

CENTERS OF THE UNIVERSITY

The Centers of the University were established to promote the ideals of different academic departments to deal Christianly with issues. Each Center is headed by a Director, who also serves the University as a faculty member or in other capacities.

Below is a list of the Centers along with their purpose statements and directors.

R. C. Ryan Center for Biblical Studies

Director: Ray F. Van Neste

The Center exists to promote thoughtful and disciplined reading, study, interpretation, and application of the Bible in the church throughout the world. The Center houses a model library for the study of the Scriptures, which is open to the public. Every other year the Center hosts a Bible study conference.

Center for Business and Economic Development

The purpose of this Center is to be the premier provider of economic and business information to Jackson and West

Center for Faculty Development

Associate Director: Nan Thomas

The mission of the Center for Faculty Development is to encourage and support:

- (a) Effective and innovative teaching;
- (b) Professional development and professional growth;
- (c) Integration of faith and life with the casual and classroom setting;
- (d) Innovation in teaching and learning.

The Center conducts the following programs: (a) New Faculty Orientations, the New Faculty Mentoring program, and the annual training for all faculty (In the Academy). The Center also sponsors the Newell Innovative Teaching Awards and a variety of teaching/learning activities. The Center hosts an annual integration of faith and life colloquium for faculty to learn how to think about their disciplines.

Center for Excellence in Health

Care Partners

Director of Health Care Educational Development: