New senior leaders welcomed at 37 ATS member schools

Thirty-seven ATS member schools have recently announced the appointment of 42 individuals as new chief executive officers or chief academic officers.

ATS Executive Director Frank Yamada commented on the leadership changes during a particularly challenging time in theological education.

“In last year’s first fall Colloquy Online issue, I commented on how in times of change, leaders rise up ‘for such a time as this’ (Esther 4:14). This phrase from the book of Esther has taken on new meaning in light of the past several months,” said Yamada.

“This time is a unique one, as schools are facing a host of unknowns related to the ongoing Coronavirus pandemic. It is a time for leadership, and this list of administrative leaders represents fresh hope for schools as they seek to live into their missions with vitality in these challenging times. We welcome these colleagues to this important chapter in North American theological education and look forward to partnering with them in our common work as The Association of Theological Schools.”

Welcome to these new senior leaders:

**John Abad**
Academic Dean
St. Augustine’s Seminary of Toronto
(Scarborough, ON)

**Ross Allen**
President
Bethel Seminary of Bethel University
(St. Paul, MN)

**Craig Atwood**
Interim Dean
Moravian Theological Seminary
(Bethlehem, PA)

**Matt Ayars**
President
Wesley Biblical Seminary
(Ridgeland, MS)

**Min Boim**
Academic Dean
Methodist Theological Seminary in America
(Claremont, CA)

**William Brackney**
Interim Academic Dean
Carey Theological College
(Vancouver, BC)

**Lee Butler**
Vice President of Academic Affairs and Academic Dean
Phillips Theological Seminary
(Tulsa, OK)
Donald Collett  
Interim Academic Dean  
Trinity Episcopal School for Ministry  
(Ambridge, PA)

Amir Hussain  
Chair of the Department of Theological Studies  
Loyola Marymount University  
Department of Theological Studies  
(Los Angeles, CA)

Timothy Cusick  
Acting Academic Dean  
St. Vincent de Paul Regional Seminary  
(Boynton Beach, FL)

Marjory Kerr  
President and Vice Chancellor  
Tyndale Seminary of Tyndale University  
(Toronto, ON)

Daniel Driver  
Acting Academic Dean  
Atlantic School of Theology  
(Halifax, NS)

Andrew Krause  
Interim Academic Director  
Associated Canadian Theological Schools of Trinity Western University  
(Langley, BC)

Pamela Durso  
President  
Central Baptist Theological Seminary  
(Shawnee, KS)

Deborah Krause  
President  
Eden Theological Seminary  
(St. Louis, MO)

Guy Erwin  
President  
United Lutheran Seminary  
(Gettysburg, PA)

Kristine Lund  
Interim Principal-Dean  
Martin Luther University College  
(Waterloo, ON)

Denis Grecco  
Rector  
St. Peter's Seminary  
(London, ON)

Silas McCormick  
President  
Lincoln Christian Seminary  
(Lincoln, IL)

Ivan Hartsfield  
Interim Dean of Academic Affairs  
Northern Baptist Theological Seminary  
(Lisle, IL)

John McLaughlin  
Dean  
University of St. Michael's College  
Faculty of Theology  
(Toronto, ON)

Alfredo Hernandez  
Acting President  
St. Vincent de Paul Regional Seminary  
(Boynton Beach, FL)

MaryKate Morse  
Dean of the Seminary  
Portland Seminary of George Fox University  
(Portland, OR)

Betty Holley  
Academic Dean  
Payne Theological Seminary  
(Wilberforce, OH)

Joseph Mueller  
Dean  
Jesuit School of Theology of Santa Clara University  
(Berkeley, CA)
Debra Mumford  
Dean  
Louisville Presbyterian Theological Seminary  
(Louisville, KY)

Arnold Neufeldt-Fast  
Vice President Academic; Dean of the Seminary  
Tyndale Seminary of Tyndale University  
(Toronto, ON)

Damayanthi Niles  
Interim Academic Dean  
Eden Theological Seminary  
(St. Louis, MO)

Elizabeth Peña  
Interim Dean  
Graduate Theological Union  
(Berkeley, CA)

Jacob Thomas Petri  
Acting President  
Dominican House of Studies  
(Washington, DC)

Daniel Preus  
Interim President  
Concordia Seminary (MO)  
(St. Louis, MO)

Deborah Rogers  
Vice President for Academic Affairs  
Colgate Rochester Crozer Divinity School  
(Rochester, NY)

David Rowe  
Interim President  
Lancaster Theological Seminary  
(Lancaster, PA)

Debra Schwinn  
President  
Palm Beach Atlantic University School of Ministry Graduate Department  
(West Palm Beach, FL)

Edward Stewart  
Senior Director of Academic Administration  
Jesuit School of Theology  
of Santa Clara University  
(Berkeley, CA)

Chloe Sun  
Academic Dean  
Logos Evangelical Seminary  
(El Monte, CA)

Michael Thigpen  
Provost  
Phoenix Seminary  
(Scottsdale, AZ)

James Turrell  
Dean  
University of the South School of Theology  
(Sewanee, TN)

Peter Verkruyse  
Interim Vice President of Academics  
Lincoln Christian Seminary  
(Lincoln, IL)

Samuel White  
Academic Dean  
Ecumenical Theological Seminary  
(Detroit, MI)

Keith Whitfield  
Acting Provost  
Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary  
(Louisville, KY)

Amos Young  
Dean of the School of Theology  
and the School of Intercultural Studies  
Fuller Theological Seminary  
(Pasadena, CA)

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