



Denver Seminary Website FAQs

Denver Seminary has three primary websites: the main website is <http://www.denverseminary.edu>; Moodle is <http://moodle.densem.edu>; and MyDenSem is <http://my.densem.edu>. To help Denver Seminary students, staff, alumni, faculty and friends know where to go for the information they need, we have assembled this list of frequently asked questions. If you have a question that is not listed below, feel free to email webmaster@denverseminary.edu.

Feel free to also refer to the handy [website quick reference guide](#) below.

What is the purpose of each of Denver Seminary's websites?

Main Website

Denver Seminary's main website provides information and resources to all Denver Seminary constituencies, including prospective students, students, alumni, mentors, financial partners, friends, churches, the media, and more.

MyDensem

MyDenSem is a role-based, community-building intranet for Denver Seminary. Its primary users are prospective and current students and staff and faculty. Much of the content requires a login account to view and access. Content is provided to users based on the roles associated with their login account.

Moodle

Moodle provides an environment for professors of both classroom and online classes to provide electronic information and activities to their students. For classroom classes, a Moodle site is a supplement for the class. For an online class, a Moodle site is the virtual classroom where most communication for the class takes place.

What type of information will I find on each of the websites?

Main Website

Information on the main website is greatly varied, and includes, but is not limited to:

1. General information about Denver Seminary
2. Degree and program information
3. News and events and event registration
4. Resources like the Denver Journal and blogs



5. Faculty bios
6. Audio and video recordings and photo galleries
7. And much more.

MyDenSem

Information on MyDenSem is primarily role-based which includes:

1. Prospective students can request information online
2. Applicants can apply online and download all sorts of admissions forms
3. Students can register for their courses online, check schedules and final grades, view syllabi (coming in the fall), pay pending account balances, access student life resources, etc.
4. Faculty can access their course list and roster of each course, add course authorizations, etc.
5. Advisors can access their student's schedule, grades, program information, biographical info, and departmental class lists
6. Employees can access HR forms and policy files
7. Features such as calendar, campus groups, forums, personal page, etc. are available to all users to help build community

Moodle

Information on Moodle is centered around course activities, including:

1. Professors provide electronic documents, media files, quizzes, and threaded discussion questions for students.
2. Some professors provide places for students to upload assignments electronically, and make grades for specific assignments and tests available.
3. Syllabi for master's classes are currently in a common area on Moodle, but will be moving to MyDenSem in the fall to make them more accessible during registration.
4. Most professors of Master's level classes include a copy of their class syllabi on their Moodle class site.
5. The Doctor of Ministry office provides Doctor of Ministry syllabi on the Doctor of Ministry Moodle site.

For whom is each website designed?

Main Website

All Denver Seminary constituents and the general public.

MyDenSem

Constituents who have established certain relationships with Denver Seminary and who are accessing generally internal information.



Moodle

Professors and students.

Why are there three sites? Why not combine them into one?

The simple answer to this question is that each website provides solutions to different needs and that each website incorporates different technology for those solutions. Each website maintains its own database specific to its purposes and each has different levels of security for the information contained on the site.

Main Website

Because the main website is designed primarily to share general information with a wide variety of audiences, most of the information is publicly available to anyone who visits the site. While a login account is required to access the private, online community, post comments or discussion threads, register for an event or make an online donation, anyone can create their own account regardless of their relationship to Denver Seminary. The only information that is private is information in the online community, and each user has the ability to set his or her own privacy settings within the community.

MyDenSem

MyDenSem is designed to be an intranet environment for the Denver Seminary campus community. Because most of the information is targeted to students and employees, accounts are created for each user based on their individual roles and relationship with the Seminary, providing a secure environment for students and employees to access information specific to their role. As an additional constituency, prospective students can request information or even fill out the application. An account with the prospect's info is created so that the prospect can access the portions of MyDenSem appropriate to his or her role.

Moodle

Moodle pages are only available to registered Denver Seminary students, Doctor of Ministry mentors, and Denver Seminary professors and staff members. Accounts are created for these different users, as security is of the utmost importance. Moodle also offers a number of tools (such as powerful, easy-to-create quizzes and a sophisticated grade book) that are not available on the other websites.

Why can't I have the same logon for each site?

Because each website uses different software, and runs under different operating systems on different servers, it is more secure for users that each logon remain separate. Each website also utilizes different logon mechanisms and password creation rules.

How can I get the most out of each website?



One of the options available in any website (not just Denver Seminary's sites) is to explore. Use the search feature, if it has one, and explore the navigation of each site to see what types of information are located there. If you need help locating something specific, use the contact information listed below for each website.

Main Website

To get the most out of Denver Seminary's main website, use the search feature in the top right corner of every page, or use the navigation across the top to identify the major grouping of information for which you are looking, then use the side navigation to drill down to specific information. If you create a login account to post a comment or register for an event, try to remember your user name and password so that you do not have to create another account (and enter all your personal information again) later.

MyDenSem

While some information is available to visitors without logging in, you will get the most out of MyDenSem when you log in to the website. Once you log in, you will have access to a plethora of information specific to you. In order to get the most out of MyDenSem, you are encouraged to log in and explore the available links and tabs. We encourage students to log in to MyDenSem regularly to access their personal academic information, register for classes, and be updated on important events and announcements. There is a handout on MyDenSem about how to set up your personal "My Page" so that you can put all the information you need to access in one convenient location. We encourage staff and faculty to go to MyDenSem to download the latest versions of employee forms and handbooks and other important information.

Moodle

Check the Moodle site for your class often to look for updates. The first time you try a new feature in Moodle, try to do it during Help Desk hours so you can get help if you need it. Try to take quizzes and post assignments early in case you experience technical problems.

Where do I go if I have problems with any of the websites?

Main Website

For any and all problems, questions or feedback related to Denver Seminary's main website, send an email to webmaster@denverseminary.edu or call 303-762-6948.

MyDenSem

Contact the Help Desk (helpdesk@denverseminary.edu, 303-762-6983, or ext. 2020 from an campus phone) with problems. If you have feedback or more general questions, please contact Huiling Wang at Huiling.Wang@denverseminary.edu.



Moodle

Your first point of contact for help with Moodle is the Denver Seminary Help Desk (helpdesk@denverseminary.edu, 303-762-6983, or ext. 2020 from an campus phone). They have extended hours to help students and professors. For questions that are specific to Moodle, such as a quiz that is not open when it's supposed to be open, contact Aaron Johnson (aaron.johnson@denverseminary.edu).



Denver Seminary Website Quick Reference Guide

Audiences (listed alphabetically)	Main Website	MyDenSem	Moodle
Advisors	✓	✓	
Alumni	✓		
Churches and Pastors	✓		
Current Students	✓	✓	✓
Denver Seminary Faculty	✓	✓	✓
Denver Seminary Staff	✓	✓	✓
Financial Partners	✓		
Friends of Denver Seminary	✓		
General Public	✓		
Media	✓		
Mentors of DMin Students	✓		✓
Mentors of Masters Students	✓		
Prospective Students	✓	✓	
Types of Information (not an exhaustive list)			
Academic Calendar	✓	✓	
Academic Catalog (archives)	✓		
Academic Catalog (current)	✓	✓	
Access student life resources		✓*	
Admissions applications	✓	✓	
Campus announcements	✓	✓	
Campus emergency notifications	✓	✓	
Campus group information		✓*	
Church directory	✓	✓	
Class documents			✓*
Class schedules		✓	
Seminary contact information	✓	✓	
Degree information	✓	✓	
Denver Seminary Magazine	✓		
Employment information	✓	✓(student)	
Event information and calendars	✓	✓	
Event registration	✓		



DENVER SEMINARY

Faculty access to class rosters		*	*
Faculty bios			
Financial aid information			
General information about the Seminary			
Online application			
Online giving	*		
Online quizzes			*
Pay student account balances		*	
Personal academic information		*	*†
Request admissions information			
Seminary blogs			
Seminary news			
Specific employee info and forms		*	
Student Handbook			
Student housing information	*	*	
Students check official grade reports		*	
Students check grades of assignments/tests			*^
Students register for classes		*	
Syllabi		*†	*†
The Denver Journal			
Threaded discussions	*	*	*
Training & Mentoring Information for Students		*	
Training & Mentoring Information for Mentors			
Upload assignments electronically			*
Video, mp3s and photo galleries			*^
Weather closure information			*^

* - May require a login account to access or post information

† - Master's level syllabi are currently on Moodle, but will be moved to MyDenSem starting the fall of 2009. Doctoral level syllabi on Moodle.

‡ - Available information may be limited

^ - Information specific to particular classes