5.A. We seek to foster academic work that serves the Reformed church and the broader church throughout the world.

5.A.1. We will serve as a center for intellectual vibrancy within the Reformed tradition.
   - Provide support for explicitly Reformed scholarship that speaks to a wider audience.
   - Maintain a strong Calvin Worldview Lectureship.
   - Centers and institutes will be intentional about producing scholarly work that serves the church.

5.A.2. We will work with Calvin Theological Seminary to develop a master’s degree program in philosophical theology.

5.A.3. We will support academic programs of immediate relevance to the congregational life of the church, such as the youth ministry minor, worship program, social research related to congregational life, theological leadership, and so on.

5.A.4. We will seek synergy between our international connections and the global presence of our supporting churches.

5.B. We will partner with local city groups, agencies, and businesses for learning and service.

5.B.1. We will maintain support for community-based research, especially research that involves students.

5.B.2. We will enhance support for intentional living arrangements in the city.

5.B.3. We will foster stronger partnerships with other colleges and universities in Grand Rapids.

5.B.4. We will foster strong partnerships with for-profit and non-profit organizations that support student and faculty work.

5.B.5. We will develop and enhance the college’s network of accountability agents within ethnic minority communities.
5.C. **We will be a valued partner of other colleges and universities both in this country and around the world.**

5.C.1. We will continue strong partnerships with other Reformed colleges and universities.

5.C.2. We will develop and share resources related to the theory and practice of Christian higher education.

5.C.3. We will support faculty in their work with international partners.

5.D. **We will expand our networks of alumni and parents and strengthen their investment in the mission of the college.**

5.D.1. We will communicate the importance of alumni and parents to the campus community through creative communication and on-campus welcome.

5.D.2. We will provide opportunities for alumni and parents worldwide to be involved in a variety of educational and service partnerships with academic departments and college offices.

5.D.3. We will develop new ways for alumni and parents worldwide to experience Calvin through internet technologies.

5.D.4. We will challenge alumni and parents to become more deeply involved and invested in the college.