiliation
_1 _2 _3 _4 _5
- Q25e. Access to other theological schools / cross-registration
_1 _2 _3 _4 _5
- Q25f. Availability of distance learning
_1 _2 _3 _4 _5
- Q25g. Extension site of main campus
_1 _2 _3 _4 _5
- Q25h. Flexible class schedule
_1 _2 _3 _4 _5
- Q25i. Denominational affiliation

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- _1 _2 _3 _4 _5
- Q25j. Comfort with the school's doctrinal positions/theological perspective
_1 _2 _3 _4 _5
- Q25k. Encouragement of my pastor
_1 _2 _3 _4 _5
- Q25l. Sent by religious superior
_1 _2 _3 _4 _5
- Q25m. Recommended by a graduate/current student
_1 _2 _3 _4 _5
- Q25n. Encouragement of a faculty member / mentor from my college
_1 _2 _3 _4 _5
- Q25o. Participation in a vocational discernment program (high school or college)
_1 _2 _3 _4 _5
- Q25p. Family reasons
_1 _2 _3 _4 _5
- Q25q. Quality of the admissions staff
_1 _2 _3 _4 _5
- Q25r. Good financial aid assistance
_1 _2 _3 _4 _5
- Q25s. Wanted a school close to home/work
_1 _2 _3 _4 _5
- Q25t. Diverse / multicultural community
_1 _2 _3 _4 _5
- Q25u. Sense of community at the school
_1 _2 _3 _4 _5
- Q26. Which of the following most compelled you to find out more about this institution?
 Graduate
 Relative

 Friend
 Pastor
 Religious superior
 Current student
 College chaplain, advisor, or other college contact
 Seminary recruiter
 Know a particular seminary faculty member(s)
 Print ad
 Online ad
 Print Mailings / School publication
 Theological school publications
 Conference or church event

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- School Web site
 - Web search
 - Social media search
 - Theological school initiated contact with me
- Q27. After hearing about our school, how did you gain more information about it?
(check all that apply)
- Viewed school Web site
 - Requested information via the school Web site
 - Social media (Facebook, Twitter, etc.)
 - communicated with school staff
 - communicated with current student / graduate
 - communicated with school faculty
 - Wrote to the school
 - Telephoned the school
 - Visited the school
 - Returned a post card
- Q28. If you visited the school as an individual or as part of a seminary program, how important was that visit to your decision to attend the institution?
- Of no importance
 - Slightly important
 - Somewhat important
 - Important
 - Very important
- Q29. How significant was financial aid assistance in your decision to attend this institution?
- Of no significance
 - Of some significance
 - Significant
 - Of great significance
 - Of greatest significance
 - Did not apply for financial aid
- Q30. Are you currently engaged in ministerial work?
- Yes
 - No
- Branch logic: If they answer yes,
Do you intend to continue working in the same position while pursuing your degree?
- yes
 - no
 - unsure
- Q31. Do you anticipate holding another paid position in addition to your ministerial work after graduation (bivocational)?
- Yes
 - No
 - Unsure about being bivocational
 - No plans to do ministerial work

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Q32. Upon graduating from our school, what type of position do you anticipate having?

Congregational/Parish Ministry

For above option, have drop-down menu appear with specific ministry options:

- Pastor, priest, minister of a congregation/parish
- Associate or assistant pastor, priest, or minister
- Minister or director of Christian/religious education
- Youth work or ministry
- Musician or liturgist
- Spiritual director
- Supply ministry
- Interim ministry
- New church development/church planting/evangelism
- Unsure what position within a congregation/parish context

Other:

For above option, have drop-down menu appear with following options:

- Retreat or spiritual director (not in a congregation/parish)
- Campus ministry or youth worker (not in a congregation/parish)
- Hospital/hospice/healthcare chaplaincy
- Military chaplaincy
- Prison ministry
- Other specialized ministry (not in a congregation/parish)
- Missionary service (foreign/home)
- Denominational administrator or staff
- Teaching in primary or secondary education
- Teaching or administration in a seminary
- Other teaching or administration in higher education
- Social work/social services
- Social justice ministry
- Pastoral counselor (not in a congregation/parish)
- Executive/administrator in a non-profit agency
- Executive/administrator in a for-profit business
- Further graduate or professional studies
- Full-time homemaking or childcare
- Clerical/office/sales
- Medicine/engineering/law
- Self-employed
- Other
- Undecided