

Frequently Asked Questions

Westminster Theological Seminary in Uganda

1. **When did the Seminary begin?** January 2007.
2. **Where is it located?** In the metropolitan area of Kampala.
3. **What is a brief description of the Seminary?** The Seminary is a graduate level theological training school that trains ministry practitioners for ministry roles in the church and society currently offering five different master's programs.
4. **What is required for enrollment?** Enrollment requires a first degree (in any subject) except in the cases of special students, auditors and certificate students not seeking to earn a master's degree.
5. **Is there an official or organizational relationship with the Westminster Seminaries in the US?** No, but a long spiritual relationship. The founder of the PCU Kefa Sempangi is a WTS (Philadelphia) graduate. Emma Kiwanuka, principal of the Seminary is a WSC graduate as is lecturer Fred Kabenge. Dean of the Seminary, Dave Eby, is a graduate of both WTS and WSC.
6. **Who governs WTSU?** WTSU is under the Presbyterian Church in Uganda and is governed by a faculty and board of trustees appointed by the PCU GA.
7. **Is there a partnership with a US seminary?** Yes, the Seminary has a partnership with Birmingham Theological Seminary, Birmingham, AL (birminghamseminary.org).
8. **How many students are enrolled at WTSU?** 44 students were enrolled in 2012. More are expected in 2013.
9. **Where do WTSU students come from?** Burundi, Cameroon, Congo, Kenya, Malawi, Philippines, Rwanda, South Sudan, Uganda, the US and Zimbabwe.
10. **What denominations are among the students?** African Inland Church, Anglican, Baptist, Methodist, independent, Pentecostal, Presbyterian Church in Uganda, Reformed Presbyterian Church of Uganda, African Evangelical Presbyterian Church of Kenya, Presbyterian Church in Malawi, City Presbyterian Church of Zimbabwe, and the Presbyterian Church of South Sudan.
11. **What is the language of instruction?** English.
12. **Whom does Westminster train?** We seek to prepare and equip pastors, preachers, biblical counselors, church planters, evangelists, educators and church leaders for significant positions of leadership in the church and in society.
13. **What is Westminster's mission statement?** For God's glory WTSU exists to equip pastors and leaders to impact Uganda and Africa with Gospel-driven, Christ-centered churches, especially Presbyterian and Reformed churches.
14. **What is Westminster's vision statement?** WTSU's vision is to spread a passion for God's glory by training pastors and leaders to bring the transforming power of the Gospel of grace and the Word of God first to the African church and then to all of African society.
15. **What is WTSU's motto?** Training for Gospel Transformation.
16. **What degree programs does the Seminary offer?** A 3.7 year Master of Divinity (112 credits); a 2.5 year Master of Arts in Theological Studies (76 or 78 credits) in Biblical Studies, Christian Education or Biblical Counseling; a 2.4 year Master of Arts in Biblical Counseling and a one year Certificate in Biblical Counseling.

17. **Who are the lecturers?** Lecturers come from Uganda, Scotland, Zimbabwe, the US and Canada. All have graduate degrees in theology and most have earned doctorates or are currently enrolled in doctoral programs. All are experienced pastors and church leaders who have a love for Christ, his people, his bride the church and for his kingdom.
18. **Are the lecturers all full-time at WTSU?** No, the Seminary lecturers are all part-time. Some are visiting lecturers at several African schools who make annual visits. Others teach at Birmingham Seminary, our US partner institution. Some teach at Westminster Theological College or another college. Some are pastors and teach part-time.
19. **Are the lecturers all resident?** In 2012, six Seminary lecturers live in Uganda and nine live outside of Uganda.
20. **How can the lecturers all be part-time and many visiting from other institutions?** WTSU's delivery system for courses (all courses are taught in four, five or in some cases six days) enables lecturers residing outside of Uganda to visit and teach for brief periods and also for lecturers residing in Uganda to teach in a concentrated part-time fashion.
21. **What is the Seminary curriculum?** The curricula for the Master of Divinity, Master of Arts in Theological Studies, Master of Arts in Biblical Counseling and the one year Certificate in Biblical Counseling are available at www.wtcwtsuganda.org.
22. **Does the Seminary have a campus?** A beautiful campus is located sixteen kilometers (10 miles) from downtown Kampala, overlooking Lake Victoria.
23. **How large is the campus?** 10 acres.
24. **How many buildings comprise the campus?** Eleven buildings (20,344 square feet) including four men's dorms, one women's dorm, four classrooms, library, administration building, staff quarters and multi-purpose assembly and dining hall. The campus also includes a football pitch.
25. **How was the campus financed?** Since 2007, \$542,823 has been given by western partners including 11 churches, 2 foundations and 24 individuals to construct the campus that serves both Westminster Theological College (undergraduate theological training) and WTSU.
26. **What are the fees and tuition costs per year for a Seminary student?** About \$950 per year for tuition, resident fees and textbooks for 15 courses (a full-time program). Many of our students are part-time and pay about \$575 per year for 9 courses.
27. **Why are the costs so low?** Because the faculty are almost entirely self-supporting missionaries and because we have a strong commitment to keep fees affordable for Africans and for sponsors.
28. **How can I help?** Student scholarships are greatly needed to help worthy students. You can help by telling a potential sponsor about WTSU.
29. **How can I give?** Contact the Seminary through, the Dean, Dr. Dave Eby, at ebyuganda@gmail.com for donor information.
30. **How can I enroll?** Contact the Dean to request application documents or go to wtcwtsuganda.org to download application information and forms.