

# MESSIAH UNIVERSITY

— see anew —



A nationally ranked, private  
Christian university in central Pennsylvania



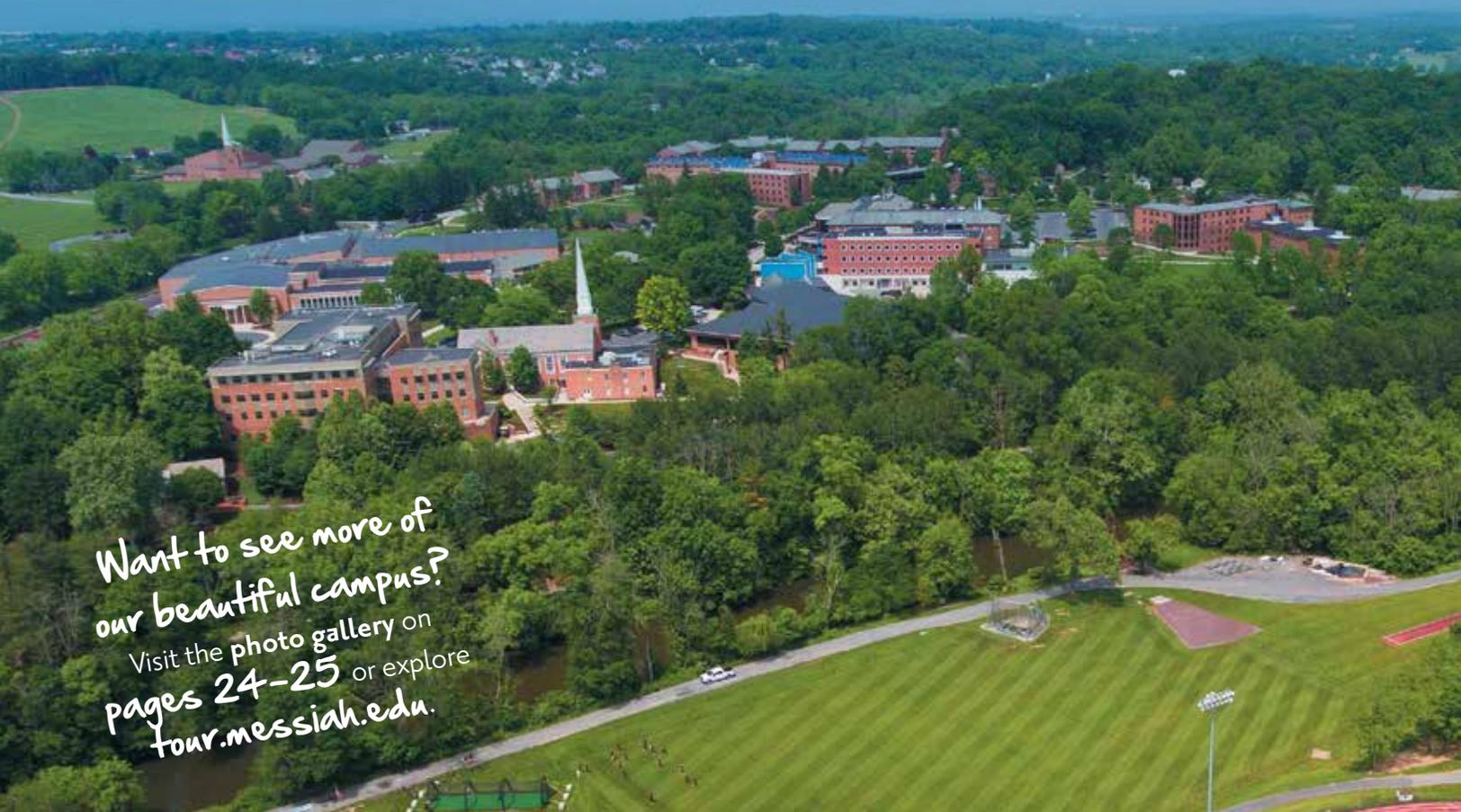
At Messiah University, your life, your faith,  
your world and your possibilities open up.

# You see anew.

So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation:  
everything old has passed away;  
**see, everything has become new!**

2 CORINTHIANS 5:17 (NRSV)

Want to see more of  
our beautiful campus?  
Visit the photo gallery on  
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[tour.messiah.edu](http://tour.messiah.edu).



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### THE MESSIAH METAPHOR

At Messiah, each student brings a valuable perspective that is *celebrated, appreciated and allowed to remain distinct*. In the grace of our shared love of Christ — and in our worship, study and service — we combine our individual contributions into a community that is more beautiful together, **like a strong and vibrant stained glass window**.

And the insight that is born in everyone is the *light that shines through*. Together we **see anew**.



How can Messiah help you see anew? Learn more at [messiah.edu/seeanew](https://messiah.edu/seeanew).

# Experience the distinction

*of a nationally ranked Christian university*

## Overview

Messiah University is a nationally ranked, private Christian university with 3,392 undergraduate and graduate students, located in Mechanicsburg, Pennsylvania, just 12 miles from the state capital city of Harrisburg. Messiah's faith base is broadly evangelical and includes students and employees from 35+ church denominations and Christian faith traditions.

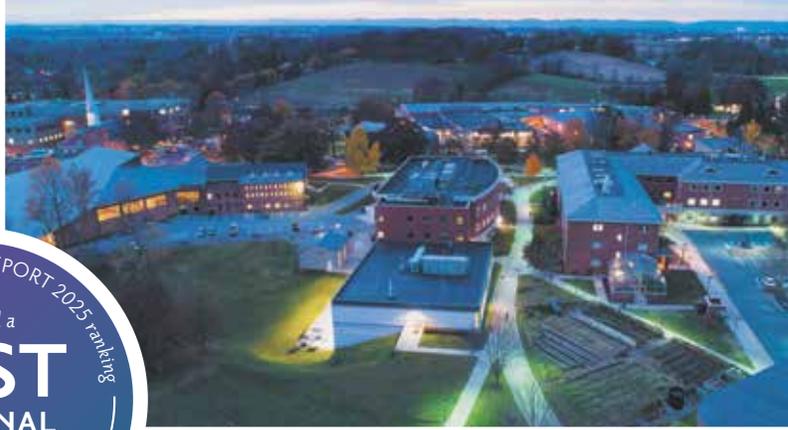
## Campus locations

**MAIN CAMPUS:** Messiah's scenic 385-acre suburban campus is located in central Pennsylvania, providing easy access to urban centers such as Philadelphia, Baltimore and Washington, D.C.

**NEARBY:** Messiah's School of Graduate and Professional Studies, including teaching and lab facilities for occupational and physical therapy, is housed in our state-of-the-art educational facility named Winding Hill, located just 10 minutes from main campus.

## Proven academic excellence

Messiah consistently ranks among the "Best Regional Universities" in the northeastern U.S., according to U.S. News & World Report, and is recognized as one of the best schools in the Northeast by Forbes and The Princeton Review. Visit [messiah.edu/rankings](https://messiah.edu/rankings).



U.S. NEWS & WORLD REPORT 2025 Ranking  
 Named a  
**BEST REGIONAL UNIVERSITY**  
 IN THE NORTHERN U.S.

**72%** graduate within four years vs. 56% national average



**2,618**  
 undergraduate students



AVERAGE CLASS SIZE  
**20**  
 STUDENTS

The mission of Messiah University is to educate men and women toward **maturity of intellect, character** and **Christian faith** in preparation for lives of **service, leadership** and **reconciliation** in church and society.



UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS  
**85%**  
 LIVE ON CAMPUS



**23%** international and domestic students of color

Students from **39** states and **23** countries



# Navigate *a field of ideas*

## Academic distinction

Messiah University is nationally recognized for its integration of top-tier academics and Christian faith. We combine a rich liberal arts experience (subjects like history, English, language, music and theology) with applied professional programs (such as business, education, engineering and nursing). Our world needs problem solvers who can think across established boundaries. Our general education curriculum — integrated with courses

in your major— deepens your expertise while developing your ability to think critically, communicate effectively and sharpen your insight across multiple cultures and contexts.



At Messiah, you get an education that prepares you for not only your future career, but life overall. **You learn what it means to answer your calling and the importance of faith within any profession.**

—Mati Wimer '24



## Choose from 80+ majors

Messiah awards bachelor's degrees in more than 80 majors (see the back cover). Specialized programs include off-campus study, individualized majors, independent study, service-learning, internships, early assurance applied health programs and a flourishing Honors Program. We also offer three-year degree options and accelerated programs, allowing motivated students to graduate early or earn their graduate degree faster.

Still exploring which major you want to study? Messiah University provides a wide network of resources—through a program we call Explore U—designed to help you discover which academic program best fits your goals.

## Distinguished faculty mentors

Messiah professors are educated in top universities and involved in groundbreaking scholarly and artistic work. They are also committed Christians who get to know you personally, challenge and



STUDENT/FACULTY  
12:1  
RATIO

MESSIAH GRADUATES ARE  
Rhodes  
Fulbright  
Carnegie  
Truman  
Boren  
DISTINGUISHED SCHOLARS

*You deserve some credit!*

Many students come to Messiah with college credit earned in high school through AP, CLEP, IB and DSST exams—as well as dual enrollment courses. Explore credit equivalencies at Messiah:



[messiah.edu/transferdatabase](http://messiah.edu/transferdatabase)

mentor you academically—and invite you to engage those ideas with your Christian faith.

**Undergraduate research**

Messiah students don't have to wait until graduate school to get involved with hands-on research. You'll have opportunity to take part in meaningful research across all of our majors. Your professors will help you identify research projects that fit your interests, apply for funding and publicly present what you've learned. Messiah's emphasis on professional research skills, publication and presentation makes you well prepared and in demand by graduate schools and employers.

Designing a prosthetic hand for a 5-year-old girl who wants to ride a bike. Protecting genetic privacy in the age of DNA databases. Determining more effective treatments for post-traumatic stress. Finding ways to remove arsenic from drinking water. *These are just some of our students' research projects that are making the world a better place.*

“  
At Messiah, I know the students in my classroom personally. ... I get to see God through younger eyes and they get to hear about a life lived with Jesus from someone looking back on what is still ahead for them.  
—Randy Fish,  
professor of engineering  
”

To learn more about **academic opportunities at Messiah**, visit [messiah.edu/academics](http://messiah.edu/academics).

# Where in the world *would you like to go?*

## North America

- American Studies Program  
Semester, Washington, D.C.
- Au Sable Institute of Environmental Studies, Mancelona, Mich. and Whidbey Island, Wash.
- Baltimore Urban Studies, Baltimore, Md.
- Chicago Semester, Chicago, Ill.
- Contemporary Music Center, Nashville, Tenn.
- O’Neill National Theater Institute, Waterford, Conn.
- Oregon Extension, Ashland, Ore.
- Washington, D.C. cross-cultural
- Westmont Urban Program Semester, San Francisco, Calif.

“  
Studying abroad in Costa Rica was a dream come true. ... I lived with a host family, completed my Spanish minor, joined a local church, and went on several excursions. Highlights were swimming in a waterfall, walking near a volcano, and even seeing a sloth!  
— Sarah Vielle '24  
”



## Latin America

- Au Sable Institute of Environmental Studies, Vara Blanca, Costa Rica
- ISA/Veritas, Costa Rica
- Jamaica cross-cultural
- Living & Learning International, Ecuador
- Quetzal Education Research Center, Costa Rica

## Africa

- ISA/Veritas, South Africa
- Kenya cross-cultural
- Uganda Studies Program
- Zambia cross-cultural

Messiah students choose from  
**60+** off-campus study and service locations in  
**40** countries



*Your world*  
**see anew**

## Engage your world

What may look like a quiet, suburban campus in central Pennsylvania is really six continents and 24 time zones. At Messiah, your college experience expands beyond our Mechanicsburg campus and reaches around the globe. You can choose to study or serve in one of 40 different countries, strengthening the groundwork you’ve been laying at Messiah all

along. Hear differing perspectives and weave new insights into a vision that is your own. When you return home, you see the world very differently. Events that once seemed remote now feel close, and you realize that, as a global citizen, how you respond matters. *Because you’ve been there, the broader world feels more real.*

## Europe

- Accès France
- American Business School in Paris
- Catholic University of Paris
- France cross-cultural
- Gordon in Orvieto, Italy
- Greece cross-cultural
- Iceland, Denmark, Sweden and Norway cross-cultural
- Ireland cross-cultural
- ISA/Veritas, London
- Italy cross-cultural
- LCC International University, Lithuania
- London Internship Program
- Netherlands cross-cultural
- Oxford Study Abroad Programme
- Scholars' Semester in Oxford
- Temple Rome, Italy
- University of Granada, Spain

“  
My cross-cultural experience in France is one I'll never forget. Traveling to Europe exposed our group to different food, art, languages and stories we could not have connected with as deeply in a classroom setting.  
—Carly Starling '25  
”



## Asia

- Council on International Educational Exchange, China (Shanghai)
- South Korea Semester
- Turkey cross-cultural

“  
I studied abroad for three weeks in Turkey and Greece visiting the churches of Revelation and many other biblical and historical sights. This trip made the Bible feel even more real than I know it to be and the professors make the trip so enjoyable and memorable.  
—Jordan Steffan '26  
”



INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS INSTITUTE

8 weeks

17 students

8 countries

Austria • Belgium • the Czech Republic  
Germany • Hungary • India  
the Netherlands  
the United Kingdom (U.K.)

## South Pacific

- ISA/Veritas, New Zealand



For a full list of available programs, visit [messiah.edu/study-abroad](http://messiah.edu/study-abroad).

## OTHER STUDY AND SERVICE OPTIONS:

### Serve through AROMA sports ministries at locations like:

- Columbia
- Costa Rica
- Guatemala
- Peru
- Uganda
- Zambia

### Major-specific off-campus study opportunities include:

- **Biology** (USA: Arizona, Colorado, Utah, Wyoming; Zambia)
- **Education**—international student teaching
- **Engineering** (Honduras, Kenya, Mexico, Nepal, Zambia)
- **History** (Greece)
- **Nursing** (Zambia)

### Our Agapé Center sponsors service trips to locations like:

- Dominican Republic
- Ecuador
- Poland
- USA (Washington, D.C.; Wilmington, Del.; Philadelphia, Pa.; Bronx, N.Y.; Crisfield, Md.; Maui, Hawaii)



# Making a living *and a life*

## Helping you succeed

From your first year to senior year, Messiah's Career and Professional Development Center supports your career planning and helps you explore your sense of calling. We work with you to determine your strengths, select a major, weigh your vocational options, research graduate schools or gather information on employers. Beyond providing resources helping you learn how to network, navigate a job fair, prepare for an interview and apply to graduate school, we also offer individual career coaching sessions.

## A top university for internships

Messiah's Internship Program is nationally recognized for preparing students for today's workforce. We help students find internships regionally, nationally or abroad in a variety of professional fields.



View our **Into the City** video:



## Into the City

One of Messiah's most popular student programs is Into the City, a unique, immersive career and networking program in major U.S. cities such as New York, Boston, Chicago, Charlotte, Philadelphia, Pittsburgh, Baltimore, Buffalo, Nashville, Washington, D.C. and Atlanta. Students connect over several days with Messiah alumni who live and work in metro areas—touring businesses, attending professional panels, dinners and receptions, making personal connections, and exploring specific career and internship opportunities.



### Into the City employers recently visited by our students

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|-----------------|-------------------------|---------------------|
| Barclays        | Google                  | Peace Corps         |
| Bloomberg       | Kennedy Center          | Philadelphia Eagles |
| Boston Globe    | Ketchum                 | The Smithsonian     |
| Boston Red Sox  | LinkedIn                | Time Warner         |
| Capitol Records | National Aquarium       | World Vision        |
| Charity: Water  | New York Stock Exchange | U.S. Secret Service |
| Chick-fil-A     |                         | The Today Show      |



“  
My Messiah education taught me to look at everything with a redemptive lens. My first season on Broadway, I felt like it was a gift. I could see in every show, redemption.  
—Jake Miaczynski '20, digital content associate at the Broadway League  
”

**95%**

MESSIAH'S CLASS OF 2024  
**EMPLOYED OR IN GRAD**  
**SCHOOL** WITHIN 6-9  
MONTHS OF GRADUATION\*

\* BASED ON SURVEY RESPONSES AND OTHER VERIFIABLE SOURCES

# Experiential Learning Initiative

Every Messiah University student participates in at least one “learning by doing” experience before graduation.



Students express what they’ve learned by creating one or more of the following deliverables to distinguish themselves with employers and grad schools.



## Outstanding preparation for life and career

At Messiah, we believe so strongly in preparing you for life and your future career that we’ve built that commitment right into our graduation requirements. Every undergraduate student at Messiah takes part in the Experiential Learning Initiative (ELI).

## Professional development events

To help students connect with potential employers and graduate schools, the Career and Professional Development Center also sponsors numerous events for students throughout the year, including:

- Career and graduate school expos
- Industry-specific career fairs



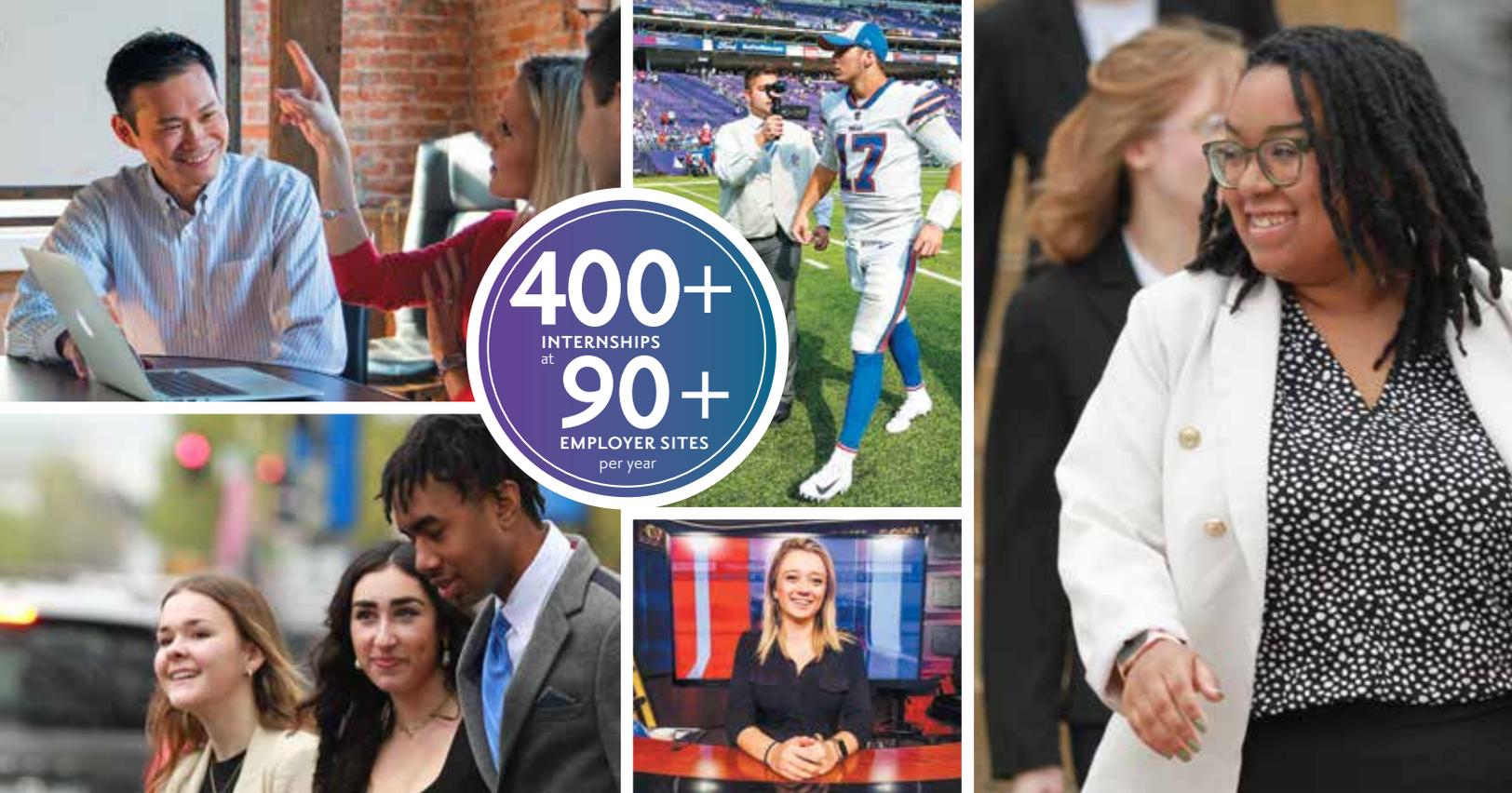
Experiential learning is essentially “learning by doing”—the opportunity you’ll have as a student to apply what you’re learning in an authentic real-world context. Before you graduate from Messiah, you will complete at least one of the experiential learning experiences illustrated above. You’ll work closely with a campus educator to shape the goals of your ELI experience and to develop a practical expression of what you’ve learned that will help you to distinguish yourself with graduate schools or employers.

## So where do you go from here?

Messiah alumni attend top-tier graduate and professional schools to become entrepreneurs, researchers, lawyers, artists, professors, health care providers and media shapers. They fill leadership roles in their places of employment, churches and communities. Regional and national employers seek out our graduates for their academic preparation, work ethic and personal character. *The transformation you experience at Messiah readies you to transform the lives of others through your chosen career.*



To watch a video about the Experiential Learning Initiative, go to [messiah.edu/eli](http://messiah.edu/eli).



**400+**  
 INTERNSHIPS  
 at  
**90+**  
 EMPLOYER SITES  
 per year

**Graduate and professional schools attended\***

- |  |  |
|--|--|
| Auburn University                        | The Ohio State University                                |
| Baylor College of Medicine               | Penn State   |
| Boston University                        | College of Medicine                                      |
| Carnegie Mellon University               | Penn State Dickinson Law                                 |
| Case Western Reserve University          | Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine             |
| Clemson University                       | Princeton Theological Seminary                           |
| Columbia University                      | Purdue University  |
| Cornell Law School                       | Syracuse University                                      |
| Dartmouth College                        | Temple University  |
| Drexel University                        | Texas A&M  |
| Duke University                          | Thomas Jefferson Medical College                         |
| Duquesne University                      | University of Colorado                                   |
| Emory University                         | University of Connecticut                                |
| Evangelical Seminary                     | University of Oxford (U.K.)                              |
| Fuller Theological Seminary              | University of Pennsylvania School of Veterinary Medicine |
| Georgetown University Law                | University of Pittsburgh                                 |
| George Washington University             | University of Virginia                                   |
| Harvard Law School                       | Virginia Tech  |
| James Madison University                 | Wake Forest Medical School                               |
| Johns Hopkins University                 | William & Mary Law School                                |
| King's College London                    |  |
| Michigan State University College of Law |  |

**Recent employers of Messiah graduates\***

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|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Amazon Web Services                 | KPMG                              |
| Americorps                          | LINKBANK                          |
| Apple, Inc.                         | Maryland Zoo                      |
| Baltimore Orioles                   | Microsoft                         |
| Buffalo Bills                       | NASA                              |
| Central PA Youth Ballet             | National Park Service             |
| Children's Hospital of Philadelphia | NBA                               |
| Compassion International            | NYC Children's Theater            |
| Cumberland Valley School District   | PA House of Representatives       |
| Deloitte                            | Penn State Hershey Medical Center |
| Denver Museum of Nature and Science | Pfizer Pharmaceuticals            |
| ESPN                                | PricewaterhouseCoopers            |
| Federal Reserve Bank                | Seattle Mariners                  |
| Fellowship of Christian Athletes    | Sight & Sound Theatres            |
| Gannett Fleming                     | Texas Instruments                 |
| Goldman Sachs                       | UPMC Pinnacle                     |
| Hershey Entertainment               | U.S. Geological Survey            |
| HOPE International                  | Vanguard                          |
| iHeartMedia                         | Walt Disney Company               |
| Johns Hopkins Medical Center        | WebFX                             |
| Katapult Engineering                | WHTM-ABC27                        |
|                                     | WORLD Relief                      |
|                                     | YouTube                           |

To view **alumni career profiles and job placement/salary info**, visit [messiah.edu/careers](http://messiah.edu/careers).

*\* recent sample listings*



# Discover *a new sense of home*

## On-campus life

At Messiah, we're all about community. It's kind of our thing. You'll find many ways and places to enjoy the friendships you create. Grab a bite with friends at Lottie Nelson Dining Hall (we call it "Lottie" for short), the Union Café or The Falcon snack shop. Hammock beside (or go tubing or kayaking in!) the Yellow Breeches Creek that flows through our campus. Compete in one of Messiah's club or rec sports leagues. Work out or take a Pilates class at the Falcon Fitness Center. Check out an art exhibit, a thought-provoking speaker or a basketball game. On the weekend, watch a movie for free at Parmer Cinema. Or, enjoy concerts from indie and up-and-coming artists.

*Whether you live on campus or commute, you'll quickly realize Messiah's campus is full of activity and that there's always something to do!*



## Off-campus life

While there's plenty to do on campus, you'll want to explore the surrounding area, too. Within minutes of campus, you'll find plenty of restaurants, shopping, sports venues, movie theaters, galleries, coffee shops, museums, hiking trails, rock climbing, skiing and many other outdoor activities. The Student Activities Board also hosts trips to pro sporting events, Broadway shows and nearby cities such as Baltimore, Philadelphia and Washington, D.C.

Looking to shop? Don't worry—we have nearby malls, outlets and thrift shops, and are close to essential stops like Target, Wegmans, Panera, Chick-fil-A, Starbucks, REI, Crumbl Cookie, Trader Joe's and more!

Discover student recommendations through our **Area Guide**.

[messiah.edu/area](https://messiah.edu/area)





What's there to do at Messiah? Find out at [messiah.edu/studentlife](https://messiah.edu/studentlife).

“  
Messiah really strives to make sure every student feels welcome. People are so friendly and willing to get to know each other. **I have made lifelong friends** even within my first year. It's really amazing how students and professors really want to get to know each other.  
— Rachel Huang '24  
”



### Campus housing options

Messiah dedicates three of its eight residence halls (Bittner, Naugle and Witmer) to creating an intentional sense of community for first-year and transfer students.



**Traditional residence halls:** Students in their first two years typically share a lounge, bathroom and study room on each floor. All rooms are equipped with A/C and internet connections.

**Apartments:** Juniors and seniors may apply to live in campus one- or two-bedroom apartments (2-4 students), equipped with private baths, kitchens, A/C and internet connections.

Take a video tour of our first-year residence halls!  
[messiah.edu/residence-life](https://messiah.edu/residence-life)



Check out **#MessiahDorms** to view actual student rooms and apartments





## Unity through diversity

Multicultural and international students are an integral part of Messiah University's community and campus life. Our goal is to bring together students from different backgrounds who reflect the variety and richness within God's kingdom. In addition to U.S. students

One major thing that I have enjoyed about my Messiah experience is getting involved with our Multicultural Council, specifically with La Alianza Latina. **I have been able to form friendships that will stand the test of time and distance!**

—Joshua Calderon '25

from a variety of racially and ethnically diverse backgrounds, Messiah University welcomes students from around the globe. As a Messiah student, you'll experience multiple views, customs and perspectives that will help you to respond with discernment and a deeper understanding of the complexities of our contemporary world.

### Sampling of multicultural programs

- **Multicultural Program** — holistic support for domestic underrepresented students and diversity education for all members of the community
- **Scholarship Programs (Martin and R.H. Flowers)** — equips scholars with awareness, knowledge and skills necessary to engage issues related to racial/ethnic diversity and reconciliation
- **Martin Luther King Jr. annual weeklong celebration**
- **Multicultural Council and other organizations**

### Sampling of international student programs

- **ISA/MuKappa** — our international student organization
- **Friendship Families** — facilitates mutually beneficial friendships between Messiah employees, their families and international students
- **Rafiki House** — a home away from home for international students
- **International Gala** — an annual campus celebration of the diverse cultures represented in our student body featuring food, dress and performances from around the world

Learn more about Messiah's multicultural scholarships and programs at [messiah.edu/multicultural](https://messiah.edu/multicultural).

Your possibilities  
see anew



### Academic

- Accounting Club
- Alpha Psi Omega National Theatre Honor Society
- American Choral Directors Association
- Biology Club
- Chemistry Club
- Chinese Club
- Creative Writing Club
- Criminal Justice Club
- Cybirds
- Education Association of Messiah University
- Health, Nutrition, and Exercise Science (HNES) Club
- History Club
- Investment Club
- Marketing Club
- Messiah Council on Family Relations
- National Association for Music Education
- Phi Alpha, NHS, Lambda Psi Chapter (Social Work)
- Philosophy Club
- Physics Club
- Pre-Health Club
- Public Relations Student Society of America
- Sigma Zeta (National Math and Science Honors Society)
- Sign Language Club
- Social Work Club
- Society of Women Engineers
- Spanish Club
- Student Nurses Association

### Campus activities

- Student Activities Board

### Cultural

- African Student Union
- Asian Student Association
- Black Student Union
- Caribbean Student Association
- ISA/MuKappa (International Student Association/ Missionary Kids)
- La Alianza Latina
- Messiah Student-Athletes of Color Council
- Multicultural Council Core

### Faith

- Acclamation/Footprintz Dance Ministry
- Fellowship of Christian Athletes
- Human Rights Awareness
- Increase Theology Club
- Newman Club
- Nurses Christian Fellowship
- Orthodox Christian Fellowship

- Powerhouse Band
- Student Ministries

### Media

- The Pulse (Media Lab)
- YBTV (Yellow Breeches Television)

### Performance and fine arts

- MU Percussion Society
- MU Trumpet Association
- Perfect Unison A Cappella Club

### Service

- Peace Promise Club
- Service Opportunities Leaders (Agapé)
- Service Trips (Agapé)
- Young Life

### Special interest groups

- Advocates for Life
- Conservatives of Messiah University
- Cybersecurity Competition Club
- Earthkeepers
- Messiah Chess Club
- Messiah Games Association
- MU Progressives
- Minds Matter
- Outdoors Club
- Peace Fellowship

### Club sports

- Men's Club Soccer
- Men's Ultimate Frisbee Club
- MU Club Field Hockey
- MU Club Golf
- Spike Ball Club
- Women's Club Soccer
- Women's Ultimate Frisbee Club

### Government

- Student Government Association

### Collaborative partners

- Esports
- Intramural Sports
- Reserve Officers' Training Corps (ROTC) in conjunction with Dickinson College

## Get involved

Messiah's campus is an active place. In between studying, practicing, performing and working, there are plenty of ways for you to get involved with co-curricular clubs and organizations. Pursuing passions and discovering interests outside the classroom helps you adjust to college, develop meaningful relationships, cultivate confidence and become an effective leader.

## Something for everyone!

There are more than 70 different student clubs and organizations at Messiah ranging from social and leisure activities, such as rec sports and the Student Activities Board, to service groups through the Agapé Center, to worship teams, student government, media, multicultural programs and more. No matter what clubs or organizations you choose, you'll benefit from social and cultural experiences that extend beyond the classroom and often beyond the Messiah community.

Visit [messiah.edu/studentlife](https://messiah.edu/studentlife) for an immersive **multimedia** look at **campus life** at Messiah.



Messiah offers these NCAA Division III sports

baseball (M)

lacrosse (M/W)

tennis (M/W)

basketball (M/W)

soccer (M/W)

track and field (M/W)

cross country (M/W)

softball (W)

volleyball (M/W)

field hockey (W)

swimming (M/W)

wrestling (M)



I love athletics here because everyone is very supportive of you...It's just one big community that works together for one end goal, and that is to love Christ.

—Tyler McConnell '26  
men's volleyball



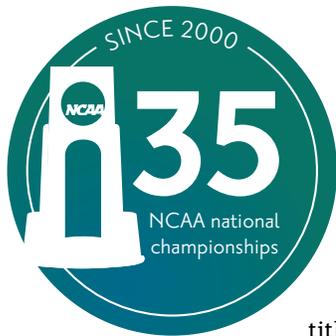
To connect with a coach, visit [gomessiah.com/berecruited](http://gomessiah.com/berecruited).



Visit [messiah.edu/athletics-and-recreation](http://messiah.edu/athletics-and-recreation) for a multimedia look at athletics and fitness at Messiah.



Follow Messiah athletics



### Competitive programs with Christian integrity

Messiah teams regularly achieve national ranking and win Middle Atlantic Conference titles. Our athletes turn in All-

American performances and our coaches receive national coaching awards. Whether you play any of our 22 NCAA Division III sports or cheer on the teams, you're part of an exciting, nationally recognized program. The heart of our athletics powerhouse lies in the deep Christian commitment of our coaches and athletes. Our athletes hold each other to high standards, and Messiah team members form strong bonds through personal support, spiritual encouragement and exemplary sportsmanship.

### The fan experience

As a Messiah student, you'll have ongoing opportunities to become a loyal Falcons fan. No matter which sports you enjoy, it's a great way to spend time with friends, enjoy a good game and get in the school spirit! That's what the Falcon Nation is all about!

### Club, rec sports and esports

Messiah Athletics also offers numerous club sports and recreational leagues you can join. Club sports, which compete against teams from other colleges, include field hockey, golf, soccer and Ultimate. Messiah's rec sports teams, which play against each other for the coveted rec sports league title, include softball, volleyball, golf, soccer, floor hockey, basketball, flag football, pickleball and Ultimate. Or if gaming is your thing, Messiah's esports team competes nationally against other colleges in League of Legends, Overwatch, Rocket League, Smash Ultimate and others. Visit [gomessiah.com/esports](http://gomessiah.com/esports).

### AROMA sports ministry

Students in Messiah's sports ministry program, AROMA, share God's love with others through a shared love of sports. AROMA (A Revolution of Missional Athletes) partners with regional churches and ministries to offer youth outreach events and sports camps—and sends teams of student-athletes around the globe for service and mission trips each year. All students are welcome! Visit [gomessiah.com/AROMA](http://gomessiah.com/AROMA).



# Join a circle of blessing

## Tuesday mornings

Large-group service combining contemporary musical worship and a speaker message in Brubaker Auditorium

## Tuesday evenings

A reflective experience integrated with deeper exploration of modern issues through breakout groups, panel discussions and Q&A, held in Hostetter Chapel

## Chapel

is a central expression of our identity as a Christ-centered community with a deep commitment to spiritual growth. Messiah offers students a variety of different chapel experiences.

## Thursday mornings

Various small groups that meet in four-week topical sessions (called 4x4s) focusing on important issues of the Christian faith, Bible study, discipleship, book review/discussion, etc.

## An authentic faith community

Messiah students come from a wide variety of Christian faith traditions. We believe that learning from each other is part of what it means to be an authentic faith community. We're distinct from some other Christian universities in that every Messiah University faculty and staff member affirms a statement of faith and a commitment to our Christian educational mission.

We see ourselves as partners in your spiritual journey and are committed to helping and challenging you to know how God is revealed through Scripture; to be a follower of Christ; and to do whatever mission, vocation or service God has called you to. Messiah's pastoral ministries staff helps cultivate numerous opportunities for you to grow in faith and fellowship.



Check out a video of Powerhouse, Messiah's weekly student-led worship at [messiah.edu/powerhouse](https://messiah.edu/powerhouse).



Our motto, **Christ Preeminent**, shapes every experience that our students have at Messiah University. Life at Messiah is guided by the **Community Covenant**, the biblical framework for our community life.

Learn more at [messiah.edu/covenant](https://messiah.edu/covenant)



your faith  
**see anew**

## Spiritual growth at Messiah

You'll have many opportunities to grow in your faith as part of the Messiah community:

- ♦ **Chapel** – As a Messiah student, you'll attend a minimum of 14 chapels a semester and choose from a variety of teaching, worship, educational and small-group experiences that are designed to anchor you in God's Word, exalt the Lord Jesus, explore and reflect on your Christian faith, and connect and nurture you in fellowship with others.
- ♦ **Powerhouse** – Join in this weekly contemporary student-led worship service that is both popular and powerful. It's a favorite tradition of generations of Messiah students.
- ♦ **Life groups** – Be part of small groups that come together through Bible study, prayer, worship, service and a commitment to each other's well-being.

- ♦ **Local churches** – Local churches and parishes are eager to welcome Messiah students into their congregations, and many even provide transportation on Sunday mornings.



## Make a difference

Each year, our students put their faith into action by collectively volunteering thousands of hours to community service—locally, nationally and globally. Messiah's Agapé Center for Local and Global Engagement provides opportunities for you in and out of the classroom and offers service-learning resources to all in our campus community. In fact, each spring, Messiah cancels classes for a day so that students and employees can serve together on campus and in the surrounding community.

To learn more about **spiritual growth and service** opportunities at Messiah, visit [messiah.edu/faithandservice](https://messiah.edu/faithandservice).



OF FIRST YEAR STUDENTS  
**100%**  
RECEIVE FINANCIAL AID

U.S. NEWS & WORLD REPORT  
Named a  
**BEST VALUE**  
in the North  
2025 ranking

# The value of a Messiah University education

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The value of a Messiah education is that it nurtures the person as a whole, not just as a student. Messiah offers high-quality teaching from a faculty that is determined to see students succeed in life itself.  
— Abigail Chang '24  
”

Generations of alumni vouch for Messiah's capacity to educate strong servant leaders with professional expertise and a reconciling spirit. You'll thrive here, growing in your faith and building discernment and leadership that will serve you for a lifetime—no matter what your calling or vocation. That transformation, along with the amazing life and career opportunities it creates, is the value of a Messiah University education.

**We're serious about this. If Messiah is the right university for you, we will work hard with you toward meeting the cost.**

## Financial aid tips



### APPLY FOR AID

Complete the FAFSA (*Free Application for Federal Student Aid*) and other financial aid forms as instructed. After filing your FAFSA, you'll receive your student aid report, which

includes a summary of your FAFSA application data. Review this report carefully and make any necessary corrections requested by the federal processor.

FAFSA code  
003298



### REVIEW YOUR AID

Once your financial aid application has been reviewed, a notice will be sent to your Messiah University email for you to view your online award. (*Only accepted students receive an award notice.*)

# How much does it cost to attend Messiah University?

			
\$42,540 +	\$6,790 +	\$1,040 +	\$5,975
<b>basic tuition</b> 2025–2026	<b>housing</b> (double occupancy)	<b>basic fees</b> (minimum amount Student Government Association and student service fees)	<b>food</b> (maximum cost)

*Less than you might think!*

\*Plan for \$4,000-4,500 in personal expenses such as books, supplies, travel, etc.

$$\begin{array}{r}
 \$56,345 \\
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 \text{other alternative loans)}
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 \text{(not including supplies, travel} \\
 \text{or personal expenses)}
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The above example is a simplified cost presentation and is for example purposes only. Actual individual costs will vary depending on a number of factors, including type of room, meal plan, cost of books and other miscellaneous fees.

Learn more at [messiah.edu/coa](https://messiah.edu/coa).



## Scholarships

Messiah University offers a variety of competitive scholarships that recognize the achievements of incoming students. Academic scholarships at Messiah acknowledge students who have performed well academically. Scholarships range from \$1,000 to full tuition and remain with you throughout your time at Messiah, as long as you continue to meet the ongoing eligibility requirements for each scholarship, such as a minimum GPA or other criteria.

Learn more about **scholarships and financial aid** at [messiah.edu/finaid](https://messiah.edu/finaid).

### Provost's scholarship

First-year students	\$14,000 – \$16,000
Transfer students	\$12,500 – \$15,000

**Messiah University scholarship** \$10,000

### Honors Program scholarships

Trustees	full tuition
President's	\$5,000
Faculty	\$1,500

### Multicultural Student Programs scholarships

Martin	full tuition or \$5,500
Flowers	\$3,000

### Visual and performing arts scholarships

Vollmer	\$5,000
Shaffer-Goodling	\$3,500
Dean's scholarship	\$1,000

### Additional scholarships

Dean's visit scholarship	\$1,000
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\*above amounts based on the 2025–2026 academic year



### UNDERSTAND YOUR AID

Connect with your admissions counselor to review your award package and have your questions answered.

[messiah.edu/counselor](https://messiah.edu/counselor)



### UPDATE SCORES AND GPA

Submit improved test scores and/or GPA to Messiah for scholarship review and consideration.



### DEPOSIT AND ACCEPT AID

Submit a \$200 enrollment deposit to secure your place in the class and accept your financial aid award.

[messiah.edu/deposit](https://messiah.edu/deposit)

Visit and apply

Where are we?

only **20 minutes** from Harrisburg's train station, bus station and international airport



 **MESSIAH UNIVERSITY**

Mechanicsburg, Pa.

 **HERSHEY**  
30 minutes

 **LANCASTER**  
1 hour

 **BALTIMORE, MD.**  
1.5 hours

 **PHILADELPHIA**  
2 hours

 **WASHINGTON, D.C.**  
2.5 hours

 **NEW YORK CITY**  
3 hours

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**I have grown exponentially as a person**, in my Christian faith and as a future professional. The opportunities I have had at Messiah have prepared me well for future endeavors!  
— Sam Erikson '25  
”

### We're here to help you

Whether you're a first-year student, transferring in, homeschooled or cyberschooled, we have an admissions counselor who will provide you and your family with personalized service throughout the entire college search process. Find out who serves your region or personalized needs at [messiah.edu/counselor](http://messiah.edu/counselor) and begin the conversation. Our office is open from 8 a.m.-5 p.m. (EST), Monday through Friday. You can reach us by:

-  Email: [admissions@messiah.edu](mailto:admissions@messiah.edu)
-  Call: 1-800-233-4220 or 717-691-6000
-  Online: live chat with us on [messiah.edu](http://messiah.edu)
-  Connect on ZeeMee: [messiah.edu/zeemee](http://messiah.edu/zeemee)

### How to become a Messiah falcon

#### Beginning in **JULY** for fall start

Complete an application and personal statement at [messiah.edu/apply](http://messiah.edu/apply).

Request academic transcripts.

Submit official standardized test scores.



**Or apply without test scores!**  
See [messiah.edu/testoptional](http://messiah.edu/testoptional) for details.

#### **EARLY FALL**

Applications reviewed on rolling basis. Decisions announced starting early September. Accepted students invited to **Accepted Student Preview Days** in spring.

#### **NOVEMBER 15**

**Deadline to apply for free!**

# Experience Messiah University for yourself!

Come visit us. We'd love to meet you!

Messiah University is an amazing place! But don't just take our word for it. Visit us and discover why over 2,600 undergraduate students choose Messiah every year.



## 2025 fall visit events

Oct. 3	Open House
Oct. 13	Academic Spotlight Day
Nov. 1	Open House
Nov. 14	Academic Spotlight Day

## 2026 spring visit events

Feb. 16	Open House
March 20	Accepted Student Preview Day
April 10	Accepted Student Preview Day
April 24	Open House



To learn more about Messiah's complete schedule of visit opportunities, go to [messiah.edu/visit](https://messiah.edu/visit).

## Which visit experience is right for you?

Exploring Messiah University through pictures is great, but a whole new world appears when you step foot on campus. Visiting allows you to find those special spaces that make campus feel like home to you.

- ♦ **Open Houses** – Spend the day with us to discover all the possibilities Messiah offers. Explore diverse academic offerings with faculty, tour campus with a current student, and experience our tight-knit community.
- ♦ **Academic Spotlight Days** – Immerse yourself in a day-long experience tailored to your academic passions. Explore specific majors, engage with current students and faculty — even attend a

class! Choose this event if you have a clear direction in your chosen area of study.

- ♦ **Individual visits** – Maximize your time on campus with a custom visit. You can connect one-on-one with admissions staff, a faculty member or a coach — even attend chapel or class! Choose this visit for a more personal experience of Messiah.
- ♦ **Falcon Fridays** – Visit us in the summer for a quick “fly by” of Messiah! Check out our rigorous academic programs and spiritual growth opportunities — and stick around for an ice cream social. This is a great first look of campus!

To learn more about our admissions process timeline and apply, visit [messiah.edu/applyprocess](https://messiah.edu/applyprocess)

### FEBRUARY I

Must be accepted by Feb. 1 to be eligible for premier scholarships.

### MAY I

By this time, students are encouraged to submit a **\$200 enrollment deposit** to secure space in the class.

### EARLY SUMMER

Explore Messiah's Accepted Student Resource page for next steps and check your Messiah email often for updates!  
[messiah.edu/accepted](https://messiah.edu/accepted)

### AUGUST





# A scenic campus



MESSIAH'S CAMPUS SPANS  
**385**  
SCENIC ACRES



Want to see more?  
Schedule a visit!



# in an ideal location

**Messiah's scenic suburban campus experiences the changing beauty and fun of all four seasons.** We're located in **Mechanicsburg, Pennsylvania, near the state capital city of Harrisburg,** providing easy access to urban centers such as Philadelphia, Baltimore and Washington, D.C.—and many other regional points of interest.



Visit our campus online!



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# 80+ majors

Accounting  
Actuarial Science  
Applied Health Science  
Art, Studio  
Biblical and Religious Studies  
Biochemistry  
Biochemistry (ACS-certified)  
Biology  
Biomedical Engineering  
Biopsychology  
Broadcasting and Journalism  
Business Administration  
Business Information Systems  
Chemistry  
Chemistry (ACS-certified)  
Chinese Studies  
Christian Ministries and Leadership  
Civil Engineering  
Communication  
Computer Science  
Criminal Justice  
Cybersecurity  
Dance  
Data Science  
Digital Media  
Economic Development  
Economics  
Educational Studies  
Electrical Engineering  
Engineering  
English  
Environmental Science  
Film and Media Arts  
Finance

Graphic Design  
History  
Human Development and Family Science  
Human Development and Family Science with Child Life  
International Business  
Marketing  
Mathematics  
Mechanical Engineering  
Molecular Biology  
Music  
Music (Music and Worship)  
Music Performance  
Musical Theatre  
Nursing  
Nutrition and Dietetics  
Peace and Conflict Studies  
Philosophy  
Physics  
Politics and International Relations  
Psychology  
Public History  
Public Relations  
Robotics Engineering  
Social Work  
Sociology and Anthropology  
Software Development  
Spanish  
Sport Management  
Sustainability Studies  
Theatre  
Youth Ministries

## Majors leading to teaching certification

Art Education (PreK-12)  
Biology with Secondary Teaching Certification (7-12)  
Chemistry with Secondary Teaching Certification (7-12)  
Chinese Studies with Teaching Certification (PreK-12)  
Computer Science with Teaching Certification (PreK-12)  
Dance Education with Teaching Certification (PreK-12)  
Education with Dual Teaching Certification (grades PreK-4) and Special Education (PreK-12)  
Education with Teaching Certification in Grades 4-8  
Education with Teaching Certification in Grades PreK-4  
English with Secondary Teaching Certification (7-12)  
Family and Consumer Sciences Education (PreK-12)  
Health and Physical Education with Teaching Certification (PreK-12)  
History with Secondary Social Studies Teaching Certification (7-12)  
Mathematics with Secondary Teaching Certification (7-12)  
Music Education with Teaching Certification (PreK-12)  
Physics with Secondary Teaching Certification (7-12)  
Spanish with Teaching Certification (PreK-12)  
Special Education (N-12) with Teaching Certification (PreK-12)

## Accelerated programs

Athletic Training (B.S./MSAT) – 5 years  
Business Administration (Bachelor's/MBA) – 5 years  
Healthcare Leadership (Bachelor's/M.A.) – 5 years  
Occupational Therapy (B.S./MOT) – 5 years  
Politics and International Relations (B.A. at Messiah/M.S. in public policy and management at Carnegie Mellon University) – 5 years  
Strategic Leadership (Bachelor's/M.A.) – 5 years

## Early assurance programs

Occupational Therapy (Bachelor's/MOT)  
Physical Therapy (Bachelor's/DPT)

## Seamless pathway programs

Nutrition and Dietetics (B.S./MSDI) – 5 years  
Social Work (BSW/MSW: Advanced Standing) – 5 years

## Pre-health professions advising

Pre-Audiology	Pre-Pharmacy
Pre-Chiropractic	Pre-Physical Therapy
Pre-Dentistry	Pre-Physician Assistant
Pre-Medical (D.O.)	Pre-Podiatry
Pre-Medical (M.D.)	Pre-Public Health
Pre-Occupational Therapy	Pre-Veterinary
Pre-Optometry	

*Students interested in health careers receive specialized advising to develop a course of study that ensures they meet all undergraduate prerequisites necessary for graduate school admittance. Visit [messiah.edu/pre-health](http://messiah.edu/pre-health)*

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