Yale Divinity School

Name and Objectives

When Gold Does Not Rule: Reducing Student Indebtedness (we did not give Lilly a formal name)

1. A survey of our students' total indebtedness. We know their federal loan indebtedness, but not their consumer indebtedness.

2. Enhance financial counseling services among our current staff

3. Develop online materials for responsible financial management from theological and practical perspectives

4. Develop a course on faith, money, and theology

5. Cultivate partnerships with groups that can assist in providing financial aid

Activities to Date

We have sought approval from Yale's Institutional Review Board for conducting our survey. We cannot receive the funds until this approval has been granted. In the meantime, we have made preliminary arrangements to conduct the survey once the approval is in place, to hire an expert to assist with the development of an online handbook, and to organize our alumni board and our advisory council to form a task force to assist us with the cultivation of partners.

Important Resources

The most important resource that we have discovered to date is the material prepared by Anthony Ruger and Chris Meinzer for the Student Debt Workshop at the ATS Presidential Leadership Intensive Conference.

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