

Statement of Accreditation Status La Sierra University

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Current Accreditation Status: Accredited
Most Recent Commission Action: November 20, 2025
First Accredited: 1953

Undergraduate FTE: 1,131
Graduate FTE: 266
Financial Structure Type: Non-Profit
Sponsorship: Religious Control
Academic Calendar: Quarter
Distributes Federal Financial Aid: Yes

Commission Actions

- *Commission action letter, reaffirmation visit, June 2018 action
- *Commission action letter for Special Visit, February 2014 action
- *Team report, reaffirmation visit, June 2018 action
- *Team report for Special Visit, February 2014 action

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Locations

OPEID	Location Name	City	Location Type	Status
	Castle Medical Center	Kailua	Additional	active
00121500	La Sierra University	Riverside	Main Campus	active
00121512	La Sierra University – Corona Campus	Corona	Additional	active
00121509	La Sierra University – Loma Linda	Loma Linda	Additional	active
	La Sierra University – Rancho Mirage	Rancho Mirage	Additional	active
00121513	La Sierra University – Union College	Lincoln	Additional	active

Degrees

Degree	Degree Level	Year Implemented	Modality
Accountancy (MS)	Masters	2013	On-Site
Accounting (BS)	Bachelors	2005	On-Site
Administration & Leadership (EdD)	Professional Doctorate	1991	On-Site
Administration & Leadership (EdS)	Masters	1991	On-Site
Administration & Leadership (MA)	Masters	1991	On-Site
Animation (BFA)	Bachelors	2025	On-Site
Applied Behavior Analysis (MA)	Masters	2023	On-Site
Archaeology (BA)	Bachelors	2012	On-Site
Art (BA)	Bachelors	1991	On-Site
Biochemistry (BS)	Bachelors	1991	On-Site
Biology: Biological Science (BS)	Bachelors	2003	On-Site
Biology: Biomedical Science (BS)	Bachelors	2003	On-Site
Biology: STEM Education (BA)	Bachelors	2023	On-Site
Biomathematics (BS)	Bachelors	1991	On-Site
Biophysics (BS)	Bachelors	1991	On-Site
Business Administration (MBA Online)	Masters	2026	Distance Education
Business Administration Customized (MBA)	Masters	1991	On-Site

Degree	Degree Level	Year Implemented	Modality
Business Administration Finance (MBA)	Masters	1991	On-Site
Business Administration General Management - non-concentration (MBA)	Masters	1991	On-Site
Business Administration Human Resource Management (MBA)	Masters	1991	On-Site
Business Administration Marketing (MBA)	Masters	1991	On-Site
Business Administration Sports Management (MBA)	Masters	2024	On-Site
Business Administration: Business Analytics (MBA)	Masters	2023	On-Site
Business Administration: Health Care Management	Masters	2019	On-Site
Business Analytics (BS)	Bachelors	2023	On-Site
Business: Business & Society (BS)	Bachelors	2005	On-Site
Business: Finance (BS)	Bachelors	2005	On-Site
Business: Health Care Management (BS)	Bachelors	2010	On-Site
Business: Human Resource Management (BS)	Bachelors	1991	On-Site
Business: International Business	Bachelors	2018	On-Site
Business: Management (BS)	Bachelors	2005	On-Site
Business: Management for Health Care Professionals (BS)	Bachelors	2018	On-Site
Business: Marketing (BS)	Bachelors	2005	On-Site
Business: Political Economy (BS)	Bachelors	2005	On-Site
CMIN: Certificate in Ministry	Non-degree	2004	On-Site
Chemistry (BA)	Bachelors	1991	On-Site
Chemistry (BS)	Bachelors	1991	On-Site
Chemistry: STEM Education (BA)	Bachelors	2023	On-Site
Cognitive and Behavioral Neuroscience (BA)	Bachelors	2017	On-Site
Communication: Public Relations (BA)	Bachelors	1991	On-Site
Communication: Strategic Communication (BA)	Bachelors	2011	On-Site
Computer Science (BS)	Bachelors	1991	On-Site
Computer Science (MS)	Masters	2025	On-Site
Counseling (MA)	Masters	1991	On-Site

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Credential - Administrative Services - SDA	Non-degree	2000	On-Site
Credential - Elementary Teaching SDA	Non-degree	2000	On-Site
Credential - Guidance & Counseling - SDA	Non-degree	2000	On-Site
Credential - Multiple Subjects Teaching - State (CA)	Non-degree	2000	On-Site
Credential - Single Subject Teaching - SDA	Non-degree	2000	On-Site
Credential - Single Subject Teaching - State (CA)	Non-degree	2000	On-Site
Credential-Preliminary Admin Services - State(CA)	Non-degree	2000	On-Site
Credential-Pupil Personnel Services/Sch Psych-State(CA)	Non-degree	2000	On-Site
Criminal Justice (BS)	Bachelors	2010	On-Site
Curriculum & Instruction (EdD)	Professional Doctorate	1991	On-Site
Curriculum & Instruction (EdS)	Masters	1991	On-Site
Curriculum & Instruction (MA)	Masters	1991	On-Site
Curriculum & Instruction (MAT)	Masters	2003	Distance Education
Curriculum and Instruction (MAT)	Masters	1991	On-Site
Customized Business Major (BA)	Bachelors	2000	On-Site
Customized Business Major (BS)	Bachelors	2000	On-Site
Design: Graphic Design (BA)	Bachelors	2022	On-Site
Design: Photography (BA)	Bachelors	2022	On-Site
Digital Media & Marketing	Bachelors	2021	On-Site
Digital Media & Visual Effects (BFA)	Bachelors	2021	On-Site
Digital Media & Web Technology (BS)	Bachelors	2021	On-Site
Digital Media in Design & Communication	Bachelors	2021	On-Site
Divinity (MDiv)	Masters	2002	On-Site
Doctor of Ministry (DMin)	Professional Doctorate	2025	On-Site
Educational Administration (PhD in Leadership)	Research Doctorate	2017	On-Site
Educational Psychology (EdD)	Professional Doctorate	1991	On-Site
Educational Psychology (EdS)	Masters	1991	On-Site
Educational Psychology (PhD)	Research Doctorate	2017	On-Site

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English (MA)	Masters	1991	On-Site
English: Literature & Writing (BA)	Bachelors	1991	On-Site
English: Secondary Teaching (BA)	Bachelors	2018	On-Site
Exercise Science: Fitness & Coaching	Bachelors	2024	On-Site
Exercise Science: Kinesiology (BS)	Bachelors	2014	On-Site
Film & Television: Individualized (BFA)	Bachelors	2013	On-Site
Film & Television: Production (BFA)	Bachelors	2012	On-Site
Film & Television: Script Writing (BFA)	Bachelors	2013	On-Site
Film (BA)	Bachelors	2022	On-Site
Fine Arts (BFA)	Bachelors	1997	On-Site
General Studies - CAS	Non-degree	2000	On-Site
General Studies - DS	Non-degree	2000	On-Site
General Studies - ZSB	Non-degree	2000	On-Site
Global Contexts or Health (BA)	Bachelors	2021	On-Site
Global Studies (BA)	Bachelors	2005	On-Site
Graphic Design (BFA)	Bachelors	1997	On-Site
Health Science (AS)	Associate	2021	On-Site
Health Science: Health Administration (BS)	Bachelors	1991	On-Site
Health Science: Nutrition (BS)	Bachelors	2022	On-Site
Health Science: Public Health	Bachelors	2018	On-Site
Health Science: Clinical Health Studies (BS)	Bachelors	1991	On-Site
History (BA)	Bachelors	1991	On-Site
Human Development & Thriving (BA)	Bachelors	2021	On-Site
Individual Major (BA, BS)	Bachelors	1992	On-Site
Instructional Leadership (PhD in Leadership)	Research Doctorate	2017	On-Site
International Studies	Bachelors	2024	On-Site
Liberal Arts (BA)	Bachelors	1991	On-Site
Liberal Studies (BA)	Bachelors	1992	On-Site
Mathematics (BS)	Bachelors	1991	On-Site

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Mathematics: Secondary Teaching	Bachelors	2020	On-Site
Modern Media Production (MFA)	Masters	2024	On-Site
Music (BA)	Bachelors	1991	On-Site
Music Performance (BMus)	Bachelors	1991	On-Site
Music: Music Composition (BA)	Bachelors	2024	On-Site
Music: Music Education (BA)	Bachelors	2024	On-Site
Near-Eastern Archaeology (MA)	Masters	2016	On-Site
Neuroscience (BS)	Bachelors	2011	On-Site
Philosophy & Cultural Studies (BA)	Bachelors	2022	On-Site
Philosophy & Intellectual History (BA)	Bachelors	2022	On-Site
Philosophy & Religion (BA)	Bachelors	2022	On-Site
Philosophy & Theology (BA)	Bachelors	2022	On-Site
Philosophy (BA)	Bachelors	2022	On-Site
Philosophy, Politics & Economics (BA)	Bachelors	2022	On-Site
Physics (BS)	Bachelors	2013	On-Site
Physics: STEM Education (BA)	Bachelors	2023	On-Site
Political Science (BA)	Bachelors	2023	On-Site
Pre-Clinical Laboratory Science	Non-degree	2000	On-Site
Pre-Communication Sciences & Disorders	Non-degree	2011	On-Site
Pre-Dental Hygiene	Non-degree	2000	On-Site
Pre-Dentistry	Non-degree	2000	On-Site
Pre-Engineering	Non-degree	2000	On-Site
Pre-Health Information Management	Non-degree	2000	On-Site
Pre-Law	Non-degree	2000	On-Site
Pre-Medical Radiography/Pre-Radiation Sciences	Non-degree	2000	On-Site
Pre-Medicine	Non-degree	2000	On-Site
Pre-Nuclear Medicine	Non-degree	2014	On-Site
Pre-Nursing	Non-degree	2000	On-Site
Pre-Nutrition and Dietetics	Non-degree	2000	On-Site

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Pre-Occupational Therapy	Non-degree	2000	On-Site
Pre-Optometry	Non-degree	2000	On-Site
Pre-Orthotics & Prosthetics	Non-degree	2011	On-Site
Pre-Pathologists' Assistant	Non-degree	2016	On-Site
Pre-Pharmacy	Non-degree	2000	On-Site
Pre-Physical Therapy	Non-degree	2000	On-Site
Pre-Physical Therapy Assistant	Non-degree	2000	On-Site
Pre-Physician Assistant	Non-degree	2000	On-Site
Pre-Respiratory Care	Non-degree	2000	On-Site
Pre-Seminary	Non-degree	2000	On-Site
Pre-Veterinary Medicine	Non-degree	2000	On-Site
Psychology (BA)	Bachelors	1991	On-Site
Religion (MA)	Masters	1991	On-Site
Religious Studies (BA)	Bachelors	1994	On-Site
School Psychology & Measurement (EdD)	Professional Doctorate	1991	On-Site
School Psychology (EdS)	Masters	1991	On-Site
Social Ecology (BA)	Bachelors	2021	On-Site
Social Science: Secondary Teaching	Bachelors	2023	On-Site
Social Work (BSW)	Bachelors	1991	On-Site
Sociology (BA)	Bachelors	2002	On-Site
Spanish (BA)	Bachelors	1991	On-Site
Spanish: Secondary Teaching	Bachelors	2019	On-Site
Sport & Performance Psychology (MA)	Masters	2024	On-Site
Sustainability and Society (BA)	Bachelors	2023	On-Site
Sustainable Agriculture Entrepreneurship (BA)	Bachelors	2023	On-Site
Theological Studies (MTS)	Masters	1999	On-Site
Theology (BA)	Bachelors	2023	On-Site
Urban Plant Agriculture (BS)	Bachelors	2023	On-Site

Upcoming Reviews

Season	Year Level	Review Type
Spring	2026	Accreditation Visit