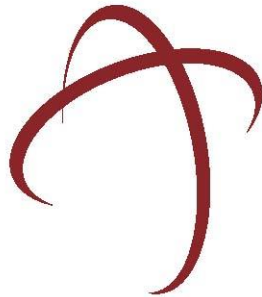


# 2013 COLLEGE GRADUATE SURVEY REPORT



**CALVARY**  
BIBLE COLLEGE & THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY  
LOCAL TOUCH. GLOBAL REACH

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SUBJECT: 2013 Calvary Graduate Survey

The following report is the results of the 2013 College Graduate Survey. The survey was distributed to graduating senior prior to commencement. A total of 36 graduates submitted surveys. These results are provided so that they may be incorporated to guide decision making for institutional and departmental changes, and for use in 2013 department assessments.

The report consists of three sections. The first is a quantitative section where students provided information on their post-graduation plans and rated their satisfaction with aspects of Calvary life on a 5-point Likert Scale. The second section is written comments by the students regarding the institution.

The third section concerns Indicators of Student Achievement and Institutional Performance ABHE Compliance, satisfying a condition of eligibility within the ABHE.

Unedited copies of the 2013 College Graduate Survey Report will be given to the President's Cabinet. An edited version will be distributed to the Dean's Department, the Retention Committee, and the Outcomes and Assessment Committee. The edited version of the report will also be placed on shared files for use by all departments and committees.

For raw data or more detailed information, please contact the Institutional Research Office at extension 1322.

Signed,

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**GRADUATE DEBT RESPONSES:**

Average debt per respondent:	\$13,600
Of those graduating with debt, average debt load:	\$28,800
Number of students responding with debt:	17
Number of students responding with \$0 Debt:	15
Number of students declining to respond:	4

**POST GRADUATION PLANS**

Pursue travel:	2
Pursue additional education:	16
Pursue non-employment activities (marriage, volunteer opportunities, etc):	9
Pursue employment in my vocational or professional field:	14
Pursue employment based on location, compensation, or other reasons than by vocational or professional field:	10
Already in my vocational or professional field:	6

**EMPLOYMENT PLANS:**

Plan to continue working in the same job I had prior to completing this education program:	4
I plan to work in a new job:	23
I do not plan to work outside the home:	1
I have not yet formulated my employment plans:	2
Other:	6

**EMPLOYMENT RELATION TO MAJOR:**

Directly related:	20
Somewhat related:	9
Not related at all:	6

**PLANS FOR ADDITIONAL EDUCATION:**

None at this time:	16
Yes, I plan to re-enroll at Calvary:	11
Yes, I plan to enroll at another institution:	5
Yes, I have enrolled at another institution:	1
I am currently undecided about any additional education:	5

**HIGHEST DEGREE POTENTIALLY SOUGHT:**

Bachelor's Degree	4
Master's Degree	17
Master of Divinity	3
Specialist's Degree	0
Professional Degree	3
Academic Doctoral	5

**RANKING OF CALVARY AMONG COLLEGE CHOICES  
AT TIME OF ENTRY:**

1 <sup>st</sup> Choice:	28
2 <sup>nd</sup> Choice:	5
3 <sup>rd</sup> Choice:	1
4 <sup>th</sup> Choice:	2

**Primary Reasons for Attending Calvary:**

Calvary offered the program(s) I wanted:	20
Convenient location:	13
Good academic reputation:	6
Good spiritual reputation:	16
Low cost of attending:	16
Good chance of personal success:	2
Liked the spiritual atmosphere:	11
Liked the social atmosphere:	6
Availability of scholarship or financial aid:	4
Advice of parents:	8
Advice of high school personnel:	0
Advice of pastor:	5
Wanted to be with friends:	1
Other: <sup>1</sup>	7

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<sup>1</sup> The majority of the "Other" reasons were Calvary's acceptance of transfer credits.

	<b>Service or Activity</b>	<b>2013<sup>2</sup></b>		<b>2012</b>	<b>2011</b>	<b>2010</b>	<b>2009</b>
22	Admissions Department	4.42	B+	4.44	3.51	3.52	3.37
23	Registrar	4.31	B	4.31	2.89	3.11	3.38
25	Academic Advising	4.34	B+	4.45	3.15	3.44	2.70
26	The Learning Center	4.29	B	4.63	3.66	3.69	2.35
27	Intercollegiate Athletics Programs	4.08	B-	4.00	3.08	3.00	0.85
28	Recreational Activities	3.47	D+	3.37	2.92	2.36	1.43
29	Financial Aid Office	4.09	B-	3.84	2.81	2.57	2.52
35	Dining Hall	4.22	B	4.15	3.08	2.74	1.87
37	The Library	4.24	B	4.51	3.38	3.38	3.10
39	“The Point”	4.56	A-	5.33	3.35	3.25	3.08
40	Campus Security	4.21	B	4.48	3.44	3.10	2.88
41	Billing and Payment Procedures	4.26	B	4.00	2.91	2.70	2.70
43	Internet Service	3.27	D	3.66	2.80	2.70	2.20
46	The Student Radio Station (Calvary 1640)	3.67	C	3.69	2.95	1.09	0.87
47	Chapel	4.11	B-	3.79	2.97	2.43	1.87
48	Biblical Counseling Center	4.43	B+	4.14	3.05	3.05	0.45
49	Student Dean’s Department	3.75	C	4.38	2.97	2.83	2.15
50	Non-Traditional Studies Office	4.67	A	4.53	3.56	3.68	3.20
51	Music Programs (Choir, Evidence, His Song, etc.)	4.44	B+	4.58	3.41	3.48	1.55
52	Theatre Department	4.50	A-	4.50	3.50	3.15	1.43

	<b>Aspect of Calvary</b>	<b>2013</b>		<b>2012</b>	<b>2011</b>	<b>2010</b>	<b>2009</b>
56	Testing and grading system	4.26	B	4.43	3.14	3.37	3.13
57	Quality of instruction in your major area of study	4.69	A	4.53	3.47	3.37	3.38
58	Out-of-class availability of your instructors	4.60	A-	4.61	3.25	3.50	3.43
59	Attitude of faculty toward students	4.66	A-	4.80	3.64	3.76	3.60
60	Variety of courses offered	4.30	B	4.37	3.28	3.18	3.17
62	Preparation for future occupation	4.43	B+	4.25	3.17	3.26	2.92
63	The general registration process (including online registration)	4.43	B+	4.43	3.20	3.44	3.33
65	Concern for you as an individual	4.66	A-	4.69	3.39	3.57	3.42

<sup>2</sup> Grading Scale Cutoffs: 96.67 = A+ | 93.33 = A | 90 = A- | B+ = 86.67 | B = 83.33 | B- = 80 | C+ = 76.67 | C = 73.33 | C- = 70 | D+ = 66.67 | D = 63.33 | D- = 60 | F = 0

66	Attitude of non-teaching staff toward students	4.51	A-	4.31	3.36	3.35	3.40
67	Opportunities for student employment.	4.31	B	3.98	3.09	2.48	2.57
71	Claims Calvary made / makes about its programs and services (i.e., did Calvary deliver what it promised)	4.34	B+	4.02	3.25	3.11	3.22
72	Theological distinctives of Calvary	4.63	A-	4.55	3.51	3.44	3.43

	Source of Funding <sup>3</sup>	2013 <sup>4</sup>		2012	2011	2010	2009
97	Parents, relatives or friends	2.62	52.35%	3.18	2.81	2.40	2.00
98	Employment while attending school	3.06	61.29%	3.33	2.68	3.08	1.97
99	Summer employment	2.97	59.33%	3.18	2.27	2.74	1.97
100	Personal savings	2.90	58.06%	3.19	2.58	2.83	2.17
101	Spouse's income	1.75	35%	1.95	1.27	1.60	0.72
102	Social Security Benefits	1.17	23.48%	1.33	1.22	1.05	0.37
103	Veterans' Benefits	1.14	22.73%	1.71	1.31	1.30	0.55
104	Educational Grants (Pell, Private, etc)	3.59	71.72%	3.59	2.58	3.09	2.38
105	Scholarships – from Calvary	2.67	53.33%	2.57	2.20	2.10	1.47
106	Scholarships – other sources (Private, Federal, etc)	2.00	40%	2.00	2.04	1.69	0.97
107	Loans (Student Loans, Bank Loans, etc)	3.07	61.33%	3.91	2.78	2.84	1.78
108	Reimbursement by employer	1.41	28.18%	1.35	1.28	1.09	0.87
109	Other	0.80	16%	2.00	2.56	0.80	0.10

	Experience at Calvary	2013			2011	2010	2009
111	Academic requirements for my coursework at Calvary were about right.	4.47	B+	4.41	3.23	3.29	3.15

<sup>3</sup> A great many respondents appear to have marked "1" instead of leaving the line blank to indicate they did not use a particular source of funding. Recommend including a "0" for all sections of the survey for consistency and to alleviate user error.

<sup>4</sup> Percentage indicates the average reliance of the all respondents upon that particular form of funding, on a scale of 1 to 5, 1 being Very Little and 5 being Very Much. Higher percentage equals greater reliance within the cohort.

112	My education and related experiences (Christian Ministries and other activities) prepared me to minister in my area of study.	4.31	B	4.25	3.23	3.29	3.38
113	If I could start college or graduate school over, I would choose to attend Calvary.	4.50	B	4.31	3.12	2.90	3.23
114	If I could start college or graduate school over, I would select the same major area of study.	4.44	B+	4.12	3.10	3.39	2.85
115	My college education has improved my quality of life.	4.78	A	4.59	3.54	3.55	2.90

**INDICATORS OF STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT AND  
INSTITUTIONAL PERFORMANCE  
ABHE COMPLIANCE**

All institutions must publicize graduation rates, and employment rates of recent graduates in program related occupations (Condition of Eligibility #6, catalog). Institutions may select and publish other measures of student achievement or institutional effectiveness to satisfy Standard 2a, Essential Element 7 and Standard 2b, Essential Element 8.

**Graduation Rates:**

**Fall 2009 First Time Freshman Cohort**

- Completions in 100% (4 yrs): 40.63%

**Fall 2008 First Time Freshman Cohort**

- Completions in 100% (4 yrs): 28.57%

**Fall 2007 First Time Freshman Cohort**

- Completions in 100% (4 yrs): 36.67%
- Completions in 150% (6 yrs): 46.67%

**Fall 2006 First Time Freshman Cohort**

- Completions in 100% (4 yrs): 32.56%
- Completions in 150% (6 yrs): 46.51%

**Employment in Program Related Occupations**

The Alumni Office sent a survey to the one- and five-year graduates in August 2013.

Of **143** surveys sent out, **29** were returned.

Graduates were asked to identify how much their education at Calvary contributed to their personal growth in the following area: (1 = Very Little Contribution, 5 = Much Contribution)

**Understanding emerging philosophies and being able to biblically confront them:**

**4.07** average of 29 responses

**Operating effectively in the world:**

**3.89** average of 29 responses

**Effectively relating to others:**

**4.14** average of 29 responses

Also according to this survey (of the ones reporting):

- **12** alumni (**41%**) say their current job is **directly related** to their major area of study at Calvary;
- **5** alumni (**17%**) say their current job is **somewhat related** to their major area of study at Calvary;
- **11** alumni (**37%**) say their current job is **not at all related** to their major area of study at Calvary.