

FOUNDATIONAL CORE

- **Lilly Assessment**
- **Administrative Oversight**
 - Newsletters
 - Student Advisory Board
 - Student Work-Study
 - External Advisory Board
 - Lilly Steering Committee
 - Lilly Executive Team
- **Theological Vision**
 - Dean's Retreat
 - Faith In The Academy Conference
 - Presidential Lectures
 - Religion and Society Lectures
 - Scholarship Colloquies on Vocation
 - Written Commentary on the Confession of Faith

GOAL THREE:

INTEGRATION OF FAITH AND VOCATION

To be self-aware of one's personal gifts and talents and to have a relatively focused sense of how God wants these to be used for the benefit and improvement of the world near and far.

- **Career Exploration**
 - Undeclared Advising
 - Alumni Network for Contextual Learning
 - Senior Year Module
 - First Year Module
- **Campus Culture**
 - Jubilee Conference
 - Community Covenant Review Task Force
 - Campus Culture Study Group
 - Christian Vocation Web Site
 - Chapel Curriculum
 - Chapel Book Series
 - Faith and Vocation Study Group
 - Cocurriculum on Christian Vocation
 - Christian Vocation True North
- **Educator Development**
 - Training for Faculty Advisors
 - Expansion of Internal Grants Program
 - Theological Training for Capstone Course Faculty
 - Mission and Vocation Programming
 - Mission and Vocation Seminar for Academic Leaders
 - Provost Seminar
 - Campuswide Dissemination Plan

GOAL ONE:

ENGAGING THE COMMUNITY

To understand all of one's life and activities as a form of stewardship and cooperation with God in the ongoing work of creation and redemption.

- **Discipleship as Citizenship**
 - Barnabus Award
 - Conference on Faith-Based Societal Engagement and Service Learning
 - External Relationship Building
 - Listening Tour of Harrisburg
 - Strategic Plan
 - Residential Learning Community Task Force
- **Ecumenical Vocations**
 - Local and National Ecumenical Activities
 - Special Events and Activities
 - Student Enrichment Experiences
 - Special Projects Course Development
- **Peacemaking and Reconciliation**
 - Lilly Multi-Cultural
 - Peace and Justice
 - Mennonite Central Committee
 - United Nations Student Seminar

GOAL TWO:

ORDAINED MINISTRY

To understand God's calling to women and men to accept special roles of leadership and service within the church.

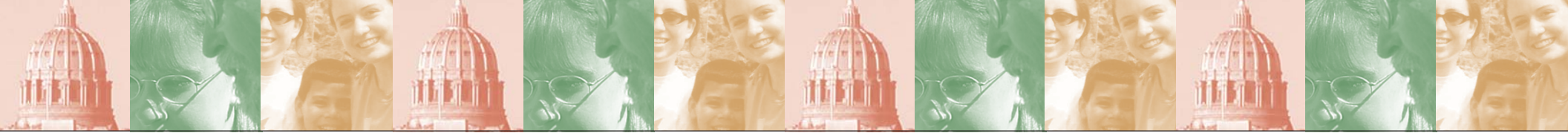
- **Revitalization of the Christian Ministries Curriculum Initiative**
- **Women in Ministry**
 - Wesleyan Holiness Women Clergy
 - Resource Room
 - Miriam Project
- **Ministry Exploration Initiative**
 - Planning Task Force
 - Messiah Student Movement
 - C.N. Hostetter Fellows

In 2001, The Lilly Endowment, Inc., awarded \$2 million to Messiah College to implement Christian Vocation: Service, Leadership, and Reconciliation, a five-year project to integrate a rich understanding of Christian vocation throughout our educational program and among our various constituencies. The project simultaneously builds on the College's strategic planning process, our Brethren in Christ heritage, our ecumenicity, our comprehensive curriculum, and our commitment to a meaningful cocurriculum.

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Messiah College's vision of Christian vocation is the foundational core—the “engine”—that guides, inspires, and motivates every aspect of our Christian Vocation project.

Purpose of the Christian Vocation Project

To shape the culture of Messiah College in ways that will make Christian vocation thought and action more prominent in campus conversation.

Purpose of the foundational core of the Christian Vocation Project

To shape an understanding of Christian vocation that is consistent with the College's religious identity and educational mission.

The foundational core helps the College reflect more deeply on the rich meaning of our mission, identity statement, and heritage by asking:

- How can we assess “maturity of intellect, character, and Christian faith,” and how does that maturity explicitly relate to the work of Christian ministry in the church and in the world?
- How should Messiah's emphasis on service, leadership, and reconciliation shape the way Christian vocation is articulated and modeled at Messiah College?

- How do we nurture our Anabaptist, Pietist, and Wesleyan traditions while embracing an evangelical spirit inclusive of other Christian perspectives?

Today, more than ever, Messiah College seeks to be a welcoming institution where all Christians can flourish in both educational and spiritual formation.

Through Christian Vocation: Service, Leadership, and Reconciliation, we acknowledge both Messiah College's heritage and our ecumenical commitments.

GOAL ONE:

ENGAGING THE COMMUNITY

- *Discipleship as Citizenship*
- *Ecumenical Vocations*
- *Peacemaking and Reconciliation*

Love of God and Neighbor—
To understand all of one's life and activities as a form of stewardship and cooperation with God in the ongoing work of creation and redemption.

GOAL TWO:

ORDAINED MINISTRY

- *Revitalization of the Christian Ministries Curriculum Initiative*
- *Women in Ministry*
- *Ministry Exploration Initiative*

Distinctive Calling to Ministry—
To understand God's calling to women and men to accept special roles of leadership and service within the church.

GOAL THREE:

INTEGRATION OF FAITH AND VOCATION

- *Career Exploration*
- *Campus Culture*
- *Educator Development*

Gifts and Guidance in Preparation for Life's Work—
To be self-aware of one's personal gifts and talents and to have a relatively focused sense of how God wants these to be used for the benefit and improvement of the world near and far.

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