

Phillips Theological Seminary Major Historical Events

- 1906 Articles of incorporation executed for proposed Oklahoma Christian University on October 9, 1906 (Founders' Day).
- 1907 First classes of Oklahoma Christian University, Enid, OK, held on September 17, 1907. The College of the Bible was the primary constituent college of the new university. Frank Marshall was the university's only appointed dean in 1907 (took up duties in 1908).
- 1912 The university's name changes to Phillips University.
- 1913 A second, separate dean appointed for the College of Liberal Arts.
- 1919 College of the Bible gained regional accreditation.
- 1942 Stephen J. England became dean of College of the Bible.
- 1944 College of the Bible faculty divided into "graduate" and "undergraduate".
- 1951 College of the Bible divided into two schools: "The Graduate Seminary" and "The Undergraduate School". England still dean of both schools. The Graduate Seminary (only) received ATS accreditation.
- 1960 Separate deans appointed for "The Graduate Seminary" (England) and "The Undergraduate School" (Robert Martin). The Undergraduate School took the designation "College of the Bible" until 1971 when it was replaced with "Department of Religion and Philosophy".
- 1962 J. Daniel Joyce became dean of The Graduate Seminary of Phillips University.
- 1974 Fred B. Craddock became acting dean.
- 1975 Joe R. Jones became dean.
- 1979 James F. Caton became dean.
- 1983 C. William Bryan became interim dean.
- 1984 Roger Sizemore became dean.
- 1986 An off-campus center was established at The University of Tulsa in Tulsa, OK.
- 1987 On June 11, 1987, the seminary was incorporated as a free-standing institution of higher education with the name Phillips Graduate Seminary.
- 1988 Roger Sizemore was elected as the first president of Phillips Graduate Seminary on March 24, 1988.
- 1990 Harold Hatt appointed acting president.
- 1991 William Tabbernee took up duties as president on April 23, 1991.
- 1995 Seminary's name changed to Phillips Theological Seminary.
- 1997 Decision made by trustees to consolidate campuses in Tulsa.
- 2002 Seminary took possession of its new campus facilities in Tulsa on August 30, 2002, and commenced renovations on October 1, 2002.
- 2003 Seminary began classes at 901 N. Mingo Rd., Tulsa, OK.
- 2009 Gary Peluso-Verdend took up duties as president on July 1, 2009.