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PTS PARTNERS WITH WESTMINSTER COLLEGE TO OFFER 3 + 3 PROGRAM

Pittsburgh Theological Seminary and Westminster College are pleased to announce a partnership designed to educate and equip students for ministry in the way of Jesus by combining their undergraduate education with a Master of Divinity degree program. The partnership, designed to provide a seamless transition between the undergraduate and seminary contexts, will allow students to earn both a bachelor's and Master of Divinity degree in six years, three at each institution.

“Westminster College and Pittsburgh Seminary both offer holistic education—encompassing not only students’ knowledge, but their creativity, curiosity, ethics, spirituality, and relationships. This partnership will benefit both of our institutions and, most importantly, the students who learn in our communities,” said the Rev. Dr. Leanna Fuller, interim vice president for academic affairs and dean of faculty.



“Westminster and PTS share many historical ties through the Presbytery, especially when considering the number of Westminster alumni who have benefited from graduate studies at the Seminary,” said Dr. Jamie G. McMinn, vice president for academic affairs and dean of the college at Westminster. “With this new agreement, both institutions clear the way for Westminster students to enter a high-quality graduate program that further prepares them for a life of discernment, service, and leadership as they explore what it means to enter the ministry in a period marked by medical and sociocultural complexities.”

Rooted in the Reformed tradition, Pittsburgh Theological Seminary is distinctive for its service to the church, forming Christian leaders who are theologically reflective and contextually engaged. Pittsburgh’s urban location and proximity to the tech and education industries allows students ready access to additional resources helpful in their ministry preparation. The Seminary’s location, history, mission, and resources provide a rich context for further study for students who have finished three years of undergraduate study at Westminster and who choose to pursue their Master of Divinity.

Westminster College is nationally known for its collaborative environment, outstanding experiential learning programs, focus on student success, and the effort invested in making higher education affordable and attainable to all students. Established in 1852, Westminster is proud to be the first college in the country open to all people, regardless of race, ethnicity, sex or religion from its founding charter by the Presbyterian Church (USA).

Rooted in the Reformed tradition and in relationship with Christ-followers from other traditions, Pittsburgh Theological Seminary forms and equips people for ministries familiar and yet to unfold and communities present and yet to be gathered.

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