

NORTHEASTERN SEMINARY



ANNUAL REPORT 2021

A Message from the Dean

In an unprecedented year, Northeastern Seminary gives thanks for God's unfailing presence! We have sensed God's guidance as we've adjusted our programs and delivery systems for faithful, safe, and effective education in the face of the ongoing global pandemic. Increasing numbers of women and men are responding to the call to prepare for a vast array of ministry vocations, and we are thankful.

In fall 2020, Northeastern welcomed the largest student body in the history of the Seminary. This followed on the heels of a record summer enrollment—all in the midst of our present crisis. We believe we are witnessing a fresh work of God's Spirit to prepare people to be faithful, effective ministers of the Gospel for such a time as this. With so much changing in our world in these uncertain times, it is a blessing to see Spirit-prompted people prepare to minister the unchanging truth of the Good News and the life-changing power of God's grace in Jesus Christ.

The opportunities for ministry preparation at Northeastern have been bolstered by the launch of a new Master's program in Spiritual Formation, a Certificate in Spiritual Direction, and a Certificate in Chaplaincy. In fact, alongside its growing Master of Divinity, Master of Arts, and Doctor of Ministry programs, the Seminary has launched four new certificate programs and two new master's programs in the last two years.

Flexibility and accessibility for students continues to be enhanced. Online classes are rapidly growing and now include students from 23 different states and 4 countries. All of this is happening while continuing the foundational residential programs on the main campus in Rochester, NY.

For more about the good things happening at Northeastern, please take a look below at a small sampling of the way God has blessed the Seminary over the past year. As always, Northeastern Seminary remains committed to making high-quality, Christ-centered theological education accessible and relevant to the church and the world.

In Christ's grace,

Douglas R. Cullum, Ph.D.
Vice President and Dean

STRATEGIC PLAN

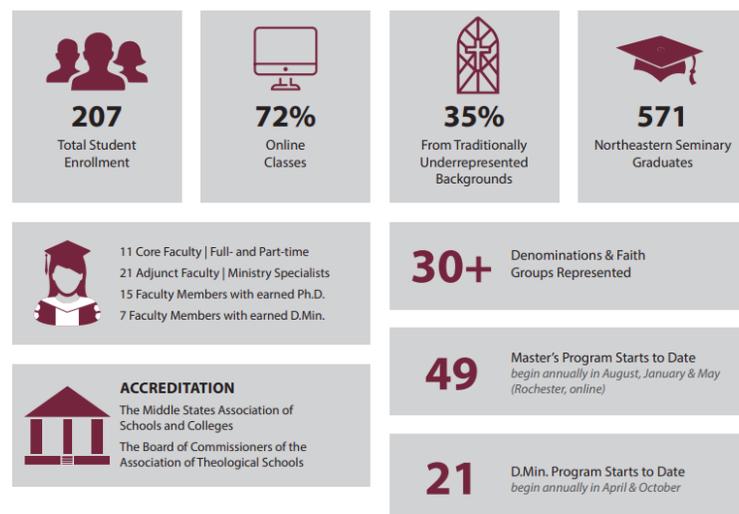
Embody Diversity. Accentuate Relevance. Extend Impact.

This academic year marks the final phase of Northeastern Seminary's 2016-2021 Strategic Map, the most comprehensive strategic plan in the history of the Seminary. Guided by the overarching goals of embodying diversity, accentuating relevance, and extending impact, Northeastern Seminary has reimagined ministry formation for the 21st century. This strategic plan will continue to shape us for years to come. As a result of the initiatives of the 2016-2021 Strategic Map, the Seminary has achieved the largest enrollment in its history and expanded its reach exponentially. The programs of the Seminary are now more accessible than they have ever been. On this solid foundation, we are seeking God's vision and preparing for the 2021-2026 Strategic Map.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- Academics: Investment in new technology to support our online classes and continued growth
- Advancement: Day of Giving Results- \$84,835, 126 donors, 22 first time donors, 51 Seminary alumni donors, 33 donations over \$500
- Marketing, Communication and Events: Wrapped up first four months of mini classes resulting in the engagement of 395 constituents and prospective students, 7 new leads generated, and 31 new donors

ENROLLMENT UPDATE



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