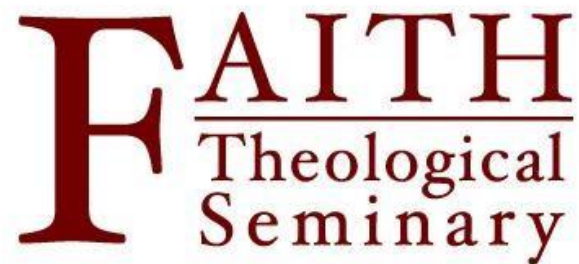


FTS Assessment Report

2018-2019

Available to Our Constituents



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1. Enrollment Management

A new Director of Admissions was retained July 1, 2016. An Admissions Counselor, an alumnus of FTS, was retained December 1, 2017. He is responsible for the recruiting of students in the State of Maryland.

- In FY 2018-2019, there were 59 undergraduate students and 91 graduate students.
- In FY 2017-2018, there were 79 undergraduate students and 98 graduate students
- In FY 2016-2017, there were 75 undergraduate students and 98 graduate students

A breakdown by degree for the three-year periods: 2018-2019, 2017-2018, 2016-2017 indicates the following:

2018-2019

Bachelor of Arts in Religion		Master of Divinity		Doctor of Ministry	
Retained	41%	Retained	49%	Retained	31%
Graduated	15%	Graduated	11%	Graduated	19%
Lost	43%	Lost	39%	Lost	50%
Excused	2%	Excused	0%	Excused	0%
Retention Rate	57%	Retention Rate	61%	Retention Rate	50%

2017-2018

Bachelor of Arts in Religion		Master of Divinity		Doctor of Ministry	
Retained	57%	Retained	64%	Retained	56%
Graduated	15%	Graduated	12%	Graduated	11%
Lost	25%	Lost	23%	Lost	28%
Excused	3%	Excused	1%	Excused	6%
Retention Rate	75%	Retention Rate	77%	Retention Rate	72%

2016-2017

Bachelor of Arts in Religion		Master of Divinity		Doctor of Ministry	
Retained	73%	Retained	66%	Retained	42%
Graduated	6%	Graduated	19%	Graduated	16%
Lost	21%	Lost	14%	Lost	42%
Excused	0%	Excused	2%	Excused	0%
Retention Rate	79%	Retention Rate	86%	Retention Rate	58%

FTS is surveying the students to determine if additional night and weekend classes should be scheduled in the fall. In academic year 2017-2018, spring term, 141 students were enrolled, and 1,212 credits were attempted. In academic year 2016-2017, 133 students were enrolled, and 1,185 credits were attempted.

2. Student Satisfaction Survey Results

23 students completed the Student Satisfaction Survey in the Spring of 2019. Some of the findings were more than 90% of the students agree that the Business Office personnel are helpful, and the hours of operation are adequate to meet their needs.

More than 90% agreed that the Registrar’s Office provides accurate academic information and the hours of operation are adequate.

99% agreed that the campus grounds were well maintained.

78% agreed that the maintenance of the building is sufficient.

78% are pleased with the programming of student activities.

91% agreed that student complaints and grievances are handled as stated in the Student Handbook.

With reference to the library, 26% requested more digital, subscription databases. The EBSCO Database was added which fulfills this need.

Students requested more degree programs, especially a Chaplaincy program in writing.

3. Summary of Student Faculty/Course Surveys (Spring semester 2019)

The students were asked 17 questions related to the learning outcomes, preparedness of the professor, perceived quality of the course and the teacher, workload, personal interest in the topic, etc. and were given the opportunity to rate each on a scale of 1 to 5 with 1=almost always and 5=almost never. The following is a summary of the average score for each professor, given in no particular order, and kept confidential. The overall average of all professors is 1.1.

Professor	Number of Students Participating	Average Score
Professor # 1	15	1.0
Professor # 2	8	1.4
Professor # 3	11	1.2
Professor # 4	10	1.1
Professor # 5	10	1.2
Professor # 6	2	1.0
Professor # 7	4	1.4
Professor # 8	3	1.0
Professor # 9	4	1.0

4. Facilities and Equipment

Overall, the facilities met the needs of the students, classroom space is appropriate. Improvements included a new student lounge and comfortable chairs and tables in the classrooms.

Location, ease of access, lower crime rates than inner city, very little local competition, and good demographics are a significant strength of FTS' current facility. However, no further expansion can be done at the property. There is insufficient parking during some events when the building is full to capacity. After 5pm and on Saturdays, Drumcastle Center has allowed FTS to use some of its parking.

Items included in the Capital Improvement Plan are the removal of the existing ramp and replacement with a code compliant ADA ramp; the removal of the existing double entry doors and replacement with insulated aluminum store front door units, and the installation of a canopy.