

FACULTY PROMOTIONS

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Peters has been a member of the Seminary faculty since 1991 and teaches courses in the areas of church and ministry, education, Bible, and ethics. He brings 18 years of pastoral ministry experience in the urban context to the Seminary classroom. He has been a consultant for the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church on a number of urban social policy, justice and racial/ethnic concerns. Current research interests include faith-based community ministry, men's ministry issues, reconciliation as public policy, at-risk youth, family ministry, and African spirituality.

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Before coming to Pittsburgh, Tuell taught at Erskine College, S.C. (1989-1992) and Randolph-Macon College, Va. (1992-2005), serving at both schools as department chair, and receiving numerous awards for teaching excellence. An ordained elder in the United Methodist Church, Tuell has served churches in Pennsylvania, New Jersey, West Virginia, and Virginia. He has written two books, a study of Ezekiel 40-48 and a commentary on 1 and 2 Chronicles in the Interpretation series, and with John Strong has co-edited *Constituting the Community: Studies on the Polity of Ancient Israel in Honor of S. Dean McBride, Jr.* (Eisenbrauns 2005).

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