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“It’s great to have so many opportunities provided on campus which foster meaningful fellowship for students, whether married or single.”

Student Resources

Student Handbook

Behavioral and community standards are delineated in the Student Handbook, posted on e-campus. Each student is responsible for knowing this material and abiding by all seminary policies and regulations of the most recent version.

Support Center

The Office of Student Resources serves as a central resource center to assist with all inquiries and concerns. With the goal of simplifying the communication process, responses (and materials) are coordinated with all the other departments and offices. Notary services are available free of charge. An ombudsman is available through the Office of Student Resources when all other avenues to settle grievances have been exhausted.

ID Cards and Email

All students must have an ID card (the Shield) to use campus services. All students are assigned a student email account. Electronic mail is the primary means of communication for necessary information about classes, registration and other campus functions within the seminary community. Students are accountable for the contents of institutional communication received through their email account.

Student Activities

Student activities on campus are rich and varied, designed for the specific interests and needs of students. Campus activities are intended to complement the commitment of students to their families, churches, work, and academic studies. In accordance with the seminary’s purpose of preparing ministers, student activities foster fellowship and leadership as well as mutual support within the seminary community.

Student Councils and Organizations

Representatives of the student body lead student councils and organizations. The student council seeks to facilitate the development of community, to enhance social interaction, and to communicate interests and concerns between the students, faculty, and staff.

There are various organizations for students with particular interests

and talents with regular meetings on campus. All Boyce and Seminary students are encouraged to participate. A list of approved organizations is available from the Health and Recreation Center.

International Services

The Supervisor for Ministry Resources and Internationals helps international students meet the legal and social challenges of living in America through assistance with legal identification, driver’s licenses, bank accounts, etc. The office regularly informs and advises on F-1 student visa matters, including employment authorization and income tax.

Disability Services

Southern Seminary is committed to making both campus facilities and degree programs accessible to students. Accessibility is under continual review by the faculty and administration of the seminary.

Students who have accessibility or learning-related needs should contact the Office of Student Resources in order to determine how the seminary can assist in addressing those needs.

Counseling Services

Confidential counseling is provided for students and their family members through referrals authorized by the Dean of Students. Fees are based upon a sliding scale and subsidized by the seminary. Premarital counseling is available without cost for students currently engaged or recently married. Counsel for other non-academic matters is available – financial advising through Student Resources; health care counsel through the Hagan Clinic; fitness through the Recreation Center; ministry assistance through Ministry Resources.

Health Insurance

Every student and student dependent is encouraged to have medical insurance while enrolled at Southern Seminary. The Office of Student Resources has information available for students, including policies through GuideStone Financial Resources of the Southern Baptist Convention.

Missions Opportunities

The Great Commission Center facilitates a variety of missions experiences for the seminary community. These opportunities include local outreach, short-term and summer-long mission trips, and teaching opportunities for faculty. While the majority of SBTS mission trips occur during the summer months, the Great Commission Center sponsors and supports mission opportunities year-round. These mission trips also allow students to earn course credit for cross-cultural ministry experience. In recent years, hundreds of students and faculty have participated in SBTS mission trips to international contexts with the IMB, in the US and Canada with NAMB, and locally in the Louisville metropolitan area.

Worship

Seminary worship is an integral facet of campus life. While classes are in session during each semester, the entire community gathers on Tuesday and Thursday in Alumni Chapel for an hour of worship and edification.

Campus Facilities

Clinic

The Seminary Clinic, staffed with three physicians and two nurses, is open on weekdays. The general medical clinic, as a supplemental service to regular health care, is available at a minimal cost to all students and their immediate families, as well as to faculty and full-time staff.

Recreation and Fitness

The seminary's health and recreation program is designed to provide structured and unstructured recreational activities that will contribute to the well being and development of members in the seminary community. The Health and Recreation Center, located in the Honeycutt Campus Center, has game rooms, gymnasiums, racquetball courts, saunas, steam rooms, climbing wall, toddler pool, outside fountain pool, swimming pool, whirlpool, walking/running track, and conditioning room. The Seminary Lawn, the quadrangle of the seminary campus, is the site of recreational activities, including outdoor intramural sports.

Bookstore

LifeWay Christian Resources of the Southern Baptist Convention operates the campus bookstore, located in the Honeycutt Center. The bookstore carries all required textbooks as well as an extensive selection of theological books featuring a new academic title section and SBTS faculty author section. Students receive up to a 30% discount on nearly all required textbooks.

Library

The James P. Boyce Centennial Library, founded in 1859, provides premier research collections for Biblical, theological, Baptist, missions, music and other areas of study. Its collections contain over 390,000 volumes and over 1 million items including books, journals, minutes, music, pamphlets, microforms, and audiovisuals. These holdings rank the library among the top five seminary collections in North America.

The library can be accessed through the seminary web page at www.sbts.edu. Either on campus or remotely, students can access online databases, hundreds of journals, and other full-text materials from the library's web site. The library also supports wireless access throughout the building enabling all research areas access to the Internet and electronic resources.

Through its collections and services the library furthers the educational and ministry goals of students and faculty.

Computer Stations

Thirty computer workstations are located on the first and second floors of the James P. Boyce Centennial Library. Two of the workstations are set up for Korean language. All stations are equipped with the Microsoft Office and Corel WordPerfect Suites. Greek and Hebrew language programs are available for research and tutorials, as well as other biblical research programs including Bible Works. Specialized printing software (Calendar Creator and Print Shop) is also available. All workstations are connected to three network laser printers / copiers. Scanning is available in the library and color printing and faxing are also available at the 5th and Broadway campus store. Southern also offers a campus-wide wireless high-speed Internet service to which students can attach their personal computers at no charge.

Fifth and Broadway

The campus store takes its name from the former downtown location on the corner of Fifth and Broadway. Services available include the convenience store, Campus Card Office, Production Services, and Post Office. Fifth and Broadway sells snacks, household items, office supplies, and more. The wide selection of logo items includes clothing and accessories.

The Campus Card Office is the stop for all Shield card questions and needs. Here students can add funds to the Shield or obtain new or replacement Shield cards.

Production Services provides duplication and finish work for professional color prints, black and white prints, binding, laminating, and custom signs, as well as, organizes Greek and Hebrew cards, prints church bulletins, and binds class notes.

The Post Office offers most services available through the USPS, such as domestic and international shipping, money orders, and registered mail. UPS service is also available. Most students living in campus housing obtain a box at check in. Off-campus students may rent a box on a space available basis.

Dining Services

Southern Seminary offers dining selections. The newly renovated cafeteria offers students, staff, and guests food court options including salad and hot buffets, made-to-order wok and grill choices, as well as hot and cold grab-and-go sandwiches, salads, and sides. Another dining venue is Founders' Café, which features gourmet coffees, fresh pastries, pizza, calzones, and sandwiches. As a conference and retreat destination, Southern Seminary Dining Services offers professional catering with menus including simple snacks for a team of twenty and formal banquets for 200.

The Legacy Center

Serving as a site to host conferences, seminars, and retreats, the Legacy Center is integral to the continuing mission of Southern Seminary. The Legacy Center features state-of-the-art meeting rooms, which comfortably accommodate up to 200 people, with overnight accommodations in 69 guest rooms, including 35 two-room suites.

For non-resident students, reduced rates are offered on a daily, half-week, weekly, and extended stay basis, especially to D.Min., Ed.D., and J-Term students. Detailed rates and reservation information can be obtained by calling 1-877-444-SBTS.

Event Productions

The Event Productions office works with event planners to coordinate and host retreats, conferences, and other events on campus. This office also supports on-campus departments as they plan meetings and coordinate the execution of support services. This office also seeks to develop new events and conferences with constituents of the Southern Baptist Convention and other Christian organizations. Events may be scheduled by contacting the Office of Campus Hospitality, at 502-897-4072.

Safety and Security

The Department of Safety and Security is located in the McCall Pavilion, room 100. This department is comprised of trained employees who provide services every day of the year, with a 24-hour a day dispatch center and security guards who patrol the campus, the escorting of students, emergency response, and monitoring campus through CCTV cameras. State-of-the-art fire alarm systems are monitored from the dispatch center. Female dorms, administrative and classroom buildings are locked and unlocked daily depending on schedules. Parking permits are issued by this department, as well as traffic enforcement. Risk management is also the responsibility of the Department of Safety and Security.

The Department of Safety and Security works continuously with all other areas of the seminary to provide a safe and secure environment for all students, faculty, visitors, and employees.

Housing

Student housing offers the convenience of designated parking and easy access to all facilities, with the comfort of 24-hour protection from campus security. The monthly charge for most units includes high-speed internet, private telephone, cable T.V., and utilities.

An application for student housing is included in the seminary admissions material. Although confirmation cannot be made until officially accepted for admission, students are encouraged to submit the application for housing and required deposit when applying for admission. Once admission to the seminary is confirmed, housing is reserved in the order that each housing application and deposit are received.

Coin-operated washers and dryers are available at various locations across campus. Pets are allowed only in the Grinstead South apartments. For locations of on-campus housing facilities, see the campus map in the back of this catalog. For more information or current rates, please contact the Student Housing office.

Residence Halls

Carver, Manly, Mullins, Sampey, Whitsitt, and Williams Halls offer single and double rooms for single students or married students not accompanied by families. Age restrictions apply for certain halls.

Fuller Hall

These unfurnished one-bedroom apartments feature a living room, bath and kitchen. Each apartment has a small storage area in the basement. All utilities are included.

Foster Hall

These twelve unfurnished one-bedroom apartments are for married students without children. Preference is given to doctoral students. Residents pay their own electric charges.

Grinstead South Apartments

These unfurnished one and two-bedroom apartments are available to single, married, or married students with children. These are the only units on campus that allow pets.

Samuels Missionary Apartments

These two-bedroom apartments are available to missionaries on state-side assignment. Each apartment is completely furnished and contains all necessary house wares such as dishes and flatware. Storage lockers for small items are available in the basement of the building.

Springdale Apartments

These unfurnished two-bedroom apartments are reserved for married students without children. Residents are responsible for electricity and telephone service. Washer and dryer connections are available in first floor apartments.

Commuter Housing

Space is available on a semester basis for students who regularly commute to campus during school terms, one to four nights each week. Telephone and internet access are available in each room.

Employment

Church

The location of several hundred churches within commuting distance of the seminary campus allows ministry involvement to be an integral part of a student's seminary experience. Many of these congregations provide opportunities for students to gain practical experience in ministry while attending seminary. Students serve as pastors, or in music ministries, youth ministries, Christian education, and a variety of other leadership positions.

Although the seminary does not guarantee placement in church staff positions, it does offer assistance with employment searches. Assistance in finding remunerative ministerial employment is provided through the Ministry Resources Office; volunteer work, through the Applied Ministry Office.

The Ministry Resources Office assists students, graduates, and alumni by referring their résumés to search committees and church or institutional representatives seeking ministers and by hosting candidate interviews as requested by churches, ministry organizations, denominational agencies, and state conventions. The office also arranges the publicity for new ministry opportunities, provides guidance for the preparation of ministerial résumés, and maintains information about other resources available to assist students and graduates with their searches for ministry positions. The office can be contacted by phone at 800-626-5525, extension 4208, or via e-mail at ministryresources@sbts.edu.

Secular

Many seminary students and student spouses find secular employment, either on campus or off campus, with the aid of the Human Resources Office. Qualified applicants with good job experience and work skills are in demand for positions at the seminary. Human Resources takes applications, administers skills testing, and refers students and student spouses to appropriate positions within the seminary. The Human Resources office accepts applications for employment with the seminary at any time during office hours. Applications should be updated at the beginning of each semester.

Human Resources also offers assistance for students and student spouses who wish to find off-campus employment in the Louisville area. The Employment Opportunities Bulletin provides a weekly list of jobs, full or part time positions, from various organizations nearby. The listing is available through e-campus.

Final employment arrangements seldom can be made prior to the applicant's arrival in Louisville, but applications for on-campus work are accepted before students arrive in Louisville.

