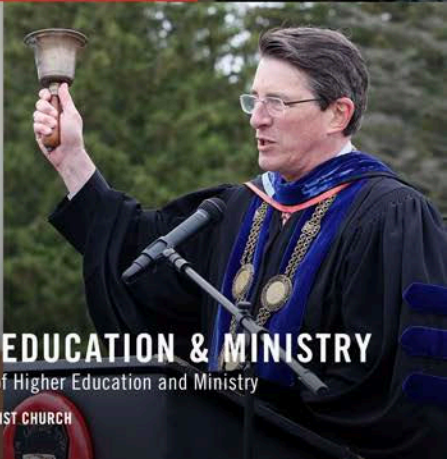
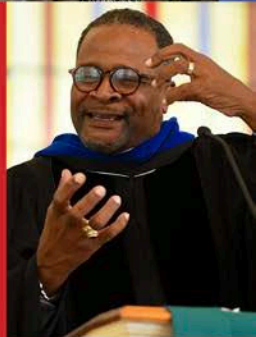




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The General Board of Higher Education and Ministry (GBHEM) is pleased to distribute the 2021 – 2022 CEO Directory of United Methodist-affiliated Schools, Colleges, and Universities. The annual CEO directory functions as a valued informational tool reminding us to connect often with treasured friends and colleagues. It also symbolizes a roll call, acknowledging the presence of executive leaders at 109 United Methodist-affiliated institutions, unwavering in their work to transform the lives of students by educating body, mind, and spirit.

The United Methodist Church's commitment to education is historically rooted in the vision and actions of the founder of the Methodist movement, John Wesley. Wesley encouraged intellectual development alongside spiritual growth and the pursuit of sanctification. He worked to connect 'knowledge and vital piety,' relate faith and reason, and educate the whole person: body, mind, and spirit.

The institutions inside this directory are among the finest in the world and contribute to the greater good of humanity and to the health and well-being of society. They are stewards of that which is rooted in Methodism's whole person education and strategically live out intellectual development, a global mindset, service, justice, and belonging. The vast expanse of Methodism's educational footprint cannot be overstated.

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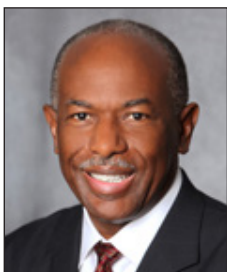
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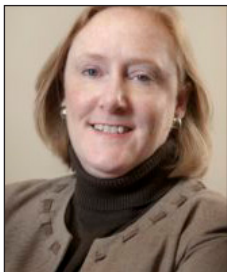
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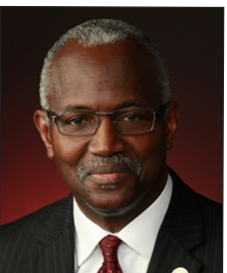
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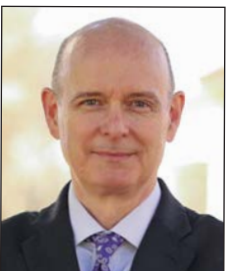
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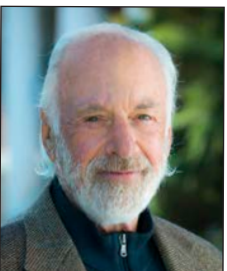
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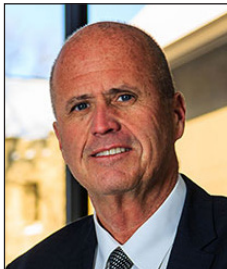
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For more than a century, the University Senate has endeavored to support the extensive network of the 112 United Methodist schools, colleges and universities across the country and to provide assurance to students related to the quality of education provided by our partner institutions.

The United Methodist Church has more colleges, universities, theological schools, and preparatory schools related to it than any other non-Roman Catholic denomination. The predecessor bodies of The United Methodist Church were anxious to serve the larger society by engaging in education. In this they were true to John Wesley's own concern for education and, more specifically, to the institution building commitments of early American Methodism. American Methodism has always sought to serve the general community, as well as its own members, through a series of complex institutions including colleges, schools, hospitals, orphanages, retirement homes, and publishing operations. The University Senate was established in 1892, one of the earliest accrediting bodies in the United States. Indeed, the Senate began modeling peer review processes in the U.S. even before the current system of regional accreditation had been established. In that regard, the University Senate was instrumental in giving shape to the current regional accreditation system. Thus, the Senate's mission was to be certain that the schools, colleges, and universities related to the church be worthy of bearing the name of The United Methodist Church, in one way or another. And, today, the University Senate continues to be charged with the responsibility of reviewing all United Methodist-related educational institutions, at least once every ten years, to determine their eligibility to remain a part of this important network of educational centers. In recent years the task has become less one of accreditation, in large part because this work is done by regional accrediting bodies, and more one of review of the way in which an institution is in fact related to The United Methodist Church. Such relationships differ, and this is inevitable. History, geography, finances, governance structure, and current realities differ for each school. Nevertheless, there are seven "marks of church relationship" which should be manifested if an institution is to be related meaningfully to The United Methodist Church. Among these are the following:

- A church related institution identifies itself as such in printed materials, official listings, and other statements of self-description.
- A church related institution respects, honors, and provides the teaching of religion and, specifically, appropriate scholarly theological teaching in the Christian tradition within the curriculum. In the case of professional institutions and programs, the curriculum includes opportunity for faculty and student reflection on the ethical dimensions of professional practice.

- A church related institution respects and honors religious practice and, specifically, worship and service for students and faculty that choose to participate in the Christian tradition within the total life of the school.
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The Book of Discipline of The United Methodist Church (par. 1415.3) charges the University Senate along with other responsibilities: “To provide an effective review process to ensure that schools, colleges, universities, and theological schools listed by the University Senate and qualifying for Church support have institutional integrity, well-structured programs, sound management, and clearly defined Church relationships.” The University Senate does its work through its commissions and committees that operate in accord with the policies and procedures established by the Senate. The organization, policies, and procedures are revised frequently to enable the Senate to do its work in the rapidly changing field of higher education.

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