

## Frequently Called Numbers

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| Academic Dean                                | 651-641-3468                                      |
| Admissions                                   | 651-641-3521<br>800-588-4373 ( <i>toll free</i> ) |
| Dean of Students                             | 651-641-3526                                      |
| Ecumenical Ministries                        | 651-641-3434                                      |
| Event Services                               | 651-641-3214<br>651-523-1614                      |
| Faculty Secretary                            | 651-641-3209                                      |
| Financial Aid                                | 651-641-3463                                      |
| Graduate Education                           | 651-641-3203                                      |
| Group Tours                                  | 651-641-3419                                      |
| Guest Housing                                | 651-641-3214                                      |
| Housing                                      | 651-641-3237                                      |
| International Students                       | 651-641-3469                                      |
| Library                                      | 651-641-3447                                      |
| Lifelong Learning                            | 651-641-3444                                      |
| President                                    | 651-641-3215                                      |
| Registrar                                    | 651-641-3473                                      |
| Seminary Relations<br>( <i>Development</i> ) | 651-641-3448<br>888-358-8437 ( <i>toll free</i> ) |

# Luther Seminary Quick Facts

2005-2006



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**Luther Seminary educates leaders for Christian communities:**  
**+ called and sent by the Holy Spirit**  
**+ to witness to salvation through Jesus Christ**  
**+ and to serve in God's world.**

## The Students

**Enrollment:** 819

**Enrollment by degree program:**

- 49% Master of Divinity program
- 24% Master of Theology, Doctor of Philosophy and Doctor of Ministry programs
- 23% Master of Arts program
- 4% Non-degree programs

**Male/Female enrollment:**

- 51% Male
- 49% Female

**Median age of a Luther Seminary student in the incoming Master of Arts and Master of Divinity Class:** 28

**Denominational make up of student body:**

Fifteen percent (125 students) of the total student body represent 27 denominations other than the ELCA.

**International students:** 36

**Students of color:** 59

**How graduates serve the church:**

Luther Seminary provides over one-third of the pastors and an increasing number of lay professionals in the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA); leaders of many global Lutheran churches are Luther Seminary graduates.

**Learn more about Luther Seminary at [www.luthersem.edu](http://www.luthersem.edu)**

## Student Debt and Tuition

**Tuition and living expenses:**

\$9,000 annually for full-time study  
\$13-25,000 annually for living expenses and books

**Student debt accumulated during seminary:**

- 30% graduate without seminary debt
- 70% graduate with seminary debt (*average indebtedness for these students is \$36,000*)

**Luther Seminary** is committed to raising funds to help reduce this debt. It is working with local congregations, synods and the ELCA's Fund for Leaders in Mission to help find additional dollars to support seminary students. In addition, the seminary sponsors an "Adopt a Seminarian" program through which congregations and individuals can help cover student costs.

**Luther Seminary** provides over \$2.1 million in financial aid to students each year. In addition, local congregations provide another \$1.2 million in assistance. On average, this covers approximately two-thirds of the cost of tuition, but students still incur significant living expenses that must be covered through employment, loans or other sources of income.

## Seminary Budget

**Sources of seminary revenue:**

- 37% Gifts and grants from individuals and congregations
- 25% Tuition and fees
- 15% Endowment income
- 13% ELCA churchwide and synod support
- 8% Restricted funds used for operations
- 2% Other sources

**Annual educational and general budget:** \$17.6 million

**Size of endowment:** \$59 million

**Dollars raised:** Every dollar spent on fundraising returns \$7.65 to Luther Seminary's educational programs.

*Information is current as of December 2005 unless otherwise noted.*