

Self-study team visits Calvary

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Calvary's self-study will be reviewed this week by a Middle States Commission on Higher Education (MSCHE) team of representatives from regionally-accredited institutions. The MSCHE team will arrive in Lansdale on Sunday afternoon, March 29th, 2009, and will begin their visit by meeting with several members of the CBTS self-study committee for dinner. The team will conduct its on-site review on Monday and Tuesday and is scheduled on Wednesday to present the seminary with their initial impressions of their visit.

The Middle States Evaluation Team is comprised of team chair Dr. Wayne McCown (Northeastern Seminary), Dr. Patricia Coward (Canisius College), Dr. Ellen F. Falduto (The College of Wooster), and Dr. Lucy Lind Hogan (Wesley Theological Seminary). During their visit, the team members will be meeting with the seminary administration, trustees, faculty, and students in order to get a broad and representative perspective of the seminary's mission and educational activities.

The evaluation team visit marks the achievement of the seminary's multi-year effort to submit a self-study report to MSCHE and complete the final stage of its application for accreditation. The purpose for the team's visit is to review the seminary's self-study document and assess how well the seminary is aligned with MSCHE's accreditation standards. The seminary's self-study report, detailing the results, analyses, and recommendations from the self-study process, is available on the seminary website.