

LA SIERRA UNIVERSITY

Statement of Agreement

La Sierra University is a diverse community of inquiry, learning, and service rooted in the Christian gospel. The University is committed to Seventh-day Adventist values and ideals. Its mission is to seek truth, enlarging human understanding through scholarship; to know ourselves, broadly educating the whole student; and to serve others, contributing to the good of the global community. The University pursues this mission for God and society with recognized excellence, integrity, compassion, and mutual respect.

While La Sierra University is a distinctively Christian institution, this does not mean that only those with Christian backgrounds are admitted as students. It does mean, however, that every student, whether Christian or non-Christian, must conform to policies and regulations relating to the spiritual and social character of the university environment. These include, but are not limited to, the following:

1. All undergraduate students are required to attend a one-hour campus-wide worship service each Thursday at 11 am. Residential students are required to attend one additional devotional service a week selected from a variety of choices organized through Residential Life. Graduate students are encouraged, although not required, to attend these services.
2. Undergraduate programs require students to complete one religion course per year, while graduate programs have one religion course as part of the curriculum.
3. The use of alcohol, tobacco, illegal drugs, or drugs for which one does not have a prescription, is not permitted while at the University. La Sierra University promotes and maintains a drug-, alcohol- and tobacco-free campus and lifestyle. Students possessing, distributing, and/or using alcohol, narcotics, or other intoxicants (on or off campus) while enrolled at La Sierra University will be subject to disciplinary action. The University reserves the right to confront behavior that is detrimental to the students, the community, the University, and/or others, regardless of the location or the age of the student.
4. Residential students are required to enroll in a meal plan in the cafeteria as part of the residence hall package. La Sierra University is a vegetarian campus, providing a variety of healthy, balanced meals for students.
5. Undergraduate unmarried students under the age of 22 are required to live in the residence hall unless living with parents or relatives. The curfew for residence halls is 1 am. Students wishing to stay out later should make arrangements with the residence hall dean.
6. La Sierra University celebrates Saturday as the Sabbath. This is observed from sunset on Friday to sunset on Saturday. The University is closed for regular business at noon each Friday and reopens for business on Monday morning. (Campus security and the cafeteria remain open). Students who remain on campus for the weekend are required to respect those who worship on Sabbath and to abide by campus guidelines.

Signature on all University applications signifies understanding and cooperation to the above.