Messiah overview

Messiah College is a nationally ranked private Christian college with a socially, denominationally and politically diverse student body of approximately 2,800 undergraduate students from more than 34 states, 32 countries and a variety of Christian faith traditions.

Academic majors

Messiah awards degrees in more than 55 undergraduate majors, offers six pre-professional programs and has a growing number of graduate programs.

Setting

Our scenic 471-acre campus is located in suburban Grantham, Pa., just 12 miles from the state capital of Harrisburg.

Faculty

Messiah selects its educators for their Christian commitment as well as their proven teaching ability. They are outstanding scholars, authors, artists and experts in their chosen fields. Eighty-one percent hold terminal degrees. Our low student/faculty ratio of 13:1 ensures students receive personalized attention.

Community engagement

Our nationally recognized service learning initiatives extend the classroom into the real world. We teach students to engage their Christian faith, to build community, promote justice for the oppressed, reconcile adversaries and care for the earth.

Study abroad

Nationally ranked for our study abroad program, Messiah strives to make international programs accessible to all its students.

Campus life

Eighty-eight percent of students live on campus in traditional halls, apartments and specialinterest housing. More than 60 clubs and organizations offer countless opportunities for students to get involved.

Spiritual formation

Messiah weaves opportunities for spiritual growth throughout students' college experience, including chapel and worship services, discipleship groups, ministry outreach teams, community service, mission trips and a variety of other special programs.

A spirit of inquiry, gracious hospitality and Christian conviction allows students to examine and deepen their faith.

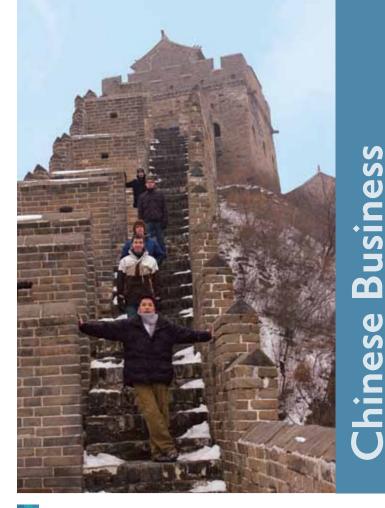
Internships

Our nationally recognized internship program helps students land internships locally, nationally or internationally in a variety of fields and often creates exciting post-graduation career opportunities.

Athletics

Characterized by outstanding facilities, competitive scheduling and a team culture rooted in a deeply Christian ethic, Messiah's 22 intercollegiate NCAA Division III athletic teams exemplify excellence, competing strongly at the conference level and frequently in national championships. Since 2000, the Messiah Falcons have earned 12 national team championships.

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Bridge the cultural divide.

Embark on an enriching cultural adventure as you learn to understand the role of business in an international context. Participate in the culture of the Chinese people by spending a semester in Dalian, a vibrant trading and financial hub located in northeastern Asia. Respond to the global demand for multi-faceted fluency in Chinese. Through a comprehensive, core business curriculum, you will learn the skills necessary to succeed in a global society.

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Chinese business

A new major at Messiah as of 2011, the Bachelor of Arts degree in Chinese business offers a core business curriculum combined with Chinese language study throughout the entire instructional program. During a required semester of study abroad in Dalian, China, students take coursework in both business and Chinese language while also benefitting from being immersed in the country's culture.

Highlights of the Chinese business major at Messiah

- The program develops cultural understanding with direct experiences in China through a semester of study abroad at the Dalian University of Finance and Economics in Dalian, China.
- This major prepares students to meet a global demand for individuals with a strong background in business coupled with proficiency in a second language.
- Required coursework covers a broad spectrum of interesting and relevant topics including: Special Topics in Chinese, Modern Civilizations of Asia, Strategic Use of Information technology, International Business and World Economy, Ministry in International Business and more!

Concentrations and minors

No concentrations or minors are associated with this major.

Facilities and resources overview

- The Beatriz Howe Language Laboratory in Boyer Hall is a stateof-the-art language lab that offers students the ability to improve their listening comprehension, speaking and pronunciation skills in Chinese.
- The modern language department maintains an extensive collection of language software.
- During the required semester in Dalian, China, students live in university residence halls where they have many opportunities to interact and socialize with Chinese students.

Department faculty highlights

- Professors lead cross-cultural courses, conduct research and present papers nationally and internationally.
- Faculty members have studied, worked and taught in various regions of the world.
- All department faculty are dedicated Christian scholars committed to providing personal attention and transformational teaching.

Careers for Chinese business majors

- Careers as domestic or international business owners, community organization administrators and entrepreneurs
- Related job opportunities in fields such as international business, domestic businesses with Chinese clientele and missions

Internships and graduate degrees include:

- Students will be well-prepared and may choose to further their studies in graduate school, seeking further specialization in business and/or Chinese.
- Chinese business students who study at the Philadelphia campus may arrange internships with various Philadelphia-based companies; opportunities for internships with local businesses in Dalian, China, exist during the required semester abroad.

The breadth of learning and experiences this program provides not only enriches the personal lives of its students but also offers them the intellectual and cultural tools needed to seek their vocation in a complex, ever-changing world.