

**CANADA'S ONLINE EVANGELICAL SEMINARY** 

# 2021 COMMUNITY REPORT

"Expect great things from God. Attempt great things for God."

- William Carey



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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

So we say with confidence,

"The Lord is my helper; I will not be afraid..."

Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever.

Hebrews 13:6, 8

Just as in Jesus' day, there were many reasons in 2021 to live in fear. In the face of whatever obstacles we face, God's faithfulness to us through Jesus Christ never changes. We can trust in Him and not be afraid. May this report be a testimony to God's faithfulness in 2021.

Thank you for journeying alongside us.

In Christ.



Rev. Dr. Colin Godwin

President

#### **GLOBAL THEOLOGICAL EDUCATION**

At Carey Theological College, our mission is to make theological education accessible, practical, and achievable. We have helped hundreds of pastors and ministry leaders by providing accredited Master's and Doctoral level theological education for over three decades. Thanks to the generous support of faithful donors who share our vision, Carey has been able to offer a tuition-free start to **over 90 highly-qualified students** to jumpstart their studies since last Fall.

ith the guidance of GOD, we as a couple knew Carey and have been studying at Carey since 2021. After we were baptized in 2006, we had the desire to learn even more about God and the Bible. However, it was quite challenging for us to study theological courses when we were in China. Moreover, with our family of five moving to Thailand as UN refugees, the thought of continuing our studies had slowly moved aside.



# That was until we came across Carey, which provided us with an accessible platform to take our Master of Divinity online.

We are very grateful for Carey's flexible and rigorous academic attitude, and we are even more thankful that we were able to gain the President's Bursary from Carey, which is one of the greatest graces that God gifted to us during our life in exile. Let us cherish and enjoy the continuous progress in the following learning process that Carey will offer in the next academic year. We really hope there will be more opportunities for students like us in the future so that we will be better equipped to serve the Lord in our ministry."

Emmanuel,

John Law and Elim Yang, MDIV (ongoing)



I really appreciated the ability to further my education online, which allowed me to keep serving in my ministry context.

I found that the combination of formal learning taking place simultaneously with real-world ministry resulted in healthy and fruitful integration.



Kyle Merkel, MDIV (ongoing)















## CHRISTIAN RESIDENCE AT UBC

Carey is not just a place where pastoral leaders are trained, but also a place where the next generation of Christian community leaders is moulded. Living away from home in a city that is vastly different from where our residents are used to can be daunting. Faced with the challenges of a new environment and the stress of school, many young people can lose themselves. But at Carey Christian Residence, we walk alongside you as you discover how your faith can be lived out during your time at UBC.

od has blessed Carey so abundantly, and I am so thankful that I get to be a part of this amazing community every day. Being able to come alongside others and empathize with their worries while growing closer to Christ together in the community has been a major blessing this year, and contributing to this community through relationships with others has been something

I can intentionally pursue as a Resident Assistant this year. Carey is so much more than just a residence; it is a home away from home and has been a family to me. God is at work in this community, and the relationships formed here are ones I will cherish for the rest of my life."

- Sarah Schneidereit, Food and Nutritional Sciences (Second Year at UBC)

### YEAR IN REVIEW

244

UBC students applied for student residence

12

weekly and monthly social and discipleship activities

44

student residents stayed at Carey (full-capacity)

30k | 0

meals served at Carey student residence

20%

of our student residents are affiliated with the CBWC

**50** 💥

faculty and staff prayer fellowships

Master's and Doctoral level courses offered

3x 🕮

new theological students admitted versus last year 193

students enrolled in theological education

course registrations for various theological classes 40%

of enrolled theological students are Chinese

18%

are from the CBWC

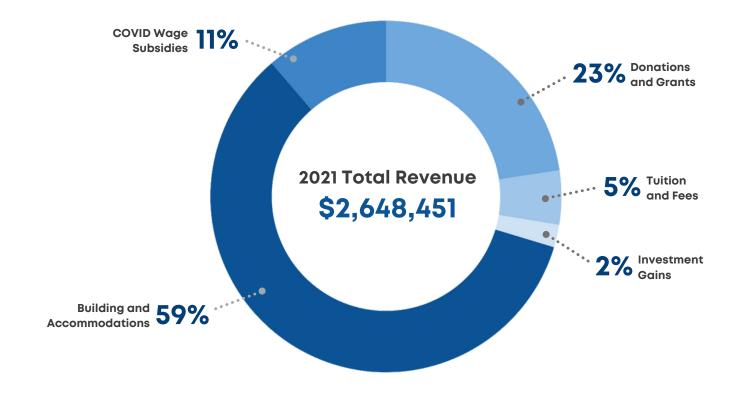
of our theological students

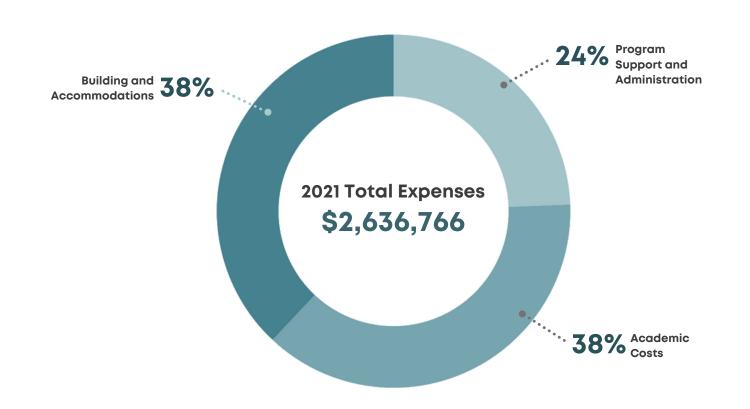
theological students completed their degree

theological students awarded financial aid \$180k

of financial aid granted to theological students

## **FINANCES**





### **BUILDING PROJECT**

In Fall 2018, Carey launched a campaign to raise funds for a building project in order to meet the growing demand for our Christian discipleship student residence program for UBC students. Much of the proceeds from our building are applied to scholarships and bursaries for our most promising pastors and ministry leaders at Carey Theological College as well as program activities for our student residence program. We are grateful to all of you who have continued to support us through donations and prayers and we hope that you will continue to partner with us *to expect great things from God and attempt great things for God*.







"To me, teaching at a seminary is more than imparting knowledge. The most important mission for me as a theological educator is to equip students to reflect theologically about their life and ministry, nurture spiritual habits that sustain their well-being, relationships and ministry, and walk alongside them in search of their vocational call."

- Rev. Dr. Chung-Yan (Joyce) Chan, Professor of Church History

"Working with students from different backgrounds from all over the world has made my teaching experience diverse and dynamic. Through distance learning, we open opportunities for students to exchange cultural experiences in their work and ministry. I look forward to meeting more students who demonstrate a passion for Jesus Christ."

- Dr. Wil Rogan, Assistant Professor of Biblical Studies (New Testament)

**MEET SOME OF THE CAREY TEAM** 

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