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 nearly 3,300 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.

• 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.

• Messiah students engage faculty-mentored research across all of our undergraduate majors. Visit messiah.edu/UGresearch to learn more.

RECOGNITIONS
“Best Regional College in the Northeast”
— PRINCETON REVIEW GUIDE, 2022

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, 2022

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

#11 “Best Value University” in the North
SOURCE: U.S. NEWS & WORLD REPORT, 2022

Visit messiah.edu/recognitions to learn more.
GRADUATE PROGRAMS
Messiah University offers 20+ graduate and adult degree programs and 35+ graduate-level certificates in a mix of traditional and online courses, including master’s and doctoral degrees in nursing, occupational therapy and physical therapy.

Visit messiah.edu/gradprograms and messiah.edu/adult-degree to learn more.

CHRISTIAN FAITH FORMATION
Messiah weaves opportunities for spiritual growth throughout students’ college experience—including chapel and worship services; discipleship and small groups; ministry outreach teams; community service; and mission trips.

To learn more about spiritual growth opportunities at Messiah, visit messiah.edu/faithandservice.

DISTINGUISHED EDUCATORS
Messiah University’s faculty hold degrees from internationally recognized graduate schools. They 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, and are often sought by regional and national media for their expertise.

OUTSTANDING CAREER PREPARATION
• Messiah students connect with potential employers through Into the City, a unique, immersive career development and networking program in major U.S. cities.

• Messiah is recognized as a 2021-22 College of Distinction for Career Development for its resources in helping students reach their career goals.

To learn more, visit messiah.edu/careers

ECONOMIC IMPACT
Messiah University is an important contributor to its local and statewide economies—annually generating an overall economic impact of $310 million, supporting roughly 2,100 jobs.
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 University’s designated Year of Reconciliation focuses on our commitment to biblical reconciliation, which results in lives of service, leadership and reconciliation. Learn more at messiah.edu/reconciliation.

• Messiah’s extensive sustainability efforts earned recognition as a Princeton Review Guide 2019 “Green College,” a Sierra Club “Cool School,” an Arbor Foundation “Tree Campus USA” and an AASHE STARS-rated school. Other on-campus initiatives include a community garden and apiary; a campus-wide composting program; one of the nation’s largest solar thermal systems; and reforesting programs through Messiah Press.

The energy savings from Messiah’s 100+ campus solar panels equals planting 3,600 trees per year.

• 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.

• 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.

• 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.
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)!

168 Conference Team Championships
351 NCAA Division III All-Americans
21 National Players of the Year

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