

Why can I no longer access the full DTL?

It has actually never been legal for alumni to utilize the DTL once they graduate, due to the DTL's regulations and their agreements with publishers and authors. For a long time, alumni were technically able to utilize the DTL after graduation by just continuing to use their student login information. About a year ago, though, the DTL updated its login system to make sure that only current students were able to use their resources. Again, this was to bring things into compliance with what had always been the expectation.

Is this the same Seminary Bookshelf I heard about in January 2023?

It isn't. At the beginning of 2023, the DTL organized a set of resources, also called the Seminary Bookshelf, and allowed us to offer that to our alumni for \$10 per year. Shortly after we made that available, though, the US Supreme Court made a ruling that rendered what that Seminary Bookshelf was offering illegal.

The good news is that, in response to the ruling, the DTL is now providing a second iteration of the Seminary Bookshelf for theological school alumni. It is not as extensive as the full DTL but is actually much better than the original Seminary Bookshelf.

How much does the new Seminary Bookshelf cost?

The regular cost is \$10 *per month*. Because of our relationship with the DTL, we are able to offer two discount options to our alumni: you can subscribe to the Seminary Bookshelf for only \$7.50 per month **OR** get a 3 month free trial to test it out (and then pay the regular \$10 per month from month 4 onward).

Can I use the 3 month free trial and then switch to the discounted monthly subscription rate?

No, you can only use one discount on your account.

How do I sign up for Seminary Bookshelf?

Go to the [Seminary Bookshelf subscription website](#). Here they will ask for your name, email, shipping (which you need to fill out even though nothing will be actually shipped to you), and billing information. You can use **only one** of the following two promotions at checkout.

Please contact the Alumni Office for access to the promo codes: alumni@gcts.edu | 978-646-4272.

- **Free 3-month trial:** To try the new iteration of Seminary Bookshelf for free for three months, the user must sign up for an ongoing membership with automatic payment via credit card, bank account, or PayPal. The membership can be cancelled at any time, but billing will be automatic after 3 months (at \$10/month) unless the membership is cancelled.
- **Ongoing 25% discount:** To receive the 25% discount, making the rate \$7.50/month for as long as you remain a member of the Seminary Bookshelf.