

Foreword

The Office of Assessment and Institutional Research is pleased to present the **Calvin College Data Book, 2005-2006**, the first edition of this publication. Our goal is to continue publishing data books on an annual basis, while also completing editions for the four years prior to this edition.

This book is intended as a single, readily accessible, consistent source of information about the Calvin College community, its resources, and its operations. It is a summary of institutional data gathered from many areas of the college, compiled to capture the 2005-06 Fiscal and Academic Year.

Where appropriate, multiple years of data are provided for historical perspective. Any data which does not pertain only to the 2005-2006 academic year has been labeled to indicate the period reflected. This data book is not all encompassing but will provide pertinent facts and figures valuable to administrators, faculty, staff, students, and friends of the college alike. A concerted effort is made to make this publication an increasingly more useful reference, at the same time enhancing your understanding of the scope and progress of the college. We welcome your comments and suggestions toward these goals.

This data book is available in its entirety at <http://www.calvin.edu/admin/provost/dbook>, and will soon be joined by editions for both future and past years.