



Community Engagement (continued)

- The **Collaboratory for Strategic Research and Applied Partnerships** enables students to apply academic knowledge and live out their Christian faith through imaginative, hands-on problem solving that meets the needs of clients around the world. In 2012, World Vision awarded the Collaboratory a \$733,000 grant to further improve water and sanitation access for disabled individuals in rural Africa.
- Through the **Philadelphia Campus** and **Harrisburg Institute**, Messiah provides access to Christian higher education in an urban setting where students can live and serve in the city.
- The **Ernest L. Boyer Center**, named for one of Messiah's most notable alumni who served as the U.S. Commissioner of Education, houses the Boyer Archives, the Boyer Scholars Program and other initiatives that build on Boyer's legacy of promoting excellent, accessible education for the common good.
- The **Center for Public Humanities** brings together academic, civic and cultural communities to engage contemporary issues and to promote learning through symposia, lectures, film series, conferences and partnerships with school districts and literacy outreach programs.

- The **School of the Arts** fosters extensive connections with visiting artists and arts organizations internationally and locally, such as the Harrisburg Symphony Orchestra. Messiah also contributes to the cultural life of the region through affiliations with its accomplished artists-in-residence: jazz musician Tim Warfield, the Susquehanna Chorale and the Mendelssohn Piano Trio.
- Messiah's **Oakes Museum of Natural History** features Smithsonian-quality collections of seashells, birds and bird eggs, minerals and fossils as well as 144 full-body mounts of North American and African wildlife. Last year the museum had more than 15,000 visitors.

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ranked as the **#3 "Top college for soccer fans"** in the nation!

athletic achievements and championships

Messiah College sets standards for excellence in NCAA Division III college programs while developing the Christian character of its athletes. Our athletes turn in All-American performances and have been featured in USA Today, Sports Illustrated, nytimes.com, NCAA.com and on national network television.

- The **Messiah Falcons** are eight-time NCAA Division III national champions in men's soccer (2010, 2009, 2008, 2006, 2005, 2004, 2002 and 2000); four-time national champions in women's soccer (2011, 2009, 2008 and 2005); 2009 national champions in softball; two-time national runners-up in women's basketball; and eight-time national runners-up in field hockey. In 2010, track star Kristen Bates '10 won national championships in the 55- and 100-meter hurdles and the pentathlon, becoming the College's most individually decorated athlete.
- In 2010, Chris Heisey '08 debuted with the Cincinnati Reds, becoming the first Messiah alumnus to play in the major leagues.
- Eleven Messiah athletic programs competed in their respective NCAA Championship Tournament in 2011-2012: men's soccer, women's soccer, field hockey, women's basketball, men's basketball, wrestling, softball, baseball, women's lacrosse, women's outdoor track and field and men's outdoor track and field.

Messiah is the only college in NCAA history to win **dual national championships in the same sport in the same year** by both their men's and women's teams — **not only once but 3 times!**

DUAL NATIONAL CHAMPIONS
(Men's and women's soccer)

FALCONS NCAA Division III sports

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|---------------------|----------------|-----------------------|
| baseball (M) | lacrosse (M/W) | track and field (M/W) |
| basketball (M/W) | soccer (M/W) | wrestling (M) |
| cross country (M/W) | softball (W) | swimming (M/W) |
| field hockey (W) | tennis (M/W) | volleyball (W) |
| golf (M) | | |

SOURCES: Messiah College Offices of Institutional Research and Marketing and Public Relations. For additional Messiah statistics and information, visit messiah.edu/offices/research.

SHARPENING INTELLECT DEEPENING CHRISTIAN FAITH INSPIRING ACTION



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Messiah College Distinctives

2012-2013

identity and mission

Messiah College is a Christian college of the liberal and applied arts and sciences. 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.

overview

Messiah College is a nationally ranked private Christian college with a student body of 3,017 undergraduate and graduate students. Located in Grantham, Pa., just 12 miles from the state capital, Harrisburg, Messiah also has campuses in Philadelphia (in partnership with Temple University) and in downtown Harrisburg.

history

Messiah College was founded in 1909 by the Brethren in Christ Church. Now, the College's faith base is broadly evangelical and includes students and employees from a variety of denominations and Christian faith traditions.

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Ranked as the **#4 "Best Regional College"** in the northeastern U.S.

Ranked in the **top 10** in its region as a **"Great School, Great Price"**

Ranked in the **top 100 "best undergraduate engineering programs"** in the country

academic excellence

- In a Career Center post-graduation survey, **95% of the class of 2011 respondents indicated they were employed or in graduate/professional programs within six to nine**

months after graduation, a rate significantly higher than the national employment average.

- Noted innovative learning experiences and outstanding preparation of graduates earn Messiah recognition as a "Pennsylvania College of Distinction" and a national "Christian College of Distinction."
- Construction of the **High Center for Worship and Performing Arts** is underway to accommodate the classroom and rehearsal needs of the growing School of the Arts and to provide a premier 800-seat performance hall for the region.

Distinguished Messiah graduates have become **Rhodes, Fulbright, Carnegie, Truman and Udall scholars.**





undergraduate majors and pre-professional programs

Messiah College awards Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Science degrees in more than 80 majors. Specialized programs include extensive off-campus study, individualized majors, independent study, service-learning, internships, allied programs in partnership with other institutions (including advanced degrees in pharmacy and occupational therapy) and a flourishing College Honors Program.

80+ MAJORS: For a complete listing, visit messiah.edu/majors.

PRE-PROFESSIONAL PROGRAMS: pre-allied health, pre-dental, pre-law, pre-medical, pre-physical therapy, pre-veterinary

THREE-YEAR DEGREE OPTIONS:

Some majors allow motivated students to graduate one or two semesters early. More information is available at messiah.edu/admissions/three_years/.

graduate programs

Messiah College offers quality graduate programs in a flexible hybrid format of traditional and online courses.

- Master of Arts in art education (K-12)
- Master of Music in conducting (wind, orchestral, choral)
- Master of Arts in counseling (clinical mental health; marriage, couple and family; or school counseling)
- Master's in Education (TESOL or special education)
- Master of Arts in higher education (college athletics management or student affairs)
- Master of Arts in youth and young adult ministries
- Master of Science in nursing (Classes begin August 2013.)

president

Kim S. Phipps, Ph.D., has served as the eighth president of Messiah College since 2004. Dr. Phipps represents the College's commitment to civic engagement by serving in leadership roles on a variety of boards, including chairing the Council for Christian Colleges and Universities board. In 2012, Dr. Phipps was named one of "50 Women You Should Know" by Christianity Today.

8
new majors
since 2011

- Chinese business
- Chinese studies
- Dance
- Digital media
- Ethnic and area studies
- Film and media arts
- Public relations
- Musical theatre

notable community

The Messiah College community of students, educators and alumni are committed to seeking increased understanding of the Christian faith and applying that faith to specific academic disciplines and world problems.

- Messiah College hosts prominent national speakers, recently including Arthur Brooks, Helene Cooper, Tony Dungy, Henry Louis Gates, Leymah Gbowee, James Davison Hunter, Eric Metaxas, Joni Eareckson Tada and Philip Yancey.

distinguished educators

Messiah College 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.

- Messiah College's 175 full-time faculty hold degrees from nationally and internationally recognized graduate schools—including prestigious institutions such as Oxford University, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Vanderbilt University and the University of Pennsylvania.
- Our faculty members actively contribute research, scholarly writing and artistic works that inform their academic disciplines and the national conversation on faith in the academy and broader culture. In the past two years, Messiah educators have edited, contributed to or written more than 90 published works.
- Messiah educators are often sought by local, regional and national journalists for their commentary and expertise. Recent examples include coverage in the Associated Press, Christian Science Monitor, Chronicle of Higher Education, FoxNews.com, Inside Higher Ed, NPR, University Business and USA Today.

15th
in the
nation

among all undergraduate institutions that send students to study abroad, according to the Institute of International Education. Last year, more than 400 Messiah students studied abroad in more than 40 different countries.

faculty profile

FULL-TIME FACULTY: 175 (57% male/43% female)

HOLD TERMINAL DEGREE: 86%

PART-TIME FACULTY: 137

STUDENT/FACULTY RATIO: 13:1

student profile

UNDERGRADUATE ENROLLMENT:

2,798 undergraduate students representing 37 states and 27 countries

39% male/61% female students

2,710 full-time students

2,435 living in on-campus housing

41% out-of-state students

8.5% students from underrepresented racial, ethnic and cultural populations

2.3% international students

UNDERGRADUATE FINANCIAL AID:

AVERAGE AID PACKAGE: \$25,407 first-year students

\$23,314 all undergraduates

UNDERGRADUATE RETENTION AND GRADUATION:

86.5% returned for 2nd year

73.6% graduated within 4 years

76.2% graduated within 6 years

NOTE: Messiah does not track students who transfer from Messiah College and graduate from another institution.

GRADUATE ENROLLMENT:

219 graduate students representing 16 states

Christian faith 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. For more information, visit messiah.edu/ministries/spiritualformation.

community engagement

- Messiah College has earned the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching's prestigious Community Engagement Classification for curricular engagement and outreach and partnerships.
- Messiah's commitment to service-learning and civic engagement earned recognition on the national President's Higher Education Community Service Honor Roll.
- Messiah's partnership with Harrisburg School District earned national attention on the 2012–2013 National Together for Tomorrow School Improvement Challenge Honor Roll, an initiative of the White House Office of Faith-Based Initiatives and Neighborhood Partnerships recognizing only 30 institutions nationwide.

10th
in the nation
among baccalaureate colleges based on commitment to community and public service, according to the 2012 college rankings by Washington Monthly magazine.

- The Agapé Center for Service and Learning cultivates experiences with community partners to prepare individuals for lifelong service. In 2012, an estimated 98 percent of the graduating class participated in some form of community service through the Agapé Center.

- Messiah's extensive sustainability efforts include initiatives such as a student-run organic community garden, composting, the nation's fourth largest solar thermal system, biodiesel production and regular collegewide inventory of greenhouse gas emissions. Recently the National Association for College and University Food Service honored Messiah with a gold award in procurement for innovative use of sunflower products. Read more at messiah.edu/sustainability.
- Messiah's Internship Center is nationally recognized for excellence in training students for today's workforce. More than 435 colleges and universities use Messiah's training materials or model their internship program after Messiah.
- To help students connect with potential employers, the Career Center hosts Into the City, a unique, intensive two-day career development and networking program in a major U.S. city.