

MTSO freezes tuition

Cost for master's programs is unchanged for '09-'10

Tuition for the four master's degree programs at Methodist Theological School in Ohio will remain unchanged for the 2009-2010 academic year. At the request of the MTSO administration, the school's board of trustees voted unanimously to freeze the figure for the upcoming year.

"It's well known that these are challenging financial times for higher-education institutions, but they're also difficult for students," said MTSO President Jay Rundell. "We believe these extraordinary times call for special sensitivity to the personal finances of those we're preparing for ministry."

The school also will continue its strong commitment to student financial aid. At MTSO:

- 94 percent of eligible students receive financial assistance from the institution.
- 45 percent receive scholarships, many of which are institutionally funded full-tuition scholarships.

- 49 percent receive recognition awards, grants and other financial assistance from the school. The average award amount for eligible non-scholarship students is \$2,750.

Full-time tuition for a full academic year in MTSO's master's programs remains at \$13,770. Tuition for students pursuing a Doctor of Ministry degree is \$12,000 for the entire four-year program, an increase of \$1,000—the first Doctor of Ministry tuition increase since the program was introduced in 2004.

Prospective students can find more information and plan a visit to MTSO at www.mtso.edu/prospective/admissions.htm.

Located in Greater Columbus on U.S. Route 23, the Methodist Theological School in Ohio is an ecumenical school, preparing transformational leaders for service to the church and the world. MTSO offers master's degrees in divinity, counseling ministries, theological studies and Christian education, as well as a Doctor of Ministry degree. For more information, visit www.mtso.edu.

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