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The “EMU Impact” on the Lancaster Area

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More than 31 percent of all church leaders (licensed or ordained) in Atlantic Coast Mennonite Conference, and 17 percent of Lancaster Mennonite Conference church leaders are alumni of EMU/EMS. Hundreds more serve as lay leaders in dozens of area congregations.

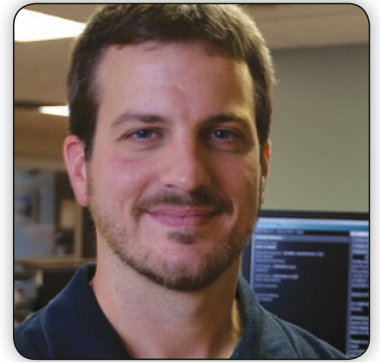
EMU alumni make up 24 percent of the Lancaster Mennonite School faculty and administrators.

More than 50 students from the Lancaster area currently attend EMU, including the seminary. The university awards more than \$500,000 in scholarships to these students annually.

The EMU at Lancaster site offers:

- **Pastoral studies and Gateway courses.** Approved in 2008 to offer Graduate certificates and the Master of Divinity degree. 133 students participated in 2007-08.
- **Study and Training for Effective Pastoral Ministry (STEP).** This program began in fall 2004 and has graduated 18 students. It provides training for licensed pastors who do not have college training. 2008-09 saw 29 students in three cohorts.
- **Adult Degree Completion Program.** The RN to BS degree in nursing program had 87 students in five different cohorts during the 2007-08 year.
- **Master of Arts in Education.** 20 graduates in 2007-08 and 140 teachers currently enrolled.
- **Graduate certificate** in “Peacebuilding and Conflict Transformation in Educational Settings.”

EMU is the largest training ground for Mennonite undergraduate and seminary students in the United States. It trains more peacebuilders (3,000-plus since 1994) than any Mennonite Church USA organization.



Duane Ringler, RN to BS
in Nursing student



Beth Yoder '79



Jose Diaz-Burgos,
Gateway course student

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Why be passionate about encouraging the youth of Lancaster Conference and Atlantic Coast Conference to attend EMU?

Experts agree that it is in college that young adults 1) form their most lasting friendships, 2) internalize a religious worldview, usually quite similar to that of their professors, and 3) decide how their faith will impact their vocation. In addition, many students will meet their future spouse!

These “outcomes,” though often not fully appreciated until age 35 or 40, will be radically different for a student at Penn State, or Swarthmore, as compared to EMU.

For these and other reasons, President Swartzendruber invites the parents and congregational leaders of Lancaster Conference and Atlantic Coast Conference to be actively involved in the college search process with your youth, and to advocate passionately for EMU and all Mennonite colleges.

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