Messiah University is a Christian university 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 University is a nationally ranked, private Christian university with a student body of more than 3,200 undergraduate and graduate students located in Mechanicsburg, Pennsylvania, just 12 miles from the state capital, Harrisburg.

HISTORY
Messiah University was founded in 1909 by the Brethren in Christ Church. Now, the University’s faith base includes students and employees from a breadth of 60+ church denominations and Christian faith traditions.

UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAMS
Messiah University offers bachelor’s degrees that include extensive off-campus study, individualized majors, independent study, service learning, internships, accelerated advanced degree programs in applied health and a flourishing University Honors Program. Messiah also offers three-year degree options, allowing motivated students to graduate one or two semesters early.

• Messiah students engage faculty-mentored research across all of our undergraduate majors.

RECOGNITIONS
“Best Regional College in the Northeast” — PRINCETON REVIEW GUIDE, 2023

Named to “America’s Top Colleges” List — FORBES, 2021

Named a “Best Undergraduate Nursing Program” and a “Best Undergraduate Engineering Program” — U.S. NEWS & WORLD REPORT RANKINGS, 2023

Messiah graduates are Rhodes, Fulbright, Carnegie, Truman and Boren distinguished scholars.

All of Messiah’s majors require experiential learning (internships, leadership, service learning, off-campus study or research) as a graduation requirement. Visit messiah.edu/ELI to learn more.

Visit messiah.edu/UG research to learn more.

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99% of the undergrad class of 2021 survey respondents indicated they were employed or in graduate/professional programs within 6–9 months after graduation.

* Based on survey responses and data from Career Services.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT
- Messiah students and employees are deeply involved with serving their local communities. Messiah has been nationally recognized by the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching and the President’s Higher Education Community Service Honor Roll for its commitment to service learning, community service and civic engagement.
- Messiah’s mission as a Christian university contributes to the common good of church and society.
- Visit messiah.edu/commongood to learn more.

- Messiah's extensive sustainability efforts earned recognition as a Princeton Review Guide 2022: “Green College,” a Sierra Club "Cool School," an Arbor Foundation “Tree Campus USA” and an ASHE STARS-rated school. Other on-campus initiatives include a community garden and apiary; a campus-wide composting system; and reforesting programs through Messiah Press.

- Messiah's Oakes Museum of Natural History provides guided tours, field trips and special events to allow visitors to experience the museum's collections of African and North American animals, birds, eggs and nests, Native American artifacts; rocks and minerals; and seashells.

- The School of Arts, Culture and Society contributes to the cultural life of the region through affiliations with accomplished artists-in-residence and with visiting artists and art organizations internationally and locally, such as the Harrisburg Symphony Orchestra.

- The Collaboratory for Strategic Research and Applied Partnerships enables students to apply their academic knowledge and Christian faith through hands-on projects that meet community needs around the world.

- The Center for Public Humanities engages academic, civic and cultural communities in contemporary issues and promotes learning through scholarship programs, lectures, film series and partnerships with school districts and literacy outreach programs.

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ATHLETIC ACHIEVEMENTS AND CHAMPIONSHIPS

Messiah University sets standards for excellence in NCAA Division III college programs while developing the Christian character of its athletes.

- Messiah University is the first school in NCAA history to win both men’s and women’s soccer national championships in the same year—not only once but four times (2012, 2009, 2008, 2005)!

175 Conference Team Championships
365 NCAA Division III All-Americans
21 National Players of the Year

Learn more about our intercollegiate esports team at messiah.edu/esports.

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