



Prospective Student FAQ

How are the East & West coast campuses different from one another?

LPU's main campus in San Dimas, Ca is a traditional, 4-year residential undergraduate program with multiple majors to choose. LPU's main campus also offers online and graduate degrees. All programs integrate Bible, theology, and ministry education preparing students to serve God in a variety of settings. Upon completion of the program at LPU, students receive their BA degree and have an option of completing a polity course for Foursquare licensure.

LPU-VA employs an innovative "2+2" model with a singular focus: training ministry leaders for deployment. LPU-VA students complete 2 -years on campus to attend college courses, get developed through leadership labs, and receive ministry experience. After 2 years, graduates earn an A.A. degree, the option of Foursquare licensing, and then launch into a ministry residency through a partnership with the Foursquare Church. During the 2-year residency, students complete their B.A. degree through Life Pacific's online degree completion program, while receiving hands on ministry experience and training.

What is the "2+2" Model?

A unique and affordable approach to higher education! The 2+2 model provides a student a 2-year, traditional on campus education followed by a 2-year residency where a student gets hands on experience and mentoring while they finish their bachelor's degree online. Residencies are done in partnership with the Foursquare church and include vocational ministry, business as mission, and international missions' residencies.

After the first 2 years, are students required to do the residency or are there other options for completing my degree?

Residencies are not a requirement of the program. A student that chooses not to enter a residency has the option of completing their education online or at our West Coast campus in San Dimas, California.

Are students required to pursue Foursquare licensure?

Students are not required to pursue licensing. However, any student that wishes may take part in the licensing process in their final semester and upon completion of the process become a fully licensed Foursquare minister.

Do I have to find my own church residency?

No. LPU-VA has worked closely with the Foursquare church to provide residency opportunities upon graduation. The Central Offices of the Foursquare church facilitate, vet, and train our residency partners to ensure every student has the experience necessary to be launched into further opportunities.

Does every student earn the same degree?

Upon completion of the 2 year, traditional on campus coursework, every student will graduate with an AA in General Studies. There are several degree options offered from LPU for students to complete

while in residency. However, if one of the programs offered by LPU does not fit the direction a student is heading, the fully accredited AA degree is transferrable to all other colleges and universities.

What type of experience will I get in my residency?

More than an internship, students in residency are treated and considered by their host organizations as staff members. Students in residency will learn the skills necessary by lead mentors in their area of calling and are trained to be successfully deployed into ministry or their area of calling upon completion of their time in residency.

Is there financial aid available for the 2-years in residency?

Yes! Room and board is included in the residency program. Members of the residency network are also working on ways to scholarship the education costs for students in residency as well! Though this is in process, it is an exciting development for our students!

Is the residency year-round or during the school year?

Since these are considered staff positions, residencies will be year-round commitments for the 2 years spent in them.