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A MOMENTOUS OCCASION

Class of 2026,

Congratulations! This occasion marks a significant moment for you—the culmination of your hard work and dedication. Together, we honor the degree you have achieved, the journey you have traveled, and the person God has been faithfully forming in you.

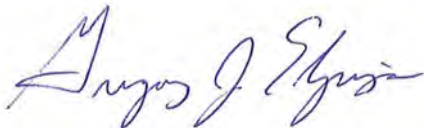
In this historic year—the 150th anniversary of Calvin—I am more convinced than ever that the world needs more Calvin alumni, in every sector of society and every corner of the world. I have great anticipation for how God will use you in the days, weeks, and years ahead—both in small, yet significant ways and in moments that help renew communities and institutions.

I encourage you to take a few moments today to reflect on the ways you both individually and in community have grown over the past years—how you have adapted, innovated, and ultimately persevered. I also invite you to remember those who have walked alongside you on this path and whose care, encouragement, and prayers have uplifted you.

As you enter into unknown territory, perhaps with varying degrees of excitement and trepidation, I hope you will find both peace and confidence knowing that your future is secure, because our world belongs to God. And as the apostle Paul reminds us in his letter to the Ephesians, God is “able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to the power that is at work within us.”

As Calvin students, you have deeply blessed your community, and as alumni, you will indelibly shape the world as Christ’s agents of renewal.

Thank you graduates, for your resilience. Thank you, families, for your steadfast support. Thank you, faculty and staff, for your faithful dedication. And thanks be to God who holds all things together.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Gregory J. Elzinga". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name being the most prominent.

Gregory J. Elzinga, MBA

President

COMMENCEMENT

ORDER OF CEREMONY

PRELUDE

Mars der Medici

Johan Wichers

PROCESSIONAL

Sine Nomine

Ralph Vaughan Williams, arr. Alfred Reed

WELCOME

Noah Toly, PhD, provost

Greg Elzinga, MBA, president

OPENING PRAYER

Mary Hulst, PhD, university pastor

*** OPENING SONG**

Rejoice in All Your Works

Wendell Kimbrough, arr. Greg Scheer

* Please rise in body or spirit.

Rejoice in All Your Works



1 Ev - ery mouth that cries for food, ev - ery lung that yearns for breath,
 2 Ev - ery tree that thirsts for rain, ev - ery bird that seeks its nest,
 3 May the pon - d'rings of my heart and the song up - on my lips



ev - ery eye that search - es through the dark for light,
 ev - ery heart that waits in hope to be made glad,
 with the chor - us of cre - a - tion join in praise



all cre - a - tion looks to you, for its breath and for its food;
 all cre - a - tion looks to you, for its breath and for its food;
 to the God who made all things, to the Spir - it who sus - tains,



from the good - ness of your hand they're sat - is - fied.
 from the good - ness of your hand they're sat - is - fied.
 to the Son who o - ver all cre - a - tion reigns.



Oh re - joice in all your works, King of heav - en, King of earth! Ev - ery



crea - ture you have made de - clares your praise. We re - joice in all you've made, God of



all su - stain - ing grace; with the moun - tain, sky, and sea we sing your praise.

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Rejoice in All Your Works

Translation, not for singing

Literal Translation - Spanish

Alégrate en todas tus obras

Toda boca que clama por comida,
cada pulmón que anhela respirar,
todo ojo que busca luz en la oscuridad:
toda la creación te busca
para respirar y alimentarse;
de la bondad de tu mano estamos satisfechos.

Coro:

¡Oh alégrate en todas tus obras,
rey del cielo, rey de la tierra!
Cada criatura que has hecho declara su alabanza.
Nos regocijamos en todo lo que has hecho,
Dios, todo lo sustentas con tu gracia;
con la montaña, el cielo y el mar, te cantamos alabanzas.

Todo árbol que tiene sed de lluvia,
cada ave que busca su nido,
todo corazón que espera alegrarse:
toda la creación te busca
por su aliento y alimento;
de la bondad de tu mano estamos satisfechos.

¡Que las meditaciones de mi corazón
y la canción en mis labios
se unan con el coro de la creación para alabar
al Dios que hizo todas las cosas,
al Espíritu que las sostiene,
y al Hijo que reina sobre toda la creación!

Literal Translation - Korean

기뻐하소서 (시편 104편)

양식을 위해 부르짖는 모든 입과,
호흡을 갈구하는 모든 허파,
어둠 속 빛을 찾아 헤메는 모든 눈—
이 모든 피조물이 주를 우러러 봅니다.
주께서 주시는 호흡과 양식을 바라며,
주의 선하신 손으로부터 우리는 만족됩니다.

후렴:

기뻐하소서, 오 하늘과 땅의 왕 되신 주여!
주의 행하신 모든 일들로 인해 기뻐하소서.
주께서 만드신 모든 피조물이 주를 찬양합니다.
은혜로 만물을 붙드시는 하나님이며!
우리도 주의 지으심을 인해 기뻐하며,
산과 하늘과 바다와 함께 노래하며 주를 찬송합니다.

비를 갈망하는 모든 나무와,
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나의 마음의 묵상과
나의 입술의 노래가
온 세상 만물의 화답과 함께
만물을 지으신 성부,
만물을 붙드시는 성령,
만물을 다스리시는 성자 하나님을 찬양합니다.

INTRODUCTION OF STUDENT SPEAKERS

Sarah Visser, PhD, executive vice president for student experience and strategy

STUDENT SENATE PRESIDENT REMARKS

“Well Done, Good and Faithful Servant”

Alyssa Pokharel, BS '26, student body president

SCRIPTURE FOR COMMENCEMENT

Isaiah 42:1-9

Aaron Jahn, BA '26

Jaei Lee, BSN '26

INTRODUCTION OF SPEAKER

Nate Glasper Jr., MA, resource development specialist and campus worship associate, Calvin Institute of Christian Worship; director, Calvin University Gospel Choir

COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS

“Servant Song”

John Witvliet, PhD, chief officer for university missional initiatives; professor of theology, worship, and the arts, Belmont University

CONFERRAL OF DEGREES

Perrin Rynders, JD, chair of board of trustees

Noah Toly, PhD, provost

PRESENTATION OF DIPLOMAS

CHARGE TO THE GRADUATES

Greg Elzinga, MBA, president

***CLOSING SONG**

Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

RECESSIONAL

Calvinite March

Dale Grotenhuis

The Calvinite March offers an energetic musical flourish that culminates with the melody of Calvin's Alma Mater, evoking its concluding affirmation, "Calvin, Calvin, God has been thy guide. Dear alma mater, thy strength He shall provide. Be loyal, ever, to the faith of old; God's name and honor we ever shall uphold."

The audience is requested to remain seated during the recessional until trustees, faculty, and graduates have exited.

*CLOSING SONG

Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

Arabic

سَبِّحُوا اللهَ الَّذِي مِنْهُ تَتَّبِعُ جَمِيعُ الْبَرَكَاتِ
سَبِّحُوهُ يَا جَمِيعَ الْمَخْلُوقَاتِ هُنَا فِي الْأَسْفَلِ
سَبِّحُوهُ فِي الْعُلَى يَا جُنْدَ السَّمَاءِ
سَبِّحُوا الْآبَ وَالْإِبْنَ وَالرُّوحَ الْقُدُسَ

Bahasa Indonesia

Pujilah Khalik semesta
Sumber segala kur'nia
Surga dan bumi puji t'rus
Sang Bapa, Putra, Roh Kudus

Dutch

Aan God de Vader zij de eer,
aan God de Zoon voor immermeer,
aan God de Geest die troost en leidt
zij lof nu en te allen tijd.

English

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise him, all creatures here below;
praise him above, ye heavenly host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

French

Gloire à Dieu, notre Créateur;
gloire à Christ, notre Rédempteur;
gloire à l'Esprit Consolateur!
Louange et gloire à Dieu, Sauveur.

Hausa

Mai bayarwa ne Allahnmu,
Yabe shi, ku y'an Adam duk.
Yabe shi, ku mala'iku,
Uba da 'Da da Ruhu, d'aya.

Japanese

たたえよ主の民
御使いとともに
恵みにあふれる
父・子・聖霊を

Korean

만복의 근원 하나님
온 백성 찬송드리고
저 천사여 찬송하세
찬송 성부 성자 성령

Mandarin

颂赞上主万福之源；
颂赞基督救赎恩洪；
颂赞圣灵，我保惠师；
崇敬至尊三一真神。
阿们，阿们。

Spanish

A Dios, el Padre celestial,
al Hijo, nuestro Redentor,
al eternal Consolador
unidos todos alabad.

Twi

Kamfo Nyame a nhyira firi no
Wiase abɔde monkamfo
Ɔsorofɔ monkamfo no
Kamfo Agya, 'ba ne Honhom.

Urdu

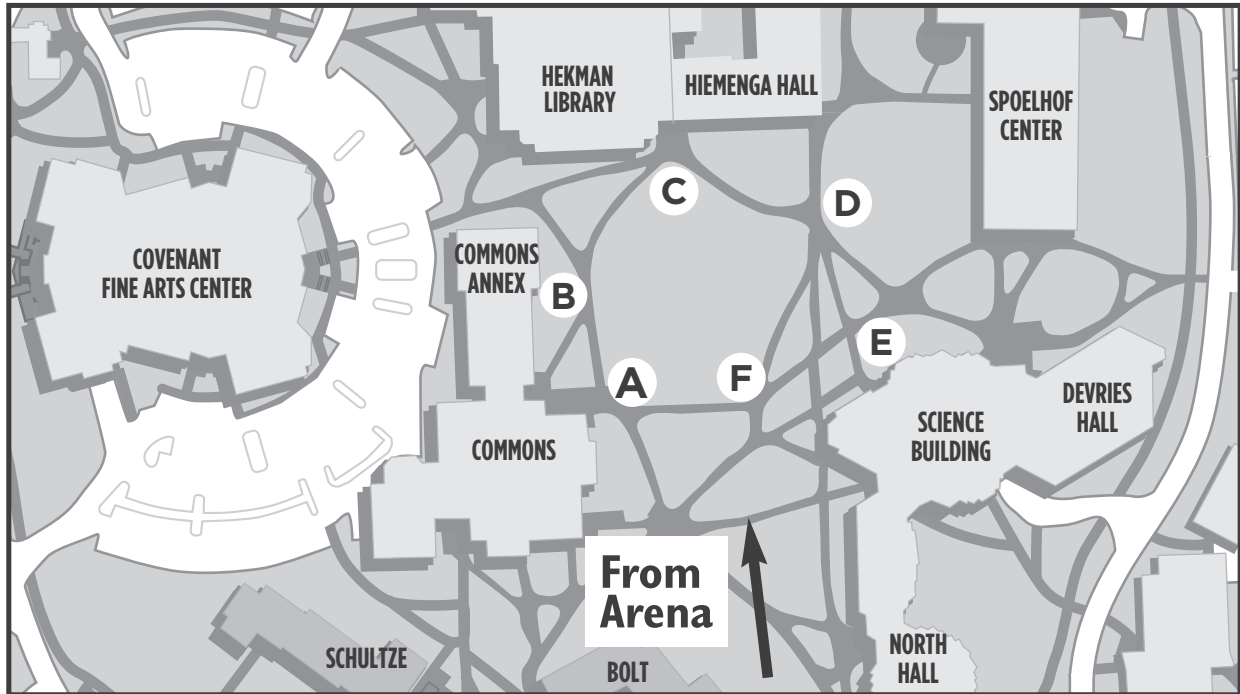
Hamd Khudaki Jo Khaliq Hai
Hamd Karo Aey Sari Zameen
Hamd Karo Aey Fouj Noorani
Hamd Baap Baitay Aur Rooh-Pak Ki

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RECEPTION

Immediately following the ceremony, graduates and guests are warmly invited to celebrate with faculty and staff on the Commons Lawn, in the areas designated on the map below.

Rain venue: Hoogenboom Health and Recreation Center



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F: SCHOOL OF HEALTH Kinesiology, Nursing, Public Health, Speech Pathology and Audiology



STUDENT SPEAKER

Alyssa Pokharel '26

Alyssa Pokharel is Calvin's student body president. She is graduating today with a BS in philosophy and psychology, with a concentration in neuroscience. During her time at Calvin, Pokharel has assumed leadership roles in international orientation, Rangeela, Psych Club, the Ministry Leadership Cohort, and as a Barnabas in the residence halls. She also helped launch a weekly student prayer gathering, served as a teacher assistant, and conducted and presented research alongside professors.

During Pokharel's time as president, Student Senate has worked to be accessible and approachable, creating space for dialogue across difference and amplifying marginalized voices. Highlights included establishing the LCS Council, a team of Life and Career Studies leaders and other student leaders that work to address needs of inclusion and integration, and launching the inaugural FEN (From Every Nation) Week, celebrating Calvin's commitment to multicultural citizenship, racial reconciliation, diversity, and justice.

After graduation, Pokharel is taking a gap year before beginning graduate study in psychology. She is pursuing a career in community psychology and hopes to return to Nepal, her home country, to serve the field of mental health. She is excited to integrate what she has learned in philosophy about cultivating communities of flourishing.



COMMENCEMENT SPEAKER

John Witvliet '90

John Witvliet serves as chief officer for university missional initiatives and as a professor of theology, worship, and the arts at Belmont University. In his role, he serves in the office of the president, nurturing engagement with Belmont's ecumenical, Christ-centered mission and identity across the university's 12 colleges, formation initiatives, and administrative offices.

Before joining Belmont in June 2025, Witvliet served for 28 years as the founding director of the Calvin Institute of Christian Worship (CICW) and as professor of worship, theology, and congregational and ministry studies at both Calvin University and Calvin Theological Seminary. He remains a consultant for the CICW.

During his tenure at Calvin, Witvliet taught and mentored hundreds of Calvin students in theology classes, choirs, and worship-related programs, and was a principal author of a number of important institutional documents related to faith formation, academic freedom, arts-related funding, and university structure. Under his leadership, CICW sponsored more than 150 conferences and seminars, published 140 academic and resource publications, and awarded over 1,200 grants to congregations and teacher-scholars who serve them. He's also a sought-after speaker who has engaged academic and lay audiences all over the globe.

While his accolades are extensive, his distinctive approach is why he is seen as a respected voice across many denominations and Christian traditions. Witvliet models and fosters receptive ecumenism—the idea of being firmly rooted in one own's tradition while being open to learning from others. This posture has helped Calvin build a global reputation for openness and collaboration across many different Christian traditions.

Witvliet, his wife Charlotte, and their four children are all graduates of Calvin University. Witvliet also holds a master's degree in theology from Calvin Theological Seminary, a master's degree in music from the University of Illinois, and a doctorate in liturgical studies and theology from the University of Notre Dame.

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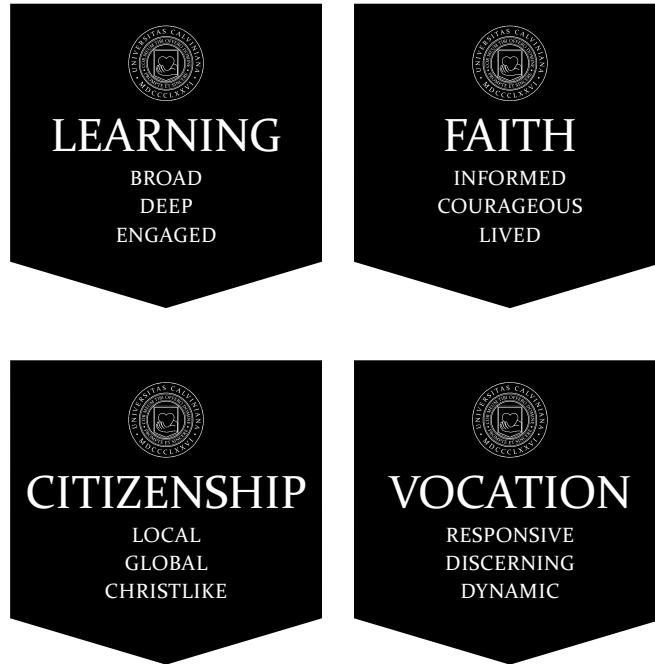
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EDUCATIONAL FRAMEWORK

The mission of Calvin University is to equip students to think deeply, to act justly, and to live wholeheartedly as Christ’s agents of renewal in the world.

Calvin’s educational framework is derived from that mission. It articulates a frame that ensures integrated, coherent, holistic programs and practices in which students learn and develop. The framework names university-wide goals that ground the institution’s curricular and co-curricular activities. It attempts to answer the question, “What are the enduring characteristics or qualities of thinking, doing, and being that mark a Calvin University graduate?”

The four primary components of the educational framework are represented on the large banners hanging in the front of the arena.

HIGHLIGHTS

FROM THE PAST FOUR YEARS

U.S. Department of Education leaders visit Calvin Prison Initiative Program and deem it a “leading exemplar” for prison education. To date, the CPI program has celebrated more than 100 graduates from the program.

ArbNet designates Calvin’s campus as an arboretum. While having an arboretum on a university campus isn’t necessarily uncommon, having an entire campus designated that way is rare.

Students from more than 90 countries submit their applications to Calvin. The interest, which represents nearly half the countries in the world, is record-setting. In 2024, Calvin continued to build on that international footprint.

2022–2023

The board of trustees approves the university’s athletics strategic plan, expanding Calvin’s NCAA Division III offerings.

Construction projects to enhance the student experience commence on campus: Commons Union phase one, new outdoor athletic facilities, and School of Health enhancements, including a cadaver lab and an expanded speech pathology & audiology clinic.

2023–2024

The university launches the Wayfinder Program, the state of Michigan’s first Clemente Course in the Humanities, which is a transformative educational experience for adults facing economic and social barriers to higher education. The program is now offered off-campus in a neighboring zip code to Calvin.

Calvin launches its first-ever marching band program, which performs on field during the inaugural season for the Calvin Knights' football team.

The Carnegie Classification applauds the university for its commitment to research, giving it the designation of Research College and University.

For the second year in a row, *U.S. News & World Report* recognizes Calvin for its commitment to teaching, listing it as the best university for undergraduate teaching in its Regional Universities Midwest category.

Calvin University and Calvin Theological Seminary celebrate their 150th anniversary with three exciting on-campus celebration weeks and dozens of "Calvin on the Road" events across North America and around the world.

2024–2025

Calvin welcomes its largest incoming class in the past decade, and total enrollment now exceeds 3,600 students. Nearly 20% of first-year students are first-generation college students.

After serving as interim president for eight months, Greg Elzinga is officially appointed as Calvin's 13th president.

2025–2026

An aerospace engineering concentration is added to Calvin's already nationally respected engineering program. Within its curriculum, a CubeSat program gives students the rare opportunity to design, build, test, and operate a real satellite that could be launched into orbit.

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Biology; Public Health
magna cum laude

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Lainey R Moore, BA
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Leadership; Human Services
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Leadership; Human Services
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cum laude

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summa cum laude

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Audiology
magna cum laude

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Nursing
cum laude

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Political Science
summa cum laude

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Nursing

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Computer Science Plus
cum laude

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summa cum laude

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Entrepreneurship

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magna cum laude

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Carter R Sacks, BSA
Accounting
summa cum laude

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cum laude

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Marketing: Analytics and
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Entrepreneurship; Spanish
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English
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Tim Schoon, BA
Philosophy

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Computer
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Nursing
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Politics, Philosophy, and
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Emma G Shaarda, BSTR
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summa cum laude

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Leadership

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Interdisciplinary

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Secondary Education; Social
Studies Education
magna cum laude

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Special Education

Kaleb T Souders, BA
Secondary Education;
Spanish Education
cum laude

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Philosophy
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Leadership; Human Services
magna cum laude

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Finance
magna cum laude

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Emphasis

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Integrated Science Studies:
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cum laude

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Engineering: Mechanical
summa cum laude

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Public Health
magna cum laude

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Computer Science

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Biochemistry; Spanish

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Computer Science

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Finance
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Engineering: Chemical

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Psychology

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with distinction
Accounting; Politics,
Philosophy & Economics
magna cum laude

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History
cum laude

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Faith and Community
Leadership; Human Services

Madison R VanBeck, BA
Elementary Education
summa cum laude

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Accounting; Finance
magna cum laude

Josh K VandeGriend, BS
Psychology: Neuroscience
cum laude

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Marketing: Professional
Selling

Abigail R Vanden Heuvel, BS
Biology
magna cum laude

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Marketing: Management

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Finance; Economics

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Elementary Education

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Digital Communication;
English: Linguistics; Spanish
magna cum laude

Megan E. Vanderwal, BSA
Accounting
summa cum laude

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Social Studies: Secondary
Education; History: Secondary
Education
magna cum laude

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Marketing: Management;
Operations and Supply Chain
Management
cum laude

Kylie T. VanDuyn, BA
Secondary Education
cum laude

Jacob H G Van Eek, BSE
Engineering: Mechatronics

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Secondary Education; Social
Studies Education

Joel E. VanHekken, BS
Environmental Science:
Naturalist Track

Samuel J VanOrman, BSE
Engineering: Mechanical
cum laude

Anna Joan Van Santen, BSN
Nursing
magna cum laude

Samuel J. VanSchepen, BS
Kinesiology: Pre-Professional
Emphasis

Chantale Van Tassel, BA
with honors
English: Writing; Asian
Studies
summa cum laude

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Engineering: Civil and
Environmental

Ryanne Van Wyk, BSN
Nursing

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Engineering: Civil and
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Special Education: Cognitive
Impairment
magna cum laude

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French
cum laude

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Accounting

Mikey Veenstra, BFA
Art

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Engineering: Mechanical
cum laude

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Computer Science Plus

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Business Analytics

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Biology; Environmental
Science: Naturalist Track
cum laude

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Speech Pathology and
Audiology
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Social Work

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Economics; Music

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Computer Science

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Engineering: Mechanical;
Social Science Group

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Marketing: Management;
Finance
cum laude

Anna G. Walhof, BA
English: Secondary
Education; Spanish
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Grace E H Weaver, BS
with honors
Biology
cum laude

Amelia R Wells, BA
Biology
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Speech Pathology and
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History

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and Electrical & Computer
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Computer Science Plus;
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Biochemistry

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Human Resource
Management
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Leadership; Human Services
cum laude

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Graphic Design
magna cum laude

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Nursing

Annika Leigh Wilson, BSN
Nursing

Ashley P Wind, BS
Biology
cum laude

Jared D Winkle, BSE
Engineering: Mechanical

Kristin M Winkle, BS
Biochemistry

Trevin P Winkle, BA
Health & Physical Education
cum laude

Meleyna Winterstein, BSN
Nursing
magna cum laude

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Elementary Education
summa cum laude

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Computer

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Computer Science;
Mathematics

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with distinction
Computer Science
magna cum laude

Yang Yang, BA
Digital Communication

Heewon J Yi, BA
Statistics; Marketing;
Management

Jooha Yoo, BS
Computer Science Plus;
Spanish

Esther Yoon, BS
Biology
cum laude

Rachel M Zdrojewski, BA
English: Secondary
Education
summa cum laude

**Aidan Michael Zeinstra,
BS**
Operations and Supply Chain
Management

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Computer Science

Yibo Zhang, BS
Kinesiology: Pre-Professional
Emphasis

Jacob M Ziegler, BS
Kinesiology: Pre-Professional
Emphasis

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Speech Pathology and
Audiology
magna cum laude

Kora Justine Zylstra, BSN
Nursing

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Faith and Community
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Jamie S. Brown, AA
Faith and Community
Leadership

Scott O. Clark, AA
Faith and Community
Leadership

Jefferson W. Few, AA
Faith and Community
Leadership

Nathan Gentry, AA
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Faith and Community
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Leadership

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Leadership

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Leadership

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Faith and Community
Leadership

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Faith and Community
Leadership

CERTIFICATE

Jack Jones
Comprehensive
Postsecondary Education:
Interdisciplinary

Joshua C Talbot
Comprehensive
Postsecondary Education:
Interdisciplinary

Drew Vandlen
Comprehensive
Postsecondary Education:
Education

ADDITIONAL PATHS TO ACHIEVEMENT

Life and Career Studies

Life and Career Studies offers inclusive postsecondary education. Students earn four-year certificates from Calvin University in either life and career studies or comprehensive postsecondary education.

Calvin Prison Initiative

Students in the Calvin Prison Initiative (CPI) program are able to earn associate's and bachelor's degrees from Calvin University. CPI is a partnership between Calvin University, Calvin Theological Seminary, and the Michigan Department of Corrections. The program provides a Christian liberal arts education to inmates at the Richard A. Handlon Correctional Facility in Ionia, Michigan. On May 21, 2026, a formal Commencement ceremony honoring the 2026 graduating class of the CPI program will be held inside Handlon Correctional Facility.

ACADEMIC REGALIA

The ceremonial costumes worn by faculty and graduates for Commencement have their roots in the Middle Ages, when European scholars wore robes, hoods, and caps to stay warm in unheated classrooms. Universities eventually adopted them as official everyday classroom uniforms to discourage “excess in apparel.” As the custom spread across Europe and into other areas, style differences emerged to designate each scholar’s institution, level of education, and (in the United States) field of study.

Today, the costume is reserved for ceremonial occasions. Faculty, staff, and students now wear regalia to honor the significance of this milestone in students’ lives. Gown and hood styles tell us something about each wearer’s degree.

Students receiving the bachelor’s degree today wear plain black gowns with pointed sleeves. The master’s gown (also black) has oblong sleeves, open at the wrist, with a longer base hanging down from the wrist opening. The doctor’s gown has bell sleeves, velvet facing, and three velvet bars on each sleeve. Though black is the traditional color and always appropriate for a doctoral gown, many professors wear the distinctive colors and styles of the universities that granted their degrees.

The longer the hood, the more advanced the degree. Master’s and doctor’s hoods have satin linings in the colors of the institution where the

degree was earned. The velvet edging color represents the wearer’s discipline. Though blue signifies philosophy and is therefore appropriate for any PhD (doctor of philosophy), universities in the United States also use these colors:

- White for arts and letters
- Light blue for education
- Drab (tan) for business
- Purple for law and political science
- Red for theology
- Gold for sciences
- Pink for music
- Crimson for communications
- Copper for economics
- Orange for engineering
- Brown for fine arts
- Apricot for nursing
- Green for physical education
- Salmon for public health

The flat cap, or mortar board, was originally worn by early medieval clergy and later adopted by medieval students and artists. The soft cap worn by some doctors was first adopted by monks to keep their tonsured heads warm.

In recent years, some students and faculty wear a kente cloth (a ceremonial woven stole with origins in 12th century Ghana) to honor African culture and/or leadership in the Center for Intercultural Student Development.



LATIN SEAL

The Latin heart-in-hand seal became the official emblem of Calvin University in 1933, but it emerged as early as 1910 in the university yearbook. However, the words *prompte et sincere* (promptly and sincerely) along with the image of an outstretched hand offering a heart surfaced four centuries earlier in the writings of the reformer John Calvin. He used the image to seal his letters in the 1540s. The motto *prompte et sincere* appears on his portrait dated 1566. The adoption of the words *Cor meum tibi offero Domine prompte et sincere* (My heart I offer, Lord, promptly and sincerely) and image together stand as the insignia of the university today, inspiring the Calvin community to practice the university's mission of thinking deeply, acting justly, and living wholeheartedly as Christ's agents of renewal in the world.

HONORS DESIGNATIONS

Honors Scholars Medallions

These gold medallions with a maroon and gold ribbon are worn by students who have completed the requirements to graduate with honors as Honors Scholars. Requirements include completion of the Honors Scholars core curriculum and an honors thesis and a cumulative GPA of 3.5 or higher.

Collegiate Scholars Medallions

These gold medallions with a maroon ribbon are worn by students who have fulfilled the requirements to graduate with distinction. Requirements include the completion of four advanced academic or community engagement activities and a cumulative GPA of 3.65 or higher.

Latin Honors Cords

These maroon and gold cords are worn by students who have earned one of the following Latin honors designations: *cum laude*—minimum 3.65 GPA, *magna cum laude*—minimum 3.8 GPA, *summa cum laude*—minimum 3.95 GPA.

FLAGS OF COUNTRIES

The international flags displayed on the screens prior to today's Commencement ceremony include the 44 countries represented by the Class of 2026 graduates. The flags celebrate the multicultural community of learners at Calvin University and serve as a visual reminder that diversity and inclusion are core institutional values grounded in our educational mission and Christian identity.



A 150-YEAR LEGACY

Calvin University began in 1876 with a small group of students as the literary program of De Theologishe School. It prepared students for the theological program, which would train the students for ministry in the Reformed tradition. From the beginning, then, Calvin was shaped by a Christian liberal arts vision, one that not only trains students in a specialized major or profession, but a comprehensive education rooted in Reformed Christianity.

The Theological School's curriculum broadened as the literary program became a Preparatory Department (1900), which also trained teachers and readied students for college, and then John Calvin Junior College (1906) and Calvin College (1908). In 1920, Calvin became a four-year baccalaureate institution committed to wholistic teaching and rigorous scholarship. In the process, it embraced a vision that faith belongs not only in the church but in every sphere of life—education, culture, science, and public service.

This vision would come to define Calvin's distinctive approach to Christian higher education.

Throughout its history, Calvin has continued to evolve in response to the needs of the world. It has become known for integrating faith and learning. It challenges students to ask hard questions, pursue truth with humility, and seek the flourishing of their neighbors and communities. It welcomes students from many backgrounds and nations and offers dozens of undergraduate and graduate programs. It has consistently widened access to a Christ-centered education while remaining anchored in its theological heritage.

In 2019, Calvin became a university, formally recognizing decades of growth, global engagement, and academic breadth. This was not a departure from the past, but a deepening of its long-held mission to equip students to think deeply, act justly, and live wholeheartedly as Christ's agents of renewal in the world.

APPRECIATION

FACULTY MARSHALS

Mark Muyskens, PhD, professor of chemistry
Keith Vander Linden, PhD, professor of computer science

STUDENT MARSHALS

Jeremiah Joseph, BS '26
Akayika Mafeng Luraghi, MA '26
Margaret B. Pheifer, BA '26
Charles Platt, BSA '26

READER

Chad Engbers, PhD, professor of English

ASL INTERPRETER

Brianna Beck

MUSIC

Calvin Wind Ensemble conducted by
Tiffany Engle, DMA, associate professor of music

FLOWERS

Ludemas Floral and Garden

COMMENCEMENT COMMITTEE

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