



LIFE PACIFIC UNIVERSITY

PRESIDENT'S ANNUAL REPORT



Rise With Courage | 1 Corinthians 16:13-14

"Watch, stand fast in the faith, be brave, be strong.
Let all that you do be done with love. "





Rising During a Remarkable Year

A Letter from the President

Dear Friends,

This has been a year like no other, but Life Pacific University has not been standing still. This extraordinary year has brought us closer to Christ and a renewed commitment to our mission, vision, and values as a Biblical University. We have been thinking creatively about how we can partner with leaders around the world to raise up the next generation of Christ-followers, and we have seen our students rise to meet the challenges of the year.

I believe that now, more than ever, Life Pacific University must link arms with partners. We are stronger together and we will see great change in our world. Looking back at the 2020-21 academic year, I am humbled and grateful to see the amazing work accomplished by faculty, staff, and friends of the university to mobilize online formats, develop new partnerships, and launch new pathways for the transformational development of students into leaders.

Founded nearly 100 years ago to train lay people to know and share the Bible, Life Pacific University today remains focused on preparing women and men to live biblical lives in a variety of professions and in every walk of life in the Church and the workplace. As you flip through these pages and reflect on all that's taken place at LPU this year, I hope you are as inspired and energized about our mission as I am.

Rise with Courage,

Angie Richey, LPU President



The Next 100: Transforming the Generations

The Strategic Plan

In February 2021, the Life Pacific University Board of Trustees approved the university's new strategic plan "The Next 100: Transforming the Generations" to guide the institution's efforts for the next five to seven years during which LPU will celebrate its centennial in 2023.

- I. LPU will achieve long-term sustainability through resource stewardship, quality programs, and institutional advancement.
- II. LPU will develop a vibrant culture and solid infrastructure that manages the complexity of a university model.
- III. LPU will demonstrate high levels of student success and wellness through transformative learning experiences and quality support structures.
- IV. LPU will pursue missional advancement through strategic partnerships.
- V. LPU will strengthen its brand visibility and reputation in the marketplace, recognized for its creativity and quality.



Life Pacific At-A-Glance

- Total Headcount: 574 students from more than 15 different states and countries
 - Traditional Undergraduate – San Dimas: 320
 - Traditional Undergraduate – Virginia: 18
 - Online Undergraduate: 35
 - Degree Completion: 69
 - Graduate Program: 132
- 45% Foursquare, and another 26% identifying as Pentecostal or Non-Denominational
- Celebrating Diversity:
 - 47% Male, 53% Female
 - 42% Hispanic/Latino, 35% White, 6% Multi-Ethnic, 4% Black/African American, 4% Asian
- 11 Intercollegiate Sports in the NAIA
- 2 A.A. Degrees, 8 B.A. Degrees, 3 M.A. Degrees
- Largest TUG program: Human Development & Psychology (41%)
- Largest Graduate Program: MA in Strategic Leadership (42%)
- Average Undergraduate Class Size: 13



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LPU Earns High Rankings Among National Colleges and Universities

#9 in Top Performers on Social Mobility among regional colleges in the West by U.S. News & World Report

"LPU's mission is the transformational development of students into leaders prepared to serve God in the church, the workplace, and the world. This recognition confirms the transformation that each student experiences at LPU to grow and thrive as leaders. I am thrilled that LPU has earned this ranking and even more thrilled to see our students making a difference in the lives of their families and communities." – Angie Richey

#17 among the Best Online Colleges in California

With its growth in online AA, Degree Completion, and master's level programs, LPU is a recognized leader among private, Christian higher education institutions for the strength of its remote learning.



LPU's Innovative Response to the Pandemic Featured in National Magazine

CCCU's Advance Magazine: Campus Stories of Innovation highlighted inventive ways that universities moved forward during the pandemic, including LPU's use of technology to stay connected.

“When COVID-19 forced LPU to send students home for an extended spring break in March 2020, our staff and faculty turned to our founder’s legacy for inspiration as we transitioned the entire on-campus experience online in just under two weeks. By the time students logged back on for classes, 150 on-campus courses had been moved online, a team of success coaches was paired with every student, and the 500-seat Simonson Chapel had been converted into a temporary digital media studio for streaming chapels and classes and for recording webinars, podcasts, and events.

Reflecting on the dramatic, sudden shift into a digital experience, I believe that the changes made will help LPU reach more people all over the world for decades to come. We’ve all become more flexible, adaptable, and aware of the hurdles our students must overcome in order to be successful. We’ve invested in emerging technologies and listened to the needs of our students, communities, and churches. Through this investment, we’ve seen community built and students persevere through the hardest of challenges. May the lessons learned help us lean into innovation and creativity in order to equip more students who will make a positive difference in the world.”

-Excerpt from *Using a Rich Tradition of Technology to Shape a Promising Future* by President Angie Richey





Launching the Aimee Semple McPherson Digital Media Studios



LPU is celebrating the culmination of a long-time collaboration with a Southern California donor. While wishing to remain anonymous, the donor gave a lead gift of \$500,000 to launch the Aimee Semple McPherson Digital Media Studios at Life Pacific University.

The Aimee Semple McPherson Digital Media Studios are a network of creative spaces around campus where a new generation of storytellers can develop their calling by exploring digital technologies, engaging the global creative community, and creating change through transformational stories.



Named to honor the innovation and inspiration of our founder, the Aimee Semple McPherson Digital Media Studios are a top priority for the campus. LPU will complete the project in 2023 in time to honor the Foursquare Centennial and LPU's 100th year. This 3-year, \$1.5 million network of studios offer hybrid academic + practicum spaces for students to experience hands-on learning by creating content for classes and real-world projects with churches, nonprofits, businesses, and ministries.

"We are committed to supporting students as they explore creative ways to share the gospel with the world. The Aimee Semple McPherson Digital Media Studios is our biggest project for 2021, with a goal to complete the campus-wide studio system for our Centennial in 2023. We are humbled to walk in Aimee's footsteps with a new generation who will share stories of hope through new and transformative media. This generous gift, makes it all possible." – Angie Richey



If you'd like to have a conversation about how to get involved or give toward the project, contact Lynnette Lozoya at (909) 706-3095 or llozoya@lifepacific.edu.



LPU Links Arms with Partners Worldwide

The Immersive Training Program at LPU

LPU and local ministries are partnering together to offer students an accredited and affordable online degree that is integrated into a hands-on immersive training experience. These partnerships offer the best of both worlds: accredited Biblical education and practical ministry experience in the local church.

New Immersive Training Partners:

- **ALFC College** | Rancho Cucamonga, CA
- **Daybreak Leadership College** | Carlsbad, CA
- **Discipleship Program at New Hope Hawaii Kai** | Honolulu, HI
- **Discover Northwest at East Hill Church** | Gresham, OR
- **DCNYC Leadership Program at Dream Center NYC** | Brooklyn, NY
- **Leadership Program at The Bridge Church** | Rancho Santa Margarita, CA
- **New England College of Leadership at Grace Capital Church** | Pembroke, NH
- **Pacific Coast Discipleship School at Crescent City Foursquare Church** | Crescent City, CA (an urban + rural collaboration with SF Bay Church in San Francisco)
- **Redwood School of Discipleship at Faith Center** | Eureka, CA
- **The WELL at Wellhouse Church** | Sisters, OR
- **Young Leader Discipleship at Living Waters Church** | Medford, OR



"Our approach is simple but intentional. We welcome groups of likeminded students willing to do life together in the field as they learn the same curriculum offered on campus, but with the added twist of practical experience, community growth, focused discipleship, and pastoral care thrown in."

– Bobby Howell, Director of Partner & Affiliate Programs



LPU Online Opens Doors for International Affiliate Partnerships

LPU is thrilled to team up with educational partners worldwide to offer the opportunity to transfer their credits to LPU's online or on-campus programs!

New Academic Partners:

- Calvary Chapel Bible College
- Pacific Life Bible College
- Victory Education and Training Institute
- Summit International School of Ministry
- YWAM Cambodia
- YWAM Kalispell, Montana Lakeside

LPU Unites Campuses on East and West Coasts

LPU-VA, the university's east coast campus located in Christiansburg, Virginia, became a fully integrated component of LPU this year. LPU-VA offers students an innovative 2+2 Pathway to graduate with a bachelor's degree and hands-on ministry experience. This program is designed in partnership with The Foursquare Church, so that graduates are well-rounded and equipped to lead effectively. Students begin their journey in Christiansburg, Virginia where they will complete their first 2-years of classes on campus in a traditional university setting. Students then spend the final 2-years in residency in a local church or ministry organization, completing their courses online to earn a bachelor's degree.

"It's the local church working with students to fulfill God's plan at home and around the world. It's a powerful reciprocation that meets specific needs of this generation while it advances potential church leaders into the future through innovation and trust."

– Scott Martz, LPU-VA Site Director



LPU Launches Online Certificate in Partnership with Foursquare Missions International

LPU and FMI are partnering to pilot a new online certificate program for leaders to receive high-quality education at an unbeatable price. With the launch of the certificate program, LPU seeks to fill a need for low cost, professional development tools to help leaders in their path to growth and success.



"We believe this is the first of many certificates that we will launch and are thrilled to be able to offer unique, customizable programs as another option for students to receive biblical education and training. Whether students choose to enroll in our on-campus programs in California or Virginia, the Immersive Training Program at their local church, or our new online certificate programs, we are committed to developing leaders who serve God around the world." – Angie Richey



LPU Students Rise During Extraordinary Year

LPU Warriors Receive Cliff Hamlow Champions of Character Award

Junior Alyssa Salgado and Senior Adam Saavedra were each presented with the Cliff Hamlow Champion of Character Award, given to athletes who demonstrates outstanding athletic achievement, campus and community leadership, future ambition and embraces the five core character values of the NAIA Champions of Character program.

LPU Cancels \$1 Million of Unpaid Medical Debt for SoCal Families

Life Pacific University students, staff, and faculty donated \$5,000 and Christian Assembly Church in Los Angeles matched this contribution to equal \$10,000. With these funds, the university was able to purchase and pay off the medical debt through a not-for-profit called RIP Medical Debt. For every \$100 donated, \$10,000 of medical debt is forgiven. That means Life Pacific's contribution, along with the matched gift from Christian Assembly, forgave **1 million worth of unpaid medical debt owed by over 390 individuals and families in San Dimas, Glendora, and Pomona.**

"We are excited about the impact this debt cancellation is going to make in our surrounding communities. Not only will the individuals experience a new financial freedom, and a weight lifted off their life, but it's also an opportunity for them to experience the generosity of God in a tangible way especially during challenging times." -Angie Richey



LPU Worship Arts & Media Program Releases First Spanish EP

The Life Pacific Worship Arts & Media band "The LIFE Collective" recently released a new EP "No Temeré," preformed entirely in Spanish. "No Temeré" and all other music from The LIFE Collective can be found on all major streaming services including Spotify and Apply music.

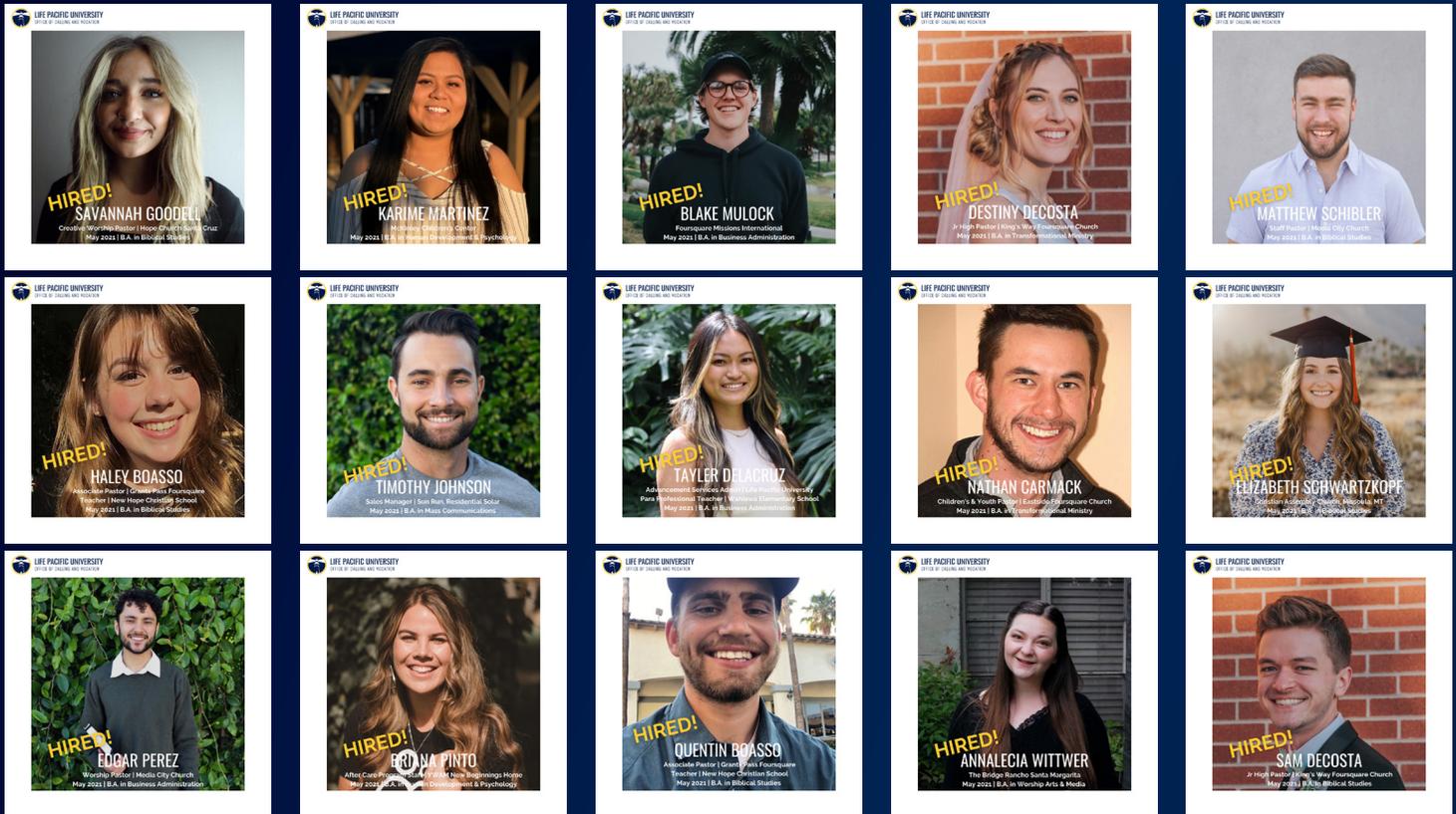


Foursquare Polity: LPU & LPU-VA Students Become Recommended Foursquare Pastors

In the Foursquare licensing class, students learn how the Foursquare family lives, how the culture impacts communities, and how to more closely align with the ethos of The Foursquare Church. This year, LPU students participated in the first-ever all virtual Polity course at LPU, due to in-person class restrictions related to the coronavirus pandemic. Classes took place virtually over videoconferencing tools, as did licensing interviews. Despite the pandemic, these resilient students continued to pursue God's call on their lives. Congratulations, newly recommended pastors!

LPU Hired

Life Pacific University students are making a huge impact in their fields of study, taking the life and leadership skills gained at LPU and using it for the kingdom of God in the church, the workplace, and the world!



Core Life Skills Launch on East and West Coasts

Research in higher education and input from employers reveal a need for students to develop core life skills that bridge academia and the real world. Life Pacific University focuses on four specific areas that can be evaluated through student job placement trends and LPU graduate surveys:

1. **Growth Mindset**
2. **Emotional Intelligence**
3. **Soft Skills**
4. **Coachability**

The LPU Life Skills Framework has been launched on both LPU campuses, San Dimas, California and Christiansburg, Virginia.

"We are pleased to launch this framework that integrates core life skills into all areas of a student's learning at LPU, inside and outside the classroom. While this has been taking place in many aspects, unified intention will be a game changer. By focusing on the four key areas, our students are leaving LPU more able to navigate the changing world effectively."

– Angie Richey





Celebrating the Graduating Classes of 2020 and 2021

2021 Commencement & Commissioning Ceremony



Dr. Dick Scott Receives Honorary Doctor of Letters

Life Pacific University conferred its first-ever Doctor of Letters degree, the institution's highest honor, on alumnus and former President Dr. Dick Scott. This recognition honors Dr. Scott's work translating the New Testament into the language of the Choco and providing members of the Choco society who are non-readers with an audible device to access the New Testament.



First-Ever Graduating Class of the Master of Leadership – Spanish Language

Hear from program director Rev. Daniel Prieto:

"We celebrate the first group of students of the Master of Arts in Leadership program who completed their degree entirely in Spanish! As a university, we have waited for this celebration for almost a hundred years, but it has finally come to fruition. These students came to the program as proven leaders in their field, having served the Lord faithfully for many years.

*What a joy it was to see them graduate and receive their Master of Arts in Leadership degree. Congratulations, pioneering class. Stand firm and move forward. **This is just the beginning.**"*



Mission

Life Pacific University is an institution of biblical higher education existing for the transformational development of students into leaders prepared to serve God in the Church, the workplace, and the world.

Vision

Life Pacific University will be recognized worldwide as a premier pentecostal institution, within the Foursquare tradition, characterized by a diverse community of Spirit-empowered students, scholars, and practitioners whose hearts and minds are devoted to Christ and His Kingdom.

Values

- **Excellence** – we strive for academic and professional excellence in behavior, communication, attitude, work, and all we do: in our functioning as an institution of higher education and in our personal lives.
- **Unity** – we work together to accomplish the mission of the University through intentional relationship with colleagues, students, and strategic partners in the spirit of humility, collaboration, and openness.
- **Service** – we serve God, one another, and those beyond our institution with servant leadership, authentic hospitality, encouragement, and contribution knowing that our work is unto the Lord for the common good.
- **Empowerment** – we strengthen the LPU community with information, tools, and resources to achieve desired results, displaying value for others through trust, positivity, accountability, and commitment to the pursuit of individual and collective growth.
- **Celebration** – we cultivate a vibrant culture that passionately engages the mission, vision, and values of the LPU community; celebrating and honoring the accomplishments of staff, faculty, students, and stakeholders; worshipping God in all things.

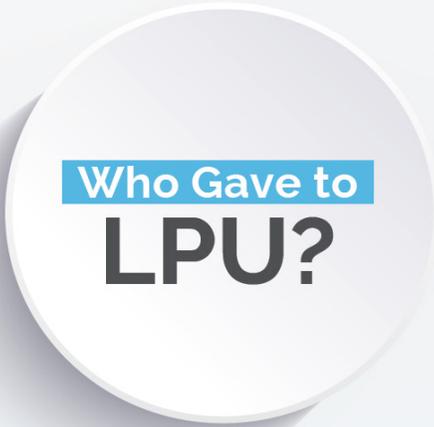


Every student matters, so does every gift.

By giving to the LIFE Fund, you directly impact the care and transformation of every LPU student.

Why wait when you can make a difference today!

Total Giving: \$4.1 Million



200
Degreed & Non-degreed Alumni

137
Churches & Organizations

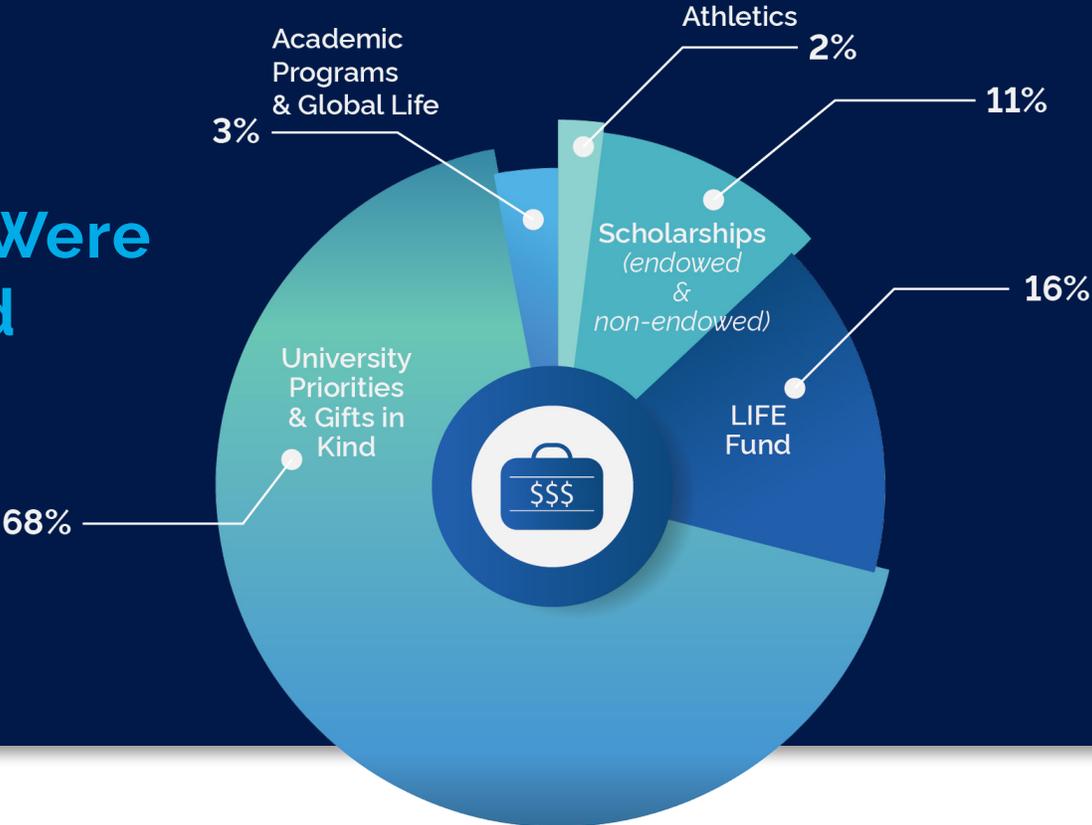
363
Friends

24
Full-time & Part-time Staff, Faculty & Adjunct Faculty

100%
Commitment from 25 LPU Board of Trustees



How Gifts Were Distributed



Sneak Peek:

2020 - 2021 through May 15, 2021

Total Giving to Date
\$2,743,082

Scholarships
(endowed/non-endowed)
\$856,170 (31%)

Athletics
\$20,235 (1%)

LIFE Fund
\$320,026 (12%)

University Priorities
& Gifts in Kind
\$1,425 (1%)

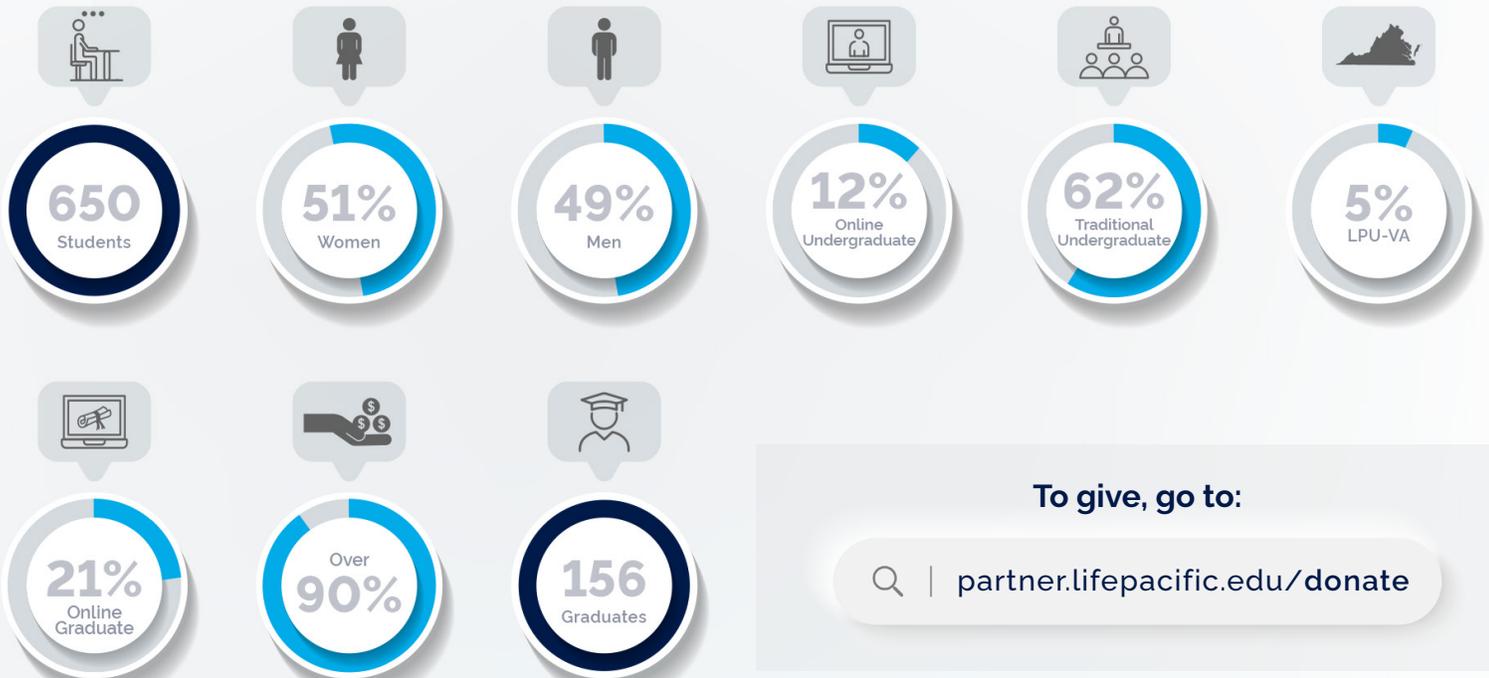
Academic Programs
& Global Life
\$20,259 (1%)

Media Campaign
\$521,552 (19%)

LPU-VA
\$133,415 (5%)

The Foursquare Church
\$870,000 (32%)

By The Numbers



LPU students received some form of aid (institutional, state, or federal)

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