DROP DEADLINE FOR SPRING
The deadline to drop classes through SIS for the Spring 2015 semester and still receive a 50% tuition refund is February 8, 2015. If you drop after that date, an Academic Petition is required. Each drop will incur a $25.00 fee. We want you to succeed, so if you find yourself struggling with the load, please contact your professor and/or academic advisor as soon as possible.

“LOVE IS IN THE AIR” WESTERN STUDENT SOCIAL - FEBRUARY 9
“Love is in the Air” is back by popular demand for you romantics! All students, staff, and faculty are invited to bring your dinner, fellowship and have some decadent desserts on Western! We will meet in the lobby at the San Jose campus from 7:00-7:30pm.

NEW AUDIT RATE THIS SUMMER - $75/CREDIT! TELL A FRIEND!
There are great learning/growing opportunities even in auditing a course. Beginning this summer semester, the audit rate will be significantly reduced to $75/credit (from $175/credit) to enable more people to get a taste of Western. Tell a friend! There is a simple registration process. Please contact Carrie Priest at carrie_priest@westernseminary.edu for any audit registration questions.

SUMMER 2015 PLANNING - OPEN REGISTRATION IS MAR. 1-31
Open Registration for the summer semester will begin March 1 and ends March 31. The Summer 2015 schedule will be available online around mid-February, so take a look then and start planning ahead. It is recommended that you check in with your academic advisor about your plans to ensure you’re on the right track with course sequencing, prerequisites, load, etc.

Some summer electives that will be offered and are available to audit are:
- Developing Strong Families/PTS 508SH (2 credits) - Gary Thomas (June 30-July 2)
- Isaiah/BLS 523S (2 credits) - Dr. Ron Allen (July 7-10)
- Preparing for Ministry Transition (1 credit) - Dr. Steve Korch (Dates: TBD)
- Gospel-Centered Preaching/PTS 562JS (2 credits) - Dr. Jeff Louie (Dates: TBD)
- Art Therapy Introduction/CNS 565FS (1 credit) - Ann Arnold (Dates: TBD)

ONLINE HELP SITE FOR STUDENTS
We have set up a systems help site for students that supports the Online Learning Center (OLC), Online Classrooms, and Integrate. If you have questions regarding these systems, refer to this help site: http://www.westernseminary.edu/help

TIME BUDGETING TOOL
Time management is one of the top concerns among most graduate students. We’ve developed a Time-Budgeting Tool to help you fit seminary into the rest of your life. This tool will assist you in balancing your life hours,

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study hours, and free time each week. We hope you find this helpful.

**SUGGESTIONS/COMMENTS BOX**

We have a designated "Suggestions/Comments Box," and we’d love to get your feedback on ways we can improve and/or what we’re doing well so that Western Seminary can provide you with the best possible student experience. Let us know. We’d love to hear from you. The box is located on the table under the Vizio (the flat screen monitor) in the lobby.

**AMAZON DISCOUNTS FOR ELIGIBLE STUDENTS**

Did you know that Amazon gives discounts for eligible students? Generally, a .edu e-mail address is required, however you may be eligible if you’re able to provide proof of enrollment in at least one course at a college or university located in one of the 50 states or the District of Columbia. You may be eligible to enroll in Amazon Student through this alternative process.

To provide proof of enrollment, please send an e-mail to www.amazon-student-verification@amazon.com from the e-mail address associated with your Amazon.com account. In the message, include one of the following:

- A scan of your student ID displaying the current term or an expiration date; just a student ID number is not valid
- A transcript or class list for the current term with your name and your school’s name on it
- A tuition bill for the current term with your name and your school’s name on it

You must also include all of the following information:

- Your name
- The state where you attend school
- The name of your college or university
- Your academic level (e.g., Freshman, Sophomore, Junior, Senior or Graduate)
- Your major

Amazon will review your submission to determine your eligibility. If they determine you’re eligible, you’ll receive an Amazon Student enrollment confirmation e-mail within 3-5 business days. By submitting the information requested above, you acknowledge that if your enrollment is confirmed, you agree to their Terms and Conditions.

**MINISTRY & EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES**

We receive regular contact from churches and para-church organizations. Please see the Ministry and Employment Opportunities and Counseling binders in the front lobby for more information about the recent (and previous) postings:

- **Cantonese Minister/Pastor (full-time)**
  Chinese Church In Christ (CCIC-SJ)
  1490 Saratoga Ave., San Jose 95129
  
  Email John Lee at chungyoungleee@gmail.com.

**Business Services Accountant (full-time)**

Central Coast Baptist Association
2005 De La Cruz Blvd., Ste. 120
Santa Clara 95050

CCBA (a local Southern Baptist Association of churches) offers competitive salary, health insurance and other benefits when position reaches tenure milestones. You may view the job description at http://ccbaministries.org/employment-opportunities. Send resumes and references to: employment@ccbaministries.org.

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The Christian Therapist Fellowship Presents:

Ultimate WORTH

Who We Are: The Christian Therapist Fellowship is a vibrant gathering of local counselors encouraging and equipping one another in Christ for excellence in service.

When: Friday, February 20 from 12:00pm - 2:30pm

Presenter: Dr. Russ Llewellyn, Ph.D.
Dr. Llewellyn has had a significant career as a pastor, a therapist, a speaker, and an author of seven books. He currently serves as the prayer pastor at Peninsula Covenant Church in Redwood City.

The Topic: We will explore the issues of how humility affects our self-esteem, and how adversity, suffering and neglect threaten our worth. From a biblical perspective, we will see how God intends to produce in us and the people we see a worth that lasts forever.

Location: Western Seminary, 469 El Camino Real, Ste. 205, Santa Clara
Not available for CEUs this time. A free will offering will be taken.

Feel free to bring your lunch as we delve into this subject. RSVP by 2/13/15 to stevedarro@aol.com.
Western Alumni and Students presenting at the 2015 BASS Church Workers Conference from March 5-7

FRIDAY, MARCH 6

Kirk Bertsche
Master of Exegetical Theology - Class of 2005
How Old is God's Creation?
9:00-10:15 a.m. Room: N10

Jack Hagler (and wife, Liz)
Master of Divinity in Pastoral Ministry - Class of 1987 and coach training
The Easy Way To Do a Family Devotion
10:30-11:45 a.m. Room: D5

Joy Liu (formerly Wong)
MA in Marital and Family Therapy - Class of 2008
Cultivating Character in the Youth You Love: Tools to Impact Even the Most Difficult Kids
10:30-11:45 a.m. Room: N11

Rolanda Smith
Marital and Family Therapy student
Creating Good Safety Measures for Youth Ministry
1:30-2:45 p.m. Room: N10

Peter Lam (and wife, Emily)
Former student
The Power of Our Words
3:00-4:15 p.m. Room: N9

Valerie Doyle
MA in Marital and Family Therapy - Class of 2006
Singles & Single Parents: What is Behind the Need? Can God Deliver?
3:30-5:45 p.m. Room: N13

SATURDAY, MARCH 7

Dr. Peter Wang
MA in General Ministry - Class of 1998
Christian Family and Church Response to "Emerging Adulthood" – How To Encourage Today's Young Adults Toward Maturity
8:00-9:15 a.m. Room: N10

Anthony Liu
MA in Marital and Family Therapy with Addiction Studies Certificate - Class of 2008
Teens Viewing Porn -- It IS a Big Deal!
8:00-9:15 a.m. Room: N11

Pira Tritasavit
Master of Divinity - Class of 2011 and coach training
He Said, She Said, God Says: Coaching for Marriage Oneness
12:45-2:00 p.m. Room: Heritage

Dr. Peter Wang
MA in General Ministry - Class of 1998
Effective English Ministry in an Asian Immigrant Church Context
12:45-2:00 p.m. Room: N10

Winnis Chiang
MA in Marital and Family Therapy - Class of 1998
Dealing with Feelings
(presented in Cantonese)
2:15-3:30 p.m. Room: N9

Colleen Lam Nguyen
MA in Marital and Family Therapy - Class of 2010
Emotions of a Teen: Decoding Depression
(presented in Cantonese)
2:15-3:30 p.m. Room: N9

Winnis Chiang
MA in Marital and Family Therapy - Class of 1998
Help! Nobody is Listening
(presented in Cantonese)
3:45-5:00 p.m. Room: N10

Pira Tritasavit
Master of Divinity - Class of 2011 and coach training
Mo' Money, Mo' Problems - No Money, Mo' Problems: Coaching for Financial Peace of Mind
3:45-5:00 p.m. Room: N9

For more information about BASS, visit www.bassconvention.org.

Western is in need of volunteers to help promote Western at our booth at BASS. Contact Muna Farhat at 408-356-6889 x407 if you have a few hours available to help.