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Let us know what you think! Take our after PASSPORT survey:

Student Survey
calvin.edu/go/studentPPsurvey

Parent Survey
calvin.edu/go/parentPPsurvey

Please take the survey Friday evening after your experience.

Don’t forget to download our app! Search for “Calvin Orientation” on your preferred app store.

Text us at (616) 219-0531 with questions!
Welcome

Whenever you begin a new adventure, you need the right tools. New Student Orientation is a time where we fill your toolbox—some tools are mundane (like how to register your bicycle) and some are more profound (like stories from other students and parents who have been where you are now). We hope you have your questions answered through your time here, but more than that, we hope you feel the communal connection we have at Calvin.

Top (from left to right):
Abby Vedders, Laura Harjanto, Annie Mas-Smith, Esther Kwak, Kreg Westergren

Middle (from left to right):
Josh Bulten, Anna Van Wolde

Bottom (from left to right):
Dre Davidson, Rebekah De Lange, Josh Wilson
MEET OUR TEAM

JB Britton
Assoc. Director of Campus Involvement & Leadership
I hail from Toronto, Ontario, where I gained a love of the outdoors and hockey. I have a BA in secondary ed. and an MA in education from Calvin.

Annie Mas-Smith
Assistant Director
I am a West Michigan native with a BA in social work from Calvin College and an MEd from Grand Valley State University. In my free time, I love to be outdoors with my husband and kids!

Esther Kwak
Program Coordinator
I'm Korean, but grew up in the Democratic Republic of Congo, playing with monkeys and eating mangos! I have a BA in secondary education and an MEd in leadership.

Josh Bulten
I am a soon-to-be Calvin alum with a degree in business and political science. I was born in Grand Rapids and have lived here ever since. My favorite experience from my time at Calvin has been the friendships I formed while serving on the Orientation Team my sophomore year. I love cooking breakfast (especially omelets) and watching Tigers baseball games in the summer. Welcome to Calvin!

Laura Harjanto
I’m a senior studying political science and economics with a minor in philosophy. As someone who grew up under the tropic sun and among the mountains of Indonesia, I never would’ve thought I would spend my college years in Michigan. Yet, Calvin has become my home away from home. This is the place where I’ve been stretched

Anna VanWolde
Though my home has varied around different midwest areas, I am currently placed in Holland, Michigan. Being able to still be close to the beach, Michigan hiking locations, and the wonderful city of Grand Rapids are just some of the reasons I love the location of Calvin. However, the community here is the number one reason I call this university my home. As I head into my senior year, I am excited to continue my nursing education, seek out the many opportunities Calvin has to offer, and further the community development that has already proven to be so fruitful in my life. Please stop me and ask questions if you see me—I love to talk!

Abby Vedders
I am a Pure Michigan girl through and through. I love taking advantage of Calvin’s amazing location whether that means taking a trip to the beach (in the summer and the winter!), hiking, or heading to ArtPrize. The people I have met at Calvin have become like family. In May of 2020, I’ll be graduating with a degree in English secondary education!

Rebekah De Lange
I grew up among the cornfields of Northwest Indiana, but I now call Grand Rapids my home. Calvin has played a transformational role in my life by offering me the opportunities to get involved through Dance Guild, PERIOD, Residence Life, and chapel worship teams. I’m an organizational communications major and international development studies minor, and my dream job is to work for a non-profit abroad.

Josh Wilson
I am a senior at Calvin College with a major in computer science. I grew up in Ghana, Switzerland, as well as Trinidad & Tobago and have been blessed to travel and learn from various cultures. I am glad to call Calvin my new home and am grateful for all the opportunities Calvin has given me. I love soccer, music, and food!

Kreg Westergren
I am currently a senior studying psychology and business and graduating this May. I was born and raised in Cambodia and Thailand but have ended up calling home wherever my friends or family are situated. In the U.S., my home base would be Wheaton, Illinois. But, I have actually lived in Grand Rapids longer due to college. Calvin College has blessed me with friends, mentors, and my current fiancé who have all helped me call this place my new home. I absolutely love meeting new people and just trying new things. If you want to find me at my happiest state, it will be outside or trying new foods.

Dre Davidson
I am going to be a junior. I am a social work major with a music minor. I am from the south side of Chicago, and I love my city. Coming to Calvin has really blessed me and allowed me to meet new people from all over the world. I deeply value relationships and community, and I found just that coming to Calvin with the diversity amongst the student population. I never thought that I would be in leadership roles in college, but Calvin has truly changed me and that thought.
OUR MISSION

New Student Orientation offers hospitality to new students and families into Calvin’s vibrant community and assists students to take ownership of their academic, spiritual, and social development as Christ’s agents of renewal in the world.

OUR CORE VALUES

We strive to be...

Mission centered, ensuring the program aligns with the educational mission of the college.

Hospitality shaped, welcoming and creating space for new students and families.

Educationally focused, as co-curricular educators, striving to educate and inform students and families in all we do.

Professionally excellent, striving for excellence in all parts of our profession.

Leadership enhanced, encouraging returning students to emerge and develop as leaders.

CONNECT  #newcalvinknight  #calvincollege  #mycalvinstory

Document your day with tweets and pics! Receive notifications about the schedule through the Calvin College Orientation app. Follow us on Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, and Snapchat @newcalvinknight. Listen and look for hashtags throughout orientation, and maybe you’ll see your pics or tweets up on the big screen. Text us at (616) 219-0531 with questions.
DEAR NEW (AND RETURNING) CALVIN PARENTS:

Welcome to New Student Orientation! If you’re anything like us, anticipating this day of learning and transition will bring feelings of both excitement and anxiety. But if you’re anything like us, you’ll come out of these sessions reassured and prepared to send your student to Calvin in the fall—and maybe even wishing you could enroll yourself!

Calvin’s faculty, leadership and facilities have impressed us from our very first visit. PASSPORT did not disappoint. The orientation board went out of its way to ensure that our transition from “parents of high school students” to “parents of college students” went as smoothly as possible. We think you’ll find, as we did, that Calvin is a place that’s thoughtful, dedicated and caring.

We encourage you to seize this opportunity to share stories with other parents, ask questions, and meet the faculty and staff who will be working with your students. And if you need a refreshing break to gather your thoughts, we recommend a stroll through the Ecosystem Preserve.

Parent engagement at Calvin lasts far beyond New Student Orientation. You’ll have the opportunity to return for Family Weekend every fall and to participate in other Calvin events either in person or online. In addition to watching our students’ events, we’ve enjoyed attending the Symposium on Worship, listening to January Series broadcasts, and exploring the city of Grand Rapids.

You and your student are embarking on a wonderful journey. Embrace this opportunity to get to know the best of Calvin.

In Christ,

Donald and Linda Sutherland
Parents of Ian ’17 and Neil ’20
Ballwin, Missouri
Chairs, Calvin Parent Council
We have been there and we have felt it all before; the nervousness, the excitement, the sense of new beginnings and the uncertainty which comes along with transitioning into not only a different culture to start college, but the transition into a new country all together. The start of college is not exactly the easiest thing to do, and that is why we are here!

As individuals who have gone before you on the journey upon which you are about to embark, we want to introduce you to Calvin and the endless opportunities for communal and personal growth that await you on this journey. It is our hope that by the time International PASSPORT is over, you can confidently see Calvin as a place to call home.

With love,
International PASSPORT Orientation Team
WHERE DO WE EAT?

We’re happy to have you experience our dining halls during New Student Orientation. Meals will be held in either the Commons or Knollcrest dining halls—your personalized schedule will clarify times and locations. If there is anything that we can do to make your dining experience more enjoyable, please let us know!

GOING GREEN

Calvin Dining Services is helping the environment by limiting and eliminating plastic bottled water. Instead, we use water served from pitchers. We have changed from plastic products to paper or biodegradable, when possible. Recycling takes place in our kitchens with bins for glass, metal, and plastic. Please help us by pitching in!
WHAT IS FERPA?

The Family Education Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) of 1974 helps to protect the privacy of student records. The act provides for the right of students to inspect and review education records, the right to seek to amend those records, and the right to limit disclosure of information from the records. Students who are currently enrolled at Calvin College, regardless of their age or status in regard to parental dependence, are protected under FERPA. Parents of students termed dependent for income tax purposes may have access to the student’s educational records. With certain exceptions, students have rights of access to those records that are directly related to them and that are maintained by Calvin College. Educational records include any records in the possession of an employee that are shared with or accessible to another individual. The records may be handwritten or in the form of print, magnetic tape, film, or some other medium. This includes transcripts or other records obtained from a school in which students were previously enrolled.

CENTER FOR STUDENT SUCCESS

The Center for Student Success is home to a number of offices including the registrar’s office, disability services, tutoring, and academic coaching. This office, located in Spoelhof Center 360, is able to assist you with academic advising, academic support, disability support services, and the registration process. Staff members are also available to help with any questions about academic or graduation requirements. Information on frequently asked questions is available at: calvin.edu/offices-services/center-for-student-success/faq
**PLACEMENT TESTS INFO**

**World Language Placement Exam**
To graduate, students are required to successfully complete the intermediate level of one of the nine different world languages Calvin offers.

Online placement tests are offered for French, German and Spanish. Taking one of these placement tests may be helpful if four years of a world language in high school with a C or better each semester were not completed or if there is a desire to continue education in a world language.

Placement information will be sent to students who need language for core and to those who have expressed interest via the Academic Questionnaire in continuing language study.

**Calculus Readiness Exam**
If a student has had four years of college preparatory math in high school and intends to take calculus, they will need to take the Calculus Readiness Exam.

If plans include a possible major requiring calculus, the calculus placement test will help determine the level of math in which to enroll. Programs that require calculus include engineering, pre-architecture and most science-related programs.

Students who might need calculus will receive an email instructing them to take the online placement test.
How should students prepare for this appointment?

One of the most important parts of orientation is advising. Students should have received via email the advising worksheet which the registrar’s office will use to plan the fall course schedule. During PASSPORT, it will be important to attend the “Charting Your Course” meeting to learn about advising and the core curriculum. Review the Academic Evaluation Report (AER) that is attached to the student PASSPORT schedule. The AER is a real time document that lists the courses required for graduation. It applies each student’s course work to the various requirements of the core, majors, minors and cognates to show what requirements are completed, those that are in progress, and those that have yet to be started.

Where will students find out more about academic requirements and course planning?

The college catalog is a great resource to explore different program requirements. Also, there is information available on the Center for Student Success website. Each semester, students are required to meet with a faculty advisor to discuss their academic progress and registration.

What if the major students put on their PASSPORT form is not the major they now want to consider?

Meet with the academic advisor assigned to you for PASSPORT. At the beginning of the meeting, tell that advisor that you plan to change majors. The advisor will still meet with you to plan your upcoming semester and will notify the registrar’s office of the change. The registrar’s office staff will make sure that you are assigned an appropriate advisor for future course planning. PASSPORT advisors are typically able to provide general information on core courses and then may refer you to the advising office (or the respective department) if they have questions.

Will a student’s PASSPORT advisor be their permanent advisor?

Typically the PASSPORT advisor is a faculty or staff member who volunteered their time to meet with incoming students during orientation. The registrar’s office will assign students to a primary advisor during the fall semester and notify students via email of this information.

Will a student’s PASSPORT advisor register them for the first semester courses?

When you meet for advising at PASSPORT, the advisor will make a list of possible courses that you may take during the fall semester. The registrar’s office will take this information (along with the information provided on the advising worksheet) to enroll students in classes during the month of July. Students will be notified via email when the class schedule has been completed.

Should parents attend this appointment?

This choice is ultimately up to you. Students may invite parents along to the advising appointment so they can gather a sense of what academic advising at Calvin College is, but keep in mind that this is the student’s appointment to discuss the student’s academic journey and college schedule this fall.
A YEAR-BY-YEAR BREAKDOWN

CORE GATEWAY - YEAR 1
First Year Seminar is a course taken during your first semester that introduces you to issues of learning, identity, vocation, discernment, and awareness through discussions and presentations.

CORE COMPETENCIES - YEARS 1–4
These courses, such as written rhetoric, foreign language, and information technology, develop skills essential to your academic success at Calvin and beyond.

CORE STUDIES - YEARS 1–4
Core studies courses are designed to introduce a variety of disciplines and give a wider understanding of the world we live in. Typically a number of them will overlap with courses required in a major.

CORE CAPSTONE - YEARS 3–4
The capstone is one course that draws together the themes of core curriculum with an area of study. This course helps take stock of what’s learned at Calvin and how it can be used to engage the world and chosen field.

CHARTING YOUR COURSE
This group advising session will help you navigate your academic life at Calvin and answer questions about course registration, choosing a major, and staying on track to graduate. For your specific classroom, please check the personalized schedule that you received at check in.

Text us at (616) 219-0531 with questions!
**RESIDENCE LIFE**

**OPENING DAY**

The official opening day for **first-year and transfer students is Thursday, August 29, 2019 at 8 a.m.**

**IMPORTANT DATES**

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BREAK PERIODS AND END OF SEMESTER CLOSING DAYS

Please make travel arrangements according to the dates above. Due to staffing constraints, opening and closing times are strictly enforced. For an additional charge, space is available at the Knollcrest East Apartments for students who must remain on campus during Christmas or spring break periods.

While the halls officially close after fall semester at 10 a.m. on December 18 and for the spring semester at 10 a.m. on May 22, only students with exams the previous nights or non-local residents should plan on staying until the last day. All other students should plan to leave the day of their last exam or the following morning. Exceptions for carpooling or other transportation issues can be made by contacting the resident director in advance.

MOVING IN

PLEASE BRING THE ESSENTIALS:

___ extra long twin sheets (80 inches)
___ pillow and pillow case
___ blanket/comforter
___ hand and bath towels
___ clothing for warm and cold weather
___ laundry basket and detergent
___ dishes, cups, and silverware (for snacks and personal use)
___ desk supplies
___ hangers
___ umbrella
___ box fan

POSSIBLY BRING:

___ bike and bike lock
___ outdoor sports equipment
___ computer or laptop
___ TV/game systems
___ electric hotpot or coffeepot
___ plants
___ posters and decorations (please use removeable tape or poster putty)
___ extension cords/surge protectors
___ small refrigerator (four feet tall or smaller) limit one per room

PLEASE NOTE: We advise you to not bring more than one carload of belongings when you move into the residence halls due to storage space and room size.

PLEASE DO NOT BRING*:

• hot plates, toasters, microwaves, or other kitchen appliances
• space heaters
• candles/incense
• pets (except fish)
• satellite dishes
• air conditioners
• waterbeds
• weight lifting equipment
• lumber or additional materials to loft beds
• alcohol and alcoholic beverage containers (empty or full, including those thought to be decorative)
• marijuana or illegal drugs, or any associated paraphernalia
• firearms or any kind of weapon (including paintball or air-soft guns)
• hoverboards

* See your Housing Contract for a complete list of restrictions.

If you plan to be employed during this coming school year, either on-campus or off-campus, you will need to present documents to your employer that establish both your identity and employment authorization. You will need either a passport or BOTH a photo ID and a social security card/birth certificate. Documents MUST be original—your employer will not accept copies or photos.
RESIDENCE HALL AMENITIES

RESIDENCE HALLS INCLUDE:

• generally, a wing of men and a wing of women connected by a common lobby and shared basement space
• reception desk and student mailboxes in main lobby
• quiet reading room adjacent to main lobby (can be reserved for meetings and group studying)
• computer lab with network printing, Internet access, and academic software
• prayer room for private devotions and praying
• laundry rooms in each wing — free for residents!
• basement quiet reading rooms for individual study
• basement lounges for community events, group studying, and hang-out space (including vending machines, flat-screen TV, ping-pong, foosball, and pool tables)

RESIDENCE HALL FLOORS INCLUDE:

• approximately 20 rooms for residents, arranged in suites of two rooms
• approximately 40 residents per floor, primarily first- and second-year students
• recycling and trash station
• CJ — a community bathroom with a tub, toilet, and sink
• coffee kitchen — a shared kitchen with a table, stove, microwave, sink, and full-size refrigerator

RESIDENCE HALL ROOMS INCLUDE:

• approximately 155 square feet (including the closet area), or roughly 9’ x 15’
• stackable furniture (sorry, no home-made lofts are permitted)
• 2 beds, mattresses (twin extra-long)
• 2 dressers
• 2 desks with chairs, desk lamps, and bookshelves
• 2 additional bookshelves
• closet areas for hanging clothes, shoes, etc. and built-in shelving space
• private bathroom shared with one other student room (comprising a suite). Includes shower, toilet, sink, counter space, and storage area for toiletries and cleaning supplies
• high-speed Ethernet ports and wireless access throughout the building
• approximately 5 electrical outlets (2 plugs each)
• 2 wastebaskets
• 1 recycling container

Text us at (616) 219-0531 with questions!
DECORATING

Residents are encouraged to personalize their rooms—this is your home! Because we live in Christian community, inappropriate/offensive decorations, including any alcohol related posters or sexually provocative pictures, may not be displayed. We all may not agree on what’s inappropriate or offensive, so the residence life staff reserves the right to ask that decorations which it judges to be in conflict with the mission of Calvin College as a Christian academic community be removed.

Please be careful to use approved removable tape or poster putty only (no duct tape). You are responsible for removing all residue when you check out. Any damage to the room is assessed to your student account after you check out.

ROOM CONDITION REPORTS

When you check into your room, your RA will give you a room condition form to review and sign. The form will report the general condition of the room and any existing damage to walls or furniture, etc. When you check out of your room at the end of the year, the same form will be completed. Any additional damage noted in the spring may be charged to your student account.

STORAGE

There is a trunk room on the lower level of each hall for storage of offseason clothing, trunks, and suitcases, and for summer storage of clothing. All items stored in the trunk rooms are stored at the student’s risk and must be clearly labeled and logged. A staff member must accompany you when you are adding or removing items from the trunk room. Furniture may not be stored in the trunk room.

Bicycles can be stored on outdoor bicycle racks or in the bicycle storage room on the lower level of the women’s wing. Bicycles may not be left in the hallways, stairwells, lobbies, or floor lounges. Bikes should be locked at all times.

RESNET AND WIRELESS COMPUTER ACCESS

Access to Calvin’s “ResNet” wired network (in student rooms) and “eduroam” wireless network (in most areas of the halls and across campus) is available at no additional charge. Private wireless routers are not permitted. More information is available at calvin.edu/it.

Adherence to the Responsible Use of Technology statement of the Student Conduct Code is mandated, and internet access is subject to some content filtering. Additional web-filtering software is available upon request—contact the Housing Office or your Resident Director.

Sharing of copyrighted files through campus networks or external sites is prohibited. Students are encouraged to use legal services for music and other media, such as iTunes, Pandora, Spotify, Netflix, etc.

LOOKING AHEAD

Information for the end of the school year

CLEAN AND PACK DAY

In an effort to encourage cleaning your room and organizing your items for moving out of the building, Residence Life sponsors a cleaning and packing time prior to finals week during spring semester. RAs will be around to help unstack beds and answer any questions students have regarding checkouts. The trunk room will be open during the first 10 minutes of each hour. Packing boxes will be available at the desks along with a variety of cleaning supplies.
GENERAL CHECKOUT PROCEDURES

Detailed expectations for checking out of the residence halls will be provided to all residents several weeks before the end of each semester. During the final check-out week in May, students are asked to sign up for check-out times at the reception desk of their residence hall, and to have their room clean and ready for inspection at the time of the check-out. Additional cleaning responsibilities (community chores) are assigned during check-out week, so that all residents participate in the successful closure of each building. Fines for damages, not checking out, or not cleaning will be issued by staff, so please pay close attention to the information provided by the housing office.

Please note: Due to graduation housing needs and staffing limitations, this time of year often feels rushed. Cleaning, packing, and preparing before exams is strongly recommended to ease the stress and complexity of moving out.

TRANSITIONAL HOUSING

If you need on-campus housing after the halls close in May, you can sign up for Transitional Housing. Information is sent out with general checkout information by the Housing Office. The cost is $25 per night.

SUMMER STORAGE

You may place some belongings (trunks, suitcases, and boxes) in the basement trunk rooms. All storage is at your own risk and items must be labeled clearly. Furniture and items packed in garbage bags may not be stored in the trunk rooms. Bicycles must be left in the bike storage rooms (not in outdoor racks), although their safety cannot be guaranteed. Calvin assumes no liability for lost, damaged, or stolen items.

STUDENT MAIL

A student in a residence hall would use the following format:

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Zip code and the word “Hall” are required for proper mail delivery. The street address for mailing is the same for all residence halls.
When will I find out about my roommate and which hall and room am I placed in for the fall?

If your application was received by the May 1 priority housing date and you did not choose your own roommate, then you will receive your roommate information by the end of June (sent to your Calvin email address). Remaining housing applications will be matched and processed during June and July. All students will be sent final roommate information (name, address, phone number) along with your hall assignment at the beginning of August. You will find out your room number when you arrive in the fall, as specific room assignments sometimes change at the last minute.

What do the Resident Director and Resident Assistants do?

Each hall has non-student professional staff who live on site. They are called the Resident Directors, or “RDs.” RDs supervise the overall operation of the building, including front desk services, leadership development, out-of-classroom learning, and student conduct. Each floor has a Resident Assistant or “RA,” usually a junior or senior student, who lives on the floor and helps develop and ensure a sense of community among the residents.

Do I have to have a meal plan? What are my options?

Yes, all students who live in the residence halls are required to have a meal plan. First-year students have two meal plan options: an unlimited “Calvin Plan,” which gives you access to either dining hall whenever you want (even multiple times in a day) or block-based “Gold Plan,” which averages around 15 meals a week but with flexibility on where you can use your blocks elsewhere on Calvin’s campus. Visit the Dining Services webpage on calvin.edu for more information.
**VEHICLE INFORMATION**

**Vehicle registration**
- Vehicles are required to have a permit to park on campus.
- Registration fees for the academic year are $150 for vehicles and $40 for motorcycles and motorized scooters.
- You may register your vehicles by coming into the campus safety office or by using the online registration online (you will still have to come into our office to pick up the permit if done online).
- Temporary permits can be acquired for a daily use up to 3 weeks. The cost is $1 a day.

**Bicycle registration**
All bicycles on Calvin’s campus must be registered through the campus safety office. Registration is free and can be completed online. Registering your bicycle will help aid in the recovery of your bike should it become lost or stolen. All unregistered bikes located on campus will be confiscated.

**Getting around without a vehicle**
You can ride Grand Rapids’ public bus system, The Rapid, at a discounted rate of $0.50. To get a bus card, students can visit the Service-Learning Center or the campus safety office. Please note that the first card is free, but any lost cards will cost $20 to replace. Orange Spin bikes are available for $1/hr as well.

**Campus safety escorts**
To ensure safety when it’s dark, students can call 526-6452 and request a campus safety escort. This free service is available from dusk to dawn, and is available to and from anywhere on campus for all students, faculty, staff, and visitors. Escorts will not be given to a group of 3 or more people. Escorts are also available for medical reasons throughout the day (e.g. broken leg).

**TECHNOLOGY INFORMATION**

Students can connect their personal computers and devices to the Internet using either the wireless or wired student networks. Besides fast Internet, students will also have access to the Moodle learning management system, Office 365 communication and collaboration tools, cloud file storage, and printing. While you may bring your own computer, if you choose not to there are many labs on campus available to students. Microsoft Office is provided to all Calvin students at no cost.

**Network and Wireless**
Students can connect to the eduroam wireless network using their email address and passphrase. Need help or have questions? Stop by the Info Fair during PASSPORT or come down to the Calvin Information Technology HelpDesk on the first floor of the Hekman Library during the school year.

**Moodle**
Moodle is the online classroom management system that Calvin uses. Each professor sets up their own Moodle content.

**StudentMail**
Your StudentMail username is the username provided to you by Calvin, traditionally your initials and a number. Your passphrase is your Calvin account passphrase.

**WebPrint**
You can send documents to a Calvin printer from your personal computer with WebPrinting. This program allows you to upload documents from your personal computer (in PDF or Microsoft Word form only) and choose from a selection of on-campus printers to print your document.

For more information on technology resources and services provided to students, see [calvin.edu/go/studenttechnology](http://calvin.edu/go/studenttechnology).

**Contact Campus Safety**
safety@calvin.edu | calvin.edu/security

Emergency, 24 hours a day: 526-3333
Dispatch, 24 hours a day: 526-6452
Hours: 8 a.m.–5 p.m., Monday–Friday
Phone: (616) 526-6451
HEALTH SERVICES
Health Services is an on-campus outpatient clinic offering care to Calvin students. Our comprehensive primary care facility is able to provide care for injured or ill students and specializes in primary care, women's health, mental health, ADHD management, allergy shots, and sports medicine. Our state-of-the-art Travel Clinic provides full vaccine services for students, faculty, and staff.

The Care Team
The Care Team provides confidential patient-centered care for students who enter college with health problems or encounter issues during college. We can help students find a local specialist if needed during the academic year. We will work with out-of-town providers to collaborate care upon request. This service has provided much-needed continuity in patients with a complicated health history.

Health insurance plan
Calvin College offers an affordable health insurance plan for students who are under-insured or not already covered by an individual or parents’ insurance plan. Because the Health Services Care Team sees all students, regardless of the type of health insurance you carry, the typical visit costs are extremely low and billed to your miscellaneous account at the time of service. Insurance is billed directly. Watch for updates on our website, Parent News, or Student News.

For more information or to schedule an appointment, call Health Services at 526-6187.

Visit us at calvin.edu/health.

FINANCIAL SERVICES
Managing your college finances
• Students are responsible for coordinating the payment of their accounts.
• Students are responsible for submitting financial aid forms prior to the start of the year to the Financial Aid Office
• Students should sign up their parents/guardians online to receive emailed statements.
• Students should contact the Financial Services Office with any difficulties meeting a due date.
• Calvin College is governed by FERPA which requires students to grant permission to the college to discuss accounts with their parents.

Financial Services is happy to discuss financial issues with parents who have been signed up to receive emailed statements by their students.

Tuition, Room and Board
The Tuition, Room and Board Statement includes charges for tuition, room, board, course-related fees, and off-campus semester program charges.

Amount Due for Tuition, Room and Board
There are three due dates each semester. To calculate the amount due we take the total charges less financial aid and divide by three.

Be sure to check the Financial Services website regularly for tuition due date listings.

Statement of Fees and Miscellaneous Charges
The Statement of Fees and Miscellaneous Charges includes book purchases, parking violations, health insurance, dining service fees from Johnny’s or the Fish House, and other non-tuition related fees.

Payment of the Statement of Fees and Miscellaneous Charges is due in full on the first of each month.

Payment Method Information can be found at calvin.edu/financialservices.
**Textbook Reservations**
Avoid the long lines this fall. Reserve your new or used textbooks through the Campus Store in early August and your books will be packed and delivered to your dorm in time for the fall semester. To reserve your books, go to: [calvin.edu/go/bookstore](http://calvin.edu/go/bookstore)

**Textbook Rentals**
Renting textbooks is becoming a popular option. Calvin Campus Store offer as many titles for rent as possible. The initial cost outlay for the student can be one half to two thirds of the purchase price. Rental books must be returned by the last day of exams each semester.

**Digital Books**
Select classes are offering e-book options for their required text. These books are available for online access or download to a laptop, personal computer, iPad or iPhone. All of these format choices offer the ability to highlight, print, and add notes to the content.

**Buyback**
The campus store offers textbook buyback several times each year, specifically at the end of each academic term. The store buys back books being used again by Calvin faculty for the subsequent term at great prices (up to HALF of the new price).
Calvin College equips students to think deeply, to act justly, and to live wholeheartedly as Christ’s agents of renewal in the world.
WILDERNESS ORIENTATION: The most amazing and beneficial introduction to college life possible.

Share an amazing and memorable adventure in a remarkable wilderness setting. Learn wilderness skills, participate in service-learning, reflect on God’s kingdom, live in intentional community, and leave having made meaningful and lasting relationships.

For more detailed information, visit our website at calvin.edu/orientation.

2019 TRIP OPTIONS

Aug. 2–7
Northern Michigan Base Camp Adventure

Aug. 19–27
Lake Superior Provincial Park Backpacking
North Channel Kayaking & Climbing
Northern Michigan Adventure—Paddle, Pack, and Pedal
Northwestern Michigan Beach and Bike
Red River Gorge Rock Climbing

REGISTER IN THE NEXT 24 HOURS AND RECEIVE $50 OFF THE TOTAL COST.
WE’LL SEE YOU AT QUEST
August 29–September 1

What is QUEST?
QUEST is the second phase of your orientation to Calvin College. A 3-day program, QUEST’s goal is to both inform you of and help you live out Calvin’s vision of being an “agent of renewal” in academics, church, and society.

What should I expect at QUEST?
Be excited to walk, sweat, sit, and talk as you serve people in your community, meet tons of fellow new Calvin students, watch dramas and videos, and dance the night away. Above all, get ready to be challenged to make this new college experience the very best that it can be!

What do I need to do?
As long as you’re enrolled—nothing! We will be sending you more details as the date draws nearer, so keep an eye on your email inbox.

THANK YOU FOR JOINING US!
We look forward to seeing you again on Thursday, August 29 for move-in, Convocation, and our family cookout on Commons Lawn. Until then, God bless!

QUEST MOVE-IN SCHEDULE

Wednesday, August 28
Opening evening .................. 6 p.m.

Thursday, August 29
Move into residence halls . 8–11:30 a.m.
Meet Your Major ................. 3 p.m.
Convocation ..................... 4:30 p.m.
QUEST family cookout ...... 5:30 p.m.
Farewell to parents .......... 6:15 p.m.
QUEST begins ............... 6:30 p.m.

Friday–Sunday
QUEST program .... 9 a.m.–3:30 p.m.
Evening activities ............. 6:30 p.m.

Monday, September 2
Optional Labor Day events
Residence hall activities .. 4:30 p.m.

Tuesday, September 3
Classes begin .............. 8 a.m.
Why New Student Orientation? When a student enrolls at Calvin, they’re starting a journey. It’s a journey that pursues truth and knowledge with ultimate purpose of renewing the world for Christ.

It’s a journey that many have gone on before. Calvin has been transforming students for 141 years, and your student is joining that rich tradition. Even our New Student Orientation logo gives homage to our history—the dashes in the rings of the compass represent the notes of our alma mater.

But we realize for you, it’s your unique journey. New Student Orientation will serve as a beginning mark—a space for you to learn and be oriented to our community. We hope you leave New Student Orientation with an understanding of our rich community life and an excitement for the new journey students are embarking on.