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The top academic areas of study at Goshen College are nursing, biology and molecular biology/biochemistry, and business and accounting.



# Goshen College

## DEVELOPING GLOBAL CITIZENS IN MAPLE CITY

“We seek to integrate Jesus-centered values with the educational, social and professional lives of our graduates. As a community of faith and learning, we strive to foster personal, intellectual, spiritual and social growth in every person.”

– James E. Brenneman  
president, Goshen College

Sustainability has a major emphasis at Goshen College, which is a Tree Campus USA school (a program of the Arbor Day Foundation) and has been named one of America’s Greenest Colleges.

### Goshen College 101

- Established in 1894, it’s a four-year liberal arts school
- 135-acre campus with 19 major buildings
- College motto: “Culture for Service”; mascot: Maple Leafs (from Goshen’s Maple City designation)
- Affiliated with the Mennonite Church USA; more than 40 religious denominations are represented

### Studying statistics

- 773 undergraduate and 66 graduate students from 31 states and 26 countries
- Tuition is \$30,900 (2015-16) and the average annual scholarship/grant package is \$22,641; the college provided more than \$5 million in financial aid for Elkhart County students in 2015
- Employs more than 300 people, with a payroll above \$10 million

### Head of the class

Goshen College boasts accomplished alumni, including authors, entertainers, entrepreneurs and more. Here are a few – of many – notable alums:

- Orië Eigsti (1931) – biologist credited with developing the seedless watermelon
- Steve Kreider Yoder (1981) – senior editor, Page One for *The Wall Street Journal*
- James C. Strouse (1999) – award-winning independent filmmaker, writer and director

### Nature and nurture

- The Merry Lea Environmental Learning Center is a 1,189-acre natural sanctuary.
- Several semester-long programs and an 11-month master’s degree in environmental education are offered
- The school’s May Term gives students access to a biology laboratory located in the Florida Keys to conduct high-quality marine systems research

### Time-honored tradition

“At the beginning of each academic year, following the opening convocation, faculty, staff and students welcome our new students by creating an ‘applause tunnel’ as we exit the building. The same applause tunnel provides a beautiful sending off of our new graduates as they leave the commencement ceremony.”

