

ADMISSION POLICIES

Admission to the University

Los Angeles Pacific University is committed to lifelong learning and accessibility to higher education. LAPU invites applications from students who have a passion to learn and to make a difference in the world. Applicants must abide by the policies, standards, and regulations at LAPU and respect the ideals, principles, and traditions it upholds as a Christian institution of higher learning. The university reserves the right to refuse, deny, and/or revoke admission to anyone who violates the LAPU Student Code of Conduct or any other LAPU policies and procedures, which apply to both applicants for admission and enrolled students. Additionally, applicants are expected to engage professionally and respectfully with admissions staff and to comply with all post-application and/or pre-enrollment procedures, including, but not necessarily limited to, responding to requests for information or other documentation in a timely manner. Failure to do so may also give rise to refusal, denial, or revocation of admission to LAPU.

To be eligible for admission to LAPU, students must submit a graduate application, and an official transcript that demonstrates evidence of completion of a bachelor's degree or higher with a 3.0 grade point average on a 4.0 scale from a college or university accredited by an organization recognized by the U.S. Department of Education and the Council for Higher Education Accreditation. If the cumulative GPA is less than 3.0, the most recent 30 graded semester credits (or 45 quarter credits) will be evaluated to satisfy the graduate entrance requirement. These 30 graded credits completed will be utilized for a GPA calculation which must equal or exceed 3.0. The last 30 graded credits from an accredited university must be baccalaureate, post-baccalaureate, or credentialed courses. Provisional admittance may be granted to individuals who do not meet the minimum GPA requirement.

Additional admissions documents specific to the student's graduate program of choice may be required. Please refer to the program's section in the LAPU Academic Catalog or speak to an enrollment counselor.

Students completing an undergraduate degree at LAPU may be admitted as a graduate student no earlier than the start of the semester following their bachelor's degree conferral.

For all programs, admission is not guaranteed, and LAPU reserves the right to deny admission.

LAPU does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, gender, age, disability, socioeconomic status, or status as a veteran.

Admissions Petition

Two circumstances require applicants to submit an admissions petition: applicants dismissed from LAPU or from another school, and applicants whose GPA falls significantly below the admission minimum (3.0).

- Applicants dismissed from LAPU or other academic institutions must submit an Admissions Petition addressing the dismissal(s).
- Applicants with a GPA below 3.0 must submit an Admissions Petition if requested.

The Admissions Committee will review the petition and may request additional documentation before reaching a final decision; the student will be notified of the committee's decision to approve or deny the request.

Please contact your enrollment counselor for specific instructions.

Admission Status

- **Regular**
Applicants granted regular admission to the university are fully accepted without restriction and are considered to be in good standing. They are permitted to continue in this classification as long as they maintain a satisfactory GPA (3.0) and continue to meet the general standards established by the university for admission and graduation.
- **Provisional**
Applicants granted provisional admission are fully accepted, but are required to achieve a status of good standing by the end of their second term of enrollment to continue taking courses in the program.
- **Conditional**
Applicants granted conditional admission are accepted through the 10th calendar day of the term period. This status is revocable if all remaining admission requirements are not completed by Noon PT on the 10th calendar day.

Policy Regarding False Information

Students are advised that admission is contingent upon the truthfulness of the information contained in the application. Discovery of false information after admission is, at the university's discretion, grounds for immediate dismissal at any point in the student's course of study. Such dismissal shall result in forfeiture of all charges paid and academic credits earned. The full fraudulent records policy may be obtained from the Office of the Registrar.

Transcripts

Applicants are responsible for submitting an official transcript from the college or university from which they received their most recent baccalaureate or higher degree that is accredited by one of the following accrediting bodies:

- Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities
- Higher Learning Commission
- WASC Senior College and University Commission
- Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges
- Middle States Commission on Higher Education
- New England Commission of Higher Education

or by an organization recognized by the U.S. Department of Education and the Council for Higher Education Accreditation. An official transcript is one that LAPU receives through the authorized electronic transcript submission process or unopened in an envelope sealed by the issuing institution(s) that bears the official seal of that school. LAPU reserves the right to request that the transcript be sent directly from the issuing institution(s).

The transcript and other documents submitted as part of the application become the property of the university and cannot be returned to the student or forwarded in any form to another college or university.

Applicants submitting secondary school certifications must have those documents translated by an approved translation and evaluation company (please refer to the "Transfer Applicants (<https://catalog.lapu.edu/undergrad/admission/#transferworktext>)" section).

Evidence of Proficiency

There are no required pre-admission tests for applicants to Los Angeles Pacific University.

International Admission

Currently, Los Angeles Pacific University only accepts international students (1) through formal partnerships with other universities or organizations or (2) who are eligible to receive U.S. federal student aid and have a Social Security number. See Partnerships (<https://catalog.lapu.edu/ascend-grad/info/partnerships/>) for a list of current partnerships. An international student is defined as any individual not holding permanent U.S. residency or citizenship.

All applicants who are not participants in a formal LPU international partnership and are not U.S. citizens are required to submit current and unexpired documentation of permanent U.S. residency to determine admissions eligibility. For an admission and acceptance decision into a particular session to be made, the verification documents submitted must be valid (not expired) for the full duration of the semester. Please contact your enrollment counselor for specific instructions and a full list of approved verification documents.

Notification of Admission

Los Angeles Pacific University follows a procedure of rolling admission, which means that a prospective student may submit a completed application at any time. Submitting an application for a specific start term does not guarantee admission or acceptance for that term.