Messiah College is a Christian college of the liberal and applied arts and sciences. The College is committed to an embracing evangelical spirit rooted in the Anabaptist, Pietist, and Wesleyan traditions of the Christian Church. Our mission 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.
**Academic Programs**

The College awards both bachelor of arts and bachelor of science degrees. The academic program includes the majors listed below, in addition to more than 50 minors. Specialized programs include extensive off-campus study, individualized majors, independent study, service-learning, internships, and a flourishing College Honors Program. Messiah students are prepared to succeed in their careers, ministry, and graduate school.

**Majors**

**More Than 50 Majors**
- Accounting; Art Education; Art History; Athletic Training; Bible; Biochemistry; Biology; Broadcasting; Telecommunications & Mass Media; Business Administration; Business Information Systems; Chemistry; Christian Ministries; Communication; Computer Science; E-Marketing; Early Childhood Education; Economics; Elementary Education; Engineering; English; Entrepreneurship; Environmental Science; Family Studies; French; German; Health & Physical Education; History; Human Resource Management; Humanities; International Business; Journalism; Marketing; Mathematics; Music; Music Education; Nursing; Nutrition & Dietetics; Philosophy; Politics; Psychology; Recreation; Religion; Social Work; Sociology; Spanish; Spanish Business; Sport & Exercise Science; Studio Art; Theatre; Therapeutic Recreation; Teacher Certification Programs (Biology, Chemistry, English, Environmental Education, French, German, Mathematics, Social Studies, Spanish)

**Preprofessional Programs**
- Pre-Dental; Pre-Law; Pre-Medical; Pre-Medical Technology; Pre-Physical Therapy; Pre-Seminary; Pre-Veterinary

**Spiritual Growth**

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. Last year, Messiah's student body volunteered more than 70,000 hours of community service.

**Faculty Profile**

Messiah College selects its educators for their Christian commitment as well as their proven teaching ability. They are outstanding scholars, authors and experts in their chosen fields.

**Full-Time Faculty**
- Male/Female .................. 122M/54F
- Hold Terminal Degree ........ 73%
- Student/Faculty Ratio ........ 13:1

**Part-Time Faculty**
- Part-Time Faculty ........... 100

**Student Profile**

**Enrollment**
- Undergrad Head Count ........ 2,895
- Male/Female Ratio ............ 38%M/62%F

**Full-Time Students**
- Full-Time Students ............ 98%
  - Living in On-Campus Housing ...... 88%
  - Out-of-State Students .......... 50%
  - States Represented .......... 38
  - Minority Students ............ 6.7%
  - International Students ...... 2.4%
  - Foreign Countries Represented .. 34

**First-Year Class Profile**
- Total applied ............. 2,300
- Total accepted ........... 1,781
- Total enrolled .......... 764

**SAT Scores (middle 50%)**
- Verbal .................. 540–640
- Math ....................... 530–640

**ACT Scores (middle 50%)**
- Composite .................. 23–28

**High School Class Rank**
- Top 10 .................. 35%
- Top 25 .................. 69%
- Top 50 .................. 92%

**High School GPA**
- Above 3.0 .................. 95%
- 2.0–2.99 .................. 5%
- Average GPA ............... 3.83

**Retention**

Percent of First-Year Students who:
- returned for 2nd year ........ 85%
- graduated within 4 years ...... 70%
- graduated within 6 years ...... 74%

Note: Messiah does not track transfer-out students.

**Academic Profile**

**Average Class Size**
- Introductory Lecture ........ 27
- Laboratory .................. 18
- Regular Course ............. 24

**Largest Majors**
- Elementary Education ........ 8.9%
- Engineering .................. 5.9%
- Nursing ..................... 5.8%
- Psychology .................. 5.1%
- Biology ..................... 4.9%

**Athletics**

- Home of the Messiah College Falcons and home of the NCAA Division III 2000 national championship in men's soccer and individual champion in wrestling; and 2001 national runner-up in women's basketball and field hockey
- 20 intercollegiate athletic teams (NCAA Division III): baseball (M), basketball (M/W), cross country (M/W), field hockey (W), golf (M), lacrosse (M/W), soccer (M/W), softball (W), tennis (M/W), indoor track & field (M/W), outdoor track & field (M/W), volleyball (W), wrestling (M)

**Financial Aid**

**Percent Receiving Aid**
- First-Year Students ........ 98%
- All Undergraduates ...... 95%

**Average Aid Package**
- First-Year Students ........ $14,449
- All Undergraduates ...... $13,938

**Tuition & Costs**

**2002–2003 Academic Year**
- Tuition ...................... $17,730
- Required Fees ............... $406
- Room & Board ................ $6,130
- Total ...................... $24,266
- Additional Costs* .......... $2,420

*estimates for books, travel, and personal expenses

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