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Nashotah House announces appointments to leadership team

Nashotah, Wisconsin (September 24, 2024) – Nashotah House Theological Seminary announces two key appointments to its leadership team.

The Rev. Benjamin Hankinson is now Director of Community Life and Operations, and the Rev. Dr. Paul Wheatley has been elected Chair of the Faculty. Hankinson and Wheatley join Dean Dr. Lauren Whitnah, Robin Little (Senior Director of Advancement) and Dr. Jim Watkins (Associate Dean of Academic Affairs) on the leadership team.

Hankinson joined the staff of Nashotah House in 2022 as Director of Admissions and has since helped streamline the seminary's admissions processes, cultivated new partnerships with undergraduate institutions and sending dioceses, and assumed the additional responsibility of directing field education. A 2014 graduate of Nashotah House and priest with canonical residency in the Episcopal Diocese of Springfield, Hankinson serves as priest-in-charge of Saint James Episcopal Church in West Bend, Wisconsin. In his new role, Hankinson has oversight of campus facilities and maintenance, IT, housekeeping, and the refectory.

Wheatley has served on the faculty as Assistant Professor of New Testament and Greek since 2020, teaching courses in New Testament, early Christianity and Greek. Wheatley completed his dissertation at the University of Notre Dame in 2022 on the role of baptismal imagery in the Gospel of Mark. A priest with canonical residency in the Episcopal Diocese of Dallas, Wheatley frequently presents his research nationally and internationally, while also serving the local church as a guest-preacher and lecturer. As faculty chair, he functions as the liaison between the faculty and the dean's office.

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“We’re grateful for Fr. Hankinson and Fr. Wheatley’s faithful service and their willingness to take on the additional responsibilities of administrative leadership,” said Dean Whitnah. “Nashotah House is strengthened by the many gifts they offer our campus community and the broader church.”

Founded in 1842, Nashotah House is a seminary located in Nashotah, Wisconsin, serving the Episcopal Church, Anglican Communion, and other ecumenical partners.