



PAYNE THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY



**Building
On A
Strong
Foundation**



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So High A Mission...So Holy A Calling

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Highlights

Sustainability:

Moving toward a strategic plan focused on sustainability of the seminary and the mission of theological education.

Mortgage Burning:

A joyous mortgage burning celebration took place during the Founder's Day Worship Service to say goodbye to the bank note.

Partnership with Wilberforce University:

Payne has renewed the housing agreement with WU to offer upper classmen dorms on our campus.

Community

BEYOND THE WALLS:



A Symposium on
Mass Incarceration,
Public Policy, and Reentry

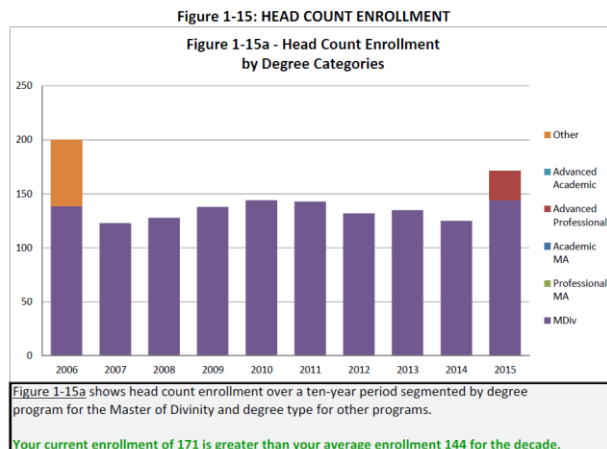


Glenn E. Martin - Keynote with Panelists
April 20, 2016, Columbus, Ohio

Growth Spurt in Enrollment

Payne Theological Seminary

2015 - 2016



Stewardship

Reduced expenses and increased revenue:

Incoming funds are up and expenses are down. Payne is projecting net revenue in excess of \$500,000 this year, and is poised to make capital improvements in excess of \$80,000.

Fundraising efforts:

Payne has grown external contribution revenue from 2% in 2012 to 21% in 2015, by raising nearly \$1 million dollars in grant resources to support Seminary programming and sustainability efforts.

Student focused:

As Payne increases the student body, the seminary will work to ensure that each student receives a high-quality theological educational experience.



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Doctor of Ministry Update

The Payne Program is off to a great start” said Dr. JT Roberson, director of the DMin program. “We are meeting the demand for critical reflection on ministry issues, and we expect the focus group research approach of the program to produce publications on leadership in ministry in the future.” The deadline for the 2016 Fall Cohort is July 15th. For more information, visit payne.edu.

Payne Online Bookstore



Financial Literacy Coaching



A cohort of students have been selected to participate in the Payne Theological Seminary Financial Literacy Coaching Program. Sponsored by a grant from the Lilly Foundation, this inaugural program offers 24 MDiv students, eight weeks of confidential financial literacy coaching with a faith-based Christian counselors. The goal is to help them develop key skills to better manage their student loans and enhance their personal finances.

The Bishop Reverdy C. Ransom Memorial Library has teamed up with Amazon.com to launch The Payne Bookstore, the one place to find all the books you'll need for your classes! When your purchase your textbooks through the Online Bookstore, a portion of all sales come back to the Library which we will then use for programming and collection development. The Payne Bookstore, powered by Amazon.com is organized by academic program, area of study, course title, and name. “Browse by Category” to find required and recommended readings to support courses in both the MDiv and DMin programs at Payne Theological Seminary.

Board of Examiners

Course of Instruction:

Payne and Turner worked together with a connection-wide group of the Boards of Examiners to introduce legislation to the General Conference to deepen the quality of theological instruction in our Zion. Nearly 100 individuals have been involved in this project.



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Infrastructure



Website upgrades

- Local web developer that we can meet with and can contact easily.
- Responsive website that reacts to whether the viewer is using a desk top, tablet and mobile device. This improves the functionality on a variety of internet browsers, tablet devices, and smart phones.
- Security improvements to avoid hacks and spam issue with proper SSL Security Certificate.
- Administrative privileges are internal instead of held by the hosting company which allows for more internal control and flexibility.
- Use of Wordpress, plug-ins and content management system to help with website maintenance.

New Branding

With a new logo and website, Payne is creating a new identity to better connect with current and future students while engaging alumni and the community.



Apply today to start your MDiv or DMin degree!

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