

BUILDING OUR FUTURE



FOR MORE THAN HALF A CENTURY, THE SCHOOL OF THEOLOGY'S HOME IN HAMILTON HALL HAS REMAINED RELATIVELY UNCHANGED, DESPITE MAJOR SHIFTS IN THE NEEDS OF OUR COMMUNITY. WE ARE NOW EMBARKING ON A COMPREHENSIVE RENOVATION PROJECT, WHICH WILL ENHANCE OUR ABILITY TO FORM STUDENTS AS FUTURE CHURCH LEADERS.

STEPPING INTO OUR MISSION

Constructed in 1968, Hamilton Hall was first designed as a space for soldiers, not seminarians—it housed the Sewanee Military Academy for over a decade. With the completion of top-to-bottom renovations, our building will finally fully inhabit the role it took on nearly fifty years ago: a hub for world-class theological instruction, Episcopal community-building, and spiritual growth.

Renovations are slated to begin Easter semester 2023. A committee of faculty, staff, and students has been working with MBB Architects and the University's campus planner, ensuring that all design elements serve students' learning and formation needs. Hamilton Hall is ideally positioned for easy access to central campus, ample parking, and prayer and worship in the Chapel of the Apostles.

As with all transitions, the reshaping of Hamilton Hall will require patience and flexibility. Our administrators and faculty are committed to minimizing disruptions in our students' daily routines and schedules. We will maintain our high academic standards and quality of instruction throughout this time of growth.



DELIVERING THE SEWANEE EXPERIENCE

It is the goal of our institution to form priests and scholars who are devout, learned, and useful. Every aspect of our renovation is designed to complement that aim.



A spacious reading room will greet students as they enter the foyer. It will provide permanent course reserves and a reference collection, so that students and faculty can easily consult these resources throughout the day. The reading room's prominent location sends a message: academic excellence is prioritized here.



Formation at the School of Theology involves more than just the classroom. We are dedicated to nurturing a deep sense of community among our students, faculty, and staff, and to offering spaces for refreshment and renewal. Our renovated building will have ample common area, perfectly suited for conversation.



Effective preaching is a skill that demands ongoing practice. Our new Samuel T. Lloyd Forum will be a fitting centerpiece for one of the finest preaching programs at any Episcopal seminary. From new seating to substantially improved acoustics and lighting, the space will facilitate strong connection between speaker and audience.

Additionally, our renovated building will include state-of-the-art classrooms, a new oratory, and private study carrels. Structural components, such as plumbing and electricity, will also be fully upgraded, and every part of our new space will be fully ADA compliant.



WHAT'S NEXT?

As we move into new phases of this landmark project you can keep up to date at theology.sewanee.edu/newhamilton.