



CALIFORNIA LUTHERAN UNIVERSITY

GRADUATE PROGRAMS



International Students



WELCOME TO CALIFORNIA

The 4th Largest Economy in the World

Study in the state famous for cutting-edge innovation in industries from technology to entertainment. California's diverse landscape offers you so much to explore including beautiful beaches, snow-capped mountains, sequoia redwood forests, beautiful desert vistas and world-class wine regions.

San Francisco

Pacific Ocean



SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

Anchored by Los Angeles: One of the World's Most Diverse Cities

Sunny Southern California has it all — and California Lutheran University is in the heart of it. Our proximity to Los Angeles (pictured left) gives you access to world-class entertainment and cultural attractions, beautiful Pacific Ocean beaches and internships with leading brands.

Santa Barbara

California Lutheran University
Thousand Oaks

Los Angeles

San Diego



THOUSAND OAKS

Rated One of the Safest Cities in the U.S.

Cal Lutheran's main campus (pictured left) is located in the city of Thousand Oaks, which is conveniently situated between Los Angeles and Santa Barbara. Many leading bio-tech firms, lending institutions and insurance companies are headquartered in or near our campus.



> Scan this QR code for a virtual tour of the campus.



Our Location by the Numbers

- 20** Km inland from the Pacific Ocean
- 64** Km from downtown Los Angeles
- 90** Number of hectares of main campus
- 200⁺** Km of hiking trails close by
- 300⁺** Days of sunshine

Average Temperature Ranges

- 18-30°C Summer months
- 7-29°C Winter months

CAL LUTHERAN GRADUATE PROGRAMS SUPPORT YOUR SUCCESS

Small Class Sizes

Most of our classes have fewer than 20 students, so you receive personal attention and time with your professors. Your classmates, both American and fellow international students, engage in discussion and work together on group projects to build skills you can immediately apply to the workplace.

Exceptional Faculty with Real-World Experience

Gain valuable industry experience and networking contacts from our faculty, including many who are working as high-ranking professionals in California companies.

Accelerated Study in Practice-Based Programs

A majority of our graduate programs can be completed in 12 months of full-time study. In our rigorous and comprehensive programs, you receive a strong theoretical base combined with relevant, real-world experience. Many programs offer a choice of emphasis and specialty areas as well as professional internships.

Great Value from a Highly Ranked University

California Lutheran University is ranked in the top 10 as a Best Master's Granting University and a Best Value School in the Western United States*. Our programs are affordable and have a proven track record of helping students achieve their professional goals.

*US News, 2023

A Welcoming and Diverse Community

Cal Lutheran is a community that celebrates the many cultural backgrounds our students represent. You are part of a safe campus and community environment in Thousand Oaks, with the extensive resources of nearby Los Angeles' vast multicultural populations.

On- and Off-Campus Housing Assistance

Modern, apartment-style housing is available on campus, offering a cost-effective living option with utilities and high-speed internet included in the cost. Your admissions counselor can provide details about both on- and off-campus housing opportunities.



Important Cal Lutheran Facts

17 Number of students in an average class size

3,615 Total number of students

100+ Student clubs and organizations

65+ Countries (other than U.S.) and regions represented



California Lutheran University is:

- Designated a Hispanic-Serving Institution by the U.S. Department of Education
- Accredited by The Western Association of Schools and Colleges Commission

UTILIZE FREE, PROFESSIONAL CAREER SERVICES

On-on-One Career Counseling

Work with a career counselor to create the best résumé, be the most memorable candidate and negotiate for a top salary.

Online Resources for International Job Searches

- **UniWorld:** Offers thousands of employer records, both international and domestic; searches can be done based on country
- **GoinGlobal:** Offers career guides for dozens of countries, a database of Department of Labor approved work VISAs, and a job board specifically for international student jobs

Free Workshops (a sample)

- U.S. Job Search for International Students
- Marketing U: How to Create an Epic Résumé
- Where are all the Jobs? Tapping into the Hidden Job Market
- Interview Like a Pro
- Know Your Worth: How to Negotiate the Best Salary

Annual Career and Internship Expo

Exposure to more than 100 companies from a variety of industries who attend each year.

Lifetime Benefits

You can use Cal Lutheran's valuable support services after you graduate and throughout your career.



Leading Companies Hire Our Graduates

- Anthem Blue Cross and Defense Group
- Accenture
- Aerojet Rocketdyne
- Amazon
- Amgen
- Apple
- Bank of America
- Dell Technologies
- Deloitte Consulting
- Farmers Insurance
- General Dynamics
- General Motors
- Google
- IBM
- J.P. Morgan Chase & Co.
- JD Power and Associates
- PennyMac Loan Services, LLC
- Louis Vuitton
- Microsoft
- Milgard Windows and Doors
- Moog Space
- NASA Jet Propulsion Laboratory
- Naval Sea Systems Command
- Nokia
- Northrop Grumman Corporation
- Panavision
- Pratt & Whitney Rocketdyne
- Pfizer
- Raytheon Intelligence & Space
- SAGE Publications
- Salesforce
- The Walt Disney Company
- Token Insight
- UCLA Health
- US Bureau of Labor Statistics



- Hundreds of other businesses, psychology counseling firms, K-12 schools and universities



APPLY FOR ADMISSION

California Lutheran University carefully considers each application and reviews all supporting material to make prompt and informed admission decisions.

Language Proficiency Requirements

- Duolingo 120
- TOEFL 88
- IELTS 6.5
- PTE 58

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Scan this code to review additional admission requirements, tuition costs and other important details for each of the programs featured on pages 8 to 11.



Application Requirement

- **Online application**, including \$25 application fee
- **Official transcripts and degree certificates** or certified true copies in English of all college and university records sent directly from each institution to CLU. Students may be required to complete an official transcript evaluation including GPA equivalence and course-by-course listing.
- **TOEFL, IELTS, GMAT or GRE exam scores** if taken. Although not always required, Cal Lutheran reserves the right to request these scores to assist in admission decisions.
- **Personal Statement**
- **Two letters of recommendation** from community leaders, business professionals or professors, sent directly to Cal Lutheran or submitted with the application.
- **Financial Responsibility Statement** or official bank statement
- **Copy of passport** information page

Conditional Admission

Cal Lutheran grants conditional admission to applicants to complete an approved English language program and qualify for an English exam waiver. Cal Lutheran partners with ELS Language Centers, which has centers across the U.S., including two in California.





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STUDYING AT CAL LUTHERAN HELPED ME ACHIEVE MANY OF MY PROFESSIONAL GOALS. I HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO GAIN HANDS-ON EXPERIENCE THROUGH INTERNSHIPS, RESEARCH PROJECTS AND EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING, WHICH WAS VITAL IN PREPARING ME FOR THE WORKFORCE, ESPECIALLY IN THE GOVERNMENT SECTOR. THIS ALSO ALLOWED ME TO DEVELOP SPECIALIZED EXPERTISE IN MY FIELD OF CHOICE.

“ PROFESSORS ARE VERY KNOWLEDGEABLE AND THE SMALL CLASSES ALLOW FOR A MORE PERSONALIZED LEARNING EXPERIENCE.

THE CAL LUTHERAN COMMUNITY IS WELCOMING, INCLUSIVE, DIVERSE AND SUPPORTIVE, PROVIDING STUDENTS WITH A SAFE ENVIRONMENT TO LEARN AND GROW. THE CAMPUS IS BEAUTIFUL AND WELL-MAINTAINED, WITH STATE-OF-THE-ART FACILITIES AND RESOURCES.



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CAL LUTHERAN IS A HIGHLY RANKED UNIVERSITY LOCATED IN THE BUSINESS HUB OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AND PROVIDES A DIVERSIFIED STUDY ENVIRONMENT FOR STUDENTS FROM DIFFERENT COUNTRIES TO STUDY THE EXCHANGE OF IDEAS TOGETHER. THE DIVERSITY CAL LUTHERAN OFFERED MAKES IT EASY FOR ME TO WORK WITH PEOPLE GLOBALLY IN A FORTUNE 500 COMPANY. THE PROFESSORS ARE VERY PROFESSIONAL, SUPPORTIVE AND PATIENT, AND THE CAMPUS IS VERY BEAUTIFUL.

SCHOOL OF MANAGEMENT GRADUATE PROGRAMS

The School of Management is accredited by The Accreditation Council for Business Schools and Programs (ACBSP), the premiere accreditation body for teaching-focused business schools — placing us in the top tier of business schools in the nation. The school is also a member of the United Nations-supported Principles for Responsible Management Education (PRIME).

Our academic research centers include:

- **Center for Economic Research and Forecasting**, recognized as a top university-based center by the *Wall Street Journal*, the National Association of Business Economics and the TFE Times.
- **Steven Dorfman Center for Innovation and Entrepreneurship**, offering the community startup space Hub 101, an entrepreneur-in-residence program and incubator grants for early startups.
- **Center for Economics of Social Issues**, which collects data and provides extensive resources to explore the intersection of economics and important community issues.

> Learn more about our management graduate programs



MBA

LENGTH 1 - 2 years

START Fall, Winter, Spring, Summer

Our MBA courses are taught by leading scholars and industry-embedded professionals. The business theory you learn is put into practice through group projects, internships and collaboration with local organizations and businesses. Our rigorous curriculum can be customized to your career goals, with the option of a concentration in one of six specialty areas:

- Finance
- Marketing
- IT Management
- International Business
- Enterprise Innovation and Entrepreneurship
- Human Capital Management

Executive MBA

LENGTH 18 months

START Fall

Our program is designed for successful, career-minded people striving to excel at peak performance. The curriculum emphasizes teamwork and provides exclusive networking opportunities. You are coached by a professional mentor chosen for you based on your industry and professional goals. In this flexible hybrid program, during each eight-week term you and your cohort of student peers take one online and one in-person course that meets over two weekends.



MS in Management (STEM)

LENGTH 1 year

START Fall, Winter, Spring, Summer

For those with a nonbusiness background who want to advance professionally, this STEM-designated program builds the management skills to increase your market competitiveness. You study a cross-section of subjects, including accounting, economics and financial strategy, with an emphasis on operational leadership and interpersonal communication. Upon completion, you can earn an MBA with as few as four additional courses.



MS in Information Technology (STEM)

LENGTH 1 - 2 years

START Fall, Winter, Spring, Summer

Our STEM-designated technology program prepares you to be a strong technical leader who can effectively plan, design, implement and manage IT-enabled organizational change. You work with the latest technologies, such as Hadoop, R, Tableau, SQL and Python. And you can customize the curriculum to best suit your career goals, choosing from a general track or one of three specialties offered in information technology management, data analytics and cybersecurity.

MS in Quantitative Economics (STEM)

LENGTH 1 year

START Fall

Our STEM designated MS in Quantitative Economics is rated one of the leading economic forecasting programs in the country. Working with faculty from Cal Lutheran's prestigious Center for Economic Research and Forecasting (CERF), you master the skills necessary to become an astute economic analyst, including understanding of economic theory, model building, data collection and forecasting. CERF is highly awarded for its accuracy in forecasting and serves as a laboratory for your coursework and assignments.

Master in Public Policy and Administration

LENGTH 18 months - 2 years

START Fall, Winter, Spring, Summer

This program offers the combined focus of creating policy and managing it for the public good, building a versatile skill set for those interested in leading public-facing efforts for government, government agencies, non-for-profits, think tanks and the private sector. Your classes are combined with in-depth fieldwork through group projects assisting local governments and agencies. The Sacramento Policy Institute offers the opportunity for formal meetings with state lawmakers, lobbyists, think tanks and media influencing the world's largest subnational economy.

GRADUATE SCHOOL OF PSYCHOLOGY PROGRAMS



Master of Science in Clinical Psychology

LENGTH 2 years

START Fall

Our clinical psychology program combines a focus on pioneering research techniques with extensive training in clinical practices. Built on the scientist-practitioner model and open, reproducible science values, the program helps you develop expert skill in using the R statistical programming language to analyze data and engage in practical, science-based problem solving. Students in this program often continue their graduate studies in a doctoral program.

Master of Science in Counseling Psychology

LENGTH 2 years

START Fall

Students in the counseling psychology program work toward licensure as a marriage and family therapist. In our onsite, state-of-the-art community counseling centers, you work with a diverse client population to earn required practicum hours. Specializations offer a more intensive level of study in areas such as psychological trauma and attachment theory.

Doctorate in Clinical Psychology

LENGTH 5 years (includes one year of internship)

START Fall

In our APA-accredited PsyD program, students study and practice the theory of science-based cognitive behavior. The rigorous curriculum includes an embedded dissertation to ensure a timely completion. Your three years of practicum are done at our onsite community counseling center and at regional community partner sites. Our students often earn their first-choice placements for the required fifth-year internship.

> Learn more about our psychology graduate programs



GRADUATE SCHOOL OF EDUCATION PROGRAMS

Master of Science in Counseling and College Student Personnel

LENGTH 3 years

START Fall

Those interested in furthering their career in counseling and educational support services in the college/university setting are well served by this program. The curriculum requires extensive practicum and field placements and offers professional mentorship. Projects and assignments focus on building skills to effectively work with diverse student populations.

Ed.D. in Higher Education Leadership

LENGTH 3 years

START Summer

Our doctorate program is for college and university administrators seeking a flexible curriculum to further their career in student affairs, academic leadership, institutional advancement, enrollment, athletics or institutional assessment. We offer a convenient, hybrid program with the dissertation built into the process for close faculty mentoring and a timely completion.



> [Learn more about our education graduate programs](#)



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