



Azusa Pacific University 2018-19 Fact Sheet

Mission

Azusa Pacific University is an evangelical Christian community of disciples and scholars who seek to advance the work of God in the world through academic excellence in liberal arts and professional programs of higher education that encourage students to develop a Christian perspective of truth and life.

University History

What began in 1899 as the Training School for Christian Workers has grown into a comprehensive Christian university offering 68 bachelor's degrees, 45 master's degrees, 24 certificates, 12 credentials, and 8 doctoral programs to a total enrollment of 10,095 students. Azusa Pacific remains a vibrant faith and learning community, holding fast to its *God First* motto and preparing Christian disciples and scholars to be difference makers who serve and influence the world for Christ through excellence in higher education.

General Information

Azusa Pacific University is located in the San Gabriel Valley city of Azusa, 26 miles northeast of Los Angeles. The university also maintains seven off-site regional locations throughout Southern California, including in the High Desert, Inland Empire, Los Angeles, Monrovia, Murrieta, Orange County, and San Diego.

University Degrees and Programs

Degrees awarded (2017-18)	2,914
Doctoral degrees	118
Master's degrees	1,194
Bachelor's degrees	1,602
Certificates	12
Post-baccalaureate and post-master's certificates	58

Accreditation

Institutional: Western Association of Schools and Colleges Senior College and University Commission (WSCUC)

Specialized: 13 professional/specialized accreditations

Library Resources

APU's three libraries contain 461,591 books, 152,719 ebooks, 120 databases, 13,475 media items, and 2,274 serials.

Faculty

APU professors serve as expert resources, coming alongside students' academic endeavors while pursuing their own professional development and lifelong learning. APU students benefit from small classes and personal interaction with faculty members who

often take time to mentor students and host small study groups.

Total teaching faculty	1,235
Full time	498
Part time	22
Adjunct	715
Student-to-faculty ratio	11:1
Percent with doctorate, first professional, or other terminal degree (based on full-time teaching faculty)	68%

Staff

Total staff	1,062
Full time	953
Part time	109

Students (Fall 2018)

Total students enrolled	10,095
Men	32%
Women	68%
Traditional Undergraduate	5,021
Graduate and Professional	5,074
Full-time students	7,194
Undergraduate ethnic minority students	56%
Number of denominations represented	56

Number of states represented (including Guam, Puerto Rico, and the Armed Forces Pacific)	57
Number of countries represented	58

Freshman Admission Profile

Number applied	6,892
Number entering (first time, full time)	1,107
Average high school GPA	3.67
Average combined SAT score	1117
Average SAT Math	556
National Average SAT Math	531
Average SAT Reading	494
National Average SAT Reading & Writing	563
Freshmen retention (fall 2017-18)	81%

Financial Aid (2017-18)

Scholarships/grants

Federal	\$8,470,497
State	\$10,861,359
Other external scholarships/grants administered by college	\$5,353,859
Institutional	\$70,200,417

Self Help

Student loans	\$29,154,955
Parent loans	\$14,293,314
Tuition waivers	\$4,174,906
Athletic awards	\$5,641,599
Percent of undergraduate students receiving any form of:	
Financial aid	90%
Institutional financial aid	88%
Need-based financial aid	66%

Finances

Budget (2017-18)	\$237,185,000
Endowment (2017-18)	\$94,000,000
2017-18: Total donations	\$9,250,421
Full-time undergraduate tuition (2019-20)*	\$39,640

*See apu.edu for graduate and professional program tuition costs.

Scholarship with Impact



Academic Reputation

U.S. News & World Report's America's Best Colleges 2019 edition named Azusa Pacific to its national universities list, in a tie with several universities at No. 205, as well as to several other significant lists, including Ethnic Diversity, Economic Diversity, Highest Freshman Retention Rate, Largest Amount of Need-based Aid, and Highest Portion of Classes with Fewer than 20 Students. *Forbes'* annual ranking, which distinguishes the top 20 percent of all U.S. undergraduate institutions, placed APU at 383 out of 650 this year. The Princeton Review designated APU as 1 of 124 institutions in the "Best Western Colleges" section of its 2019 Best Colleges guide. For the seventh consecutive year, APU was named a Military Friendly School by *G.I. Jobs* magazine, affirming the university's commitment to its 500 veteran and active-duty military students and their families.



Grant Highlights

Azusa Pacific University alumni Steve and Susie Perry, through their Sacred Harvest Foundation, recently awarded APU \$3 million to help fund the expansion of its Doctor of Physical Therapy (DPT) program, including a new facility on West Campus, to be completed in 2019. This expansion enables the university to increase enrollment and provide an enhanced clinical and academic experience for students in one of the university's fastest-growing programs. APU received two grants, totaling nearly \$2 million, from Lilly Endowment Inc. The first funds programs that help pastors build relationships with experienced clergy who can serve as mentors. The second funds new programming and resources to support the spiritual development of youth through worship and the arts. Additionally, the Ahmanson Foundation awarded the university a \$300,000 grant toward the construction of a Convergent Media Center to equip journalism and public relations students with the skills and experience they need to succeed as professionals in these evolving industries. The new center, which houses ZU Media, APU's student-run converged media outlet, opened in fall 2018 and features workstations, a soundstage, and a broadcast recording studio.



APU Launches New Degree Programs

The university introduced the Bachelor of Arts in Animation and Visual Effects in fall 2018 for students seeking careers as illustrators and animators. Courses include animation, drawing, storytelling, and cinematic arts, ensuring that graduates are prepared for positions in industries such as film, television, and video game design. Launching fall 2019, a Bachelor of Arts and minor program in Games and Interactive Media will prepare students for this growing industry by offering courses beyond game development, from technology and production to leadership and project management. APU's new Master of Public Administration degree is a 36-unit program for emerging leaders who desire to advance their careers serving in publicly funded or nonprofit organizations. Students complete their degree fully online or as a low-residency program at Azusa Pacific's Center for Public Affairs in Sacramento.



APU's Dig Site in Israel Unearths Biblical Artifact

The latest artifact unearthed from the joint Azusa Pacific University and Hebrew University of Jerusalem archaeological site of Tel Abel Beth Maacah in Northern Israel, a small faience head dating from the late Iron Age IIA (9th century BC), likely depicts a biblical king, according to Robert Mullins, Ph.D., lead archaeologist at Abel Beth Maacah and chair and professor in Azusa Pacific's Department of Biblical and Religious Studies. The find went on display at the Israel Museum in Jerusalem in May 2018 and was the focus of a presentation to the Israeli archaeological community at the 44th Annual Archaeological Congress. A recent article in *Christianity Today* recognized the artifact as No. 2 of the top 10 archeological discoveries of 2018.

Making a Difference



As Scholars

The Carnegie designation as a doctoral research institution marked APU's entrance into the nation's most prestigious academic community, differentiated by a continued focus on teaching and developing research inspired by the needs of the world and informed by faith. Faculty contributions to their respective fields add to APU's expanding academic reputation. Among APU's notable accomplishments, three faculty and four students received the prestigious Fulbright Scholar Award for the 2018-19 school year, bringing the total number of recipients to 15 faculty and 39 students since 2003 and positioning APU faculty and students among the world's elite scholars seeking global engagement and understanding from a Christian perspective.



Through Athletics

More than 450 student-athletes compete for the university's 19-sport intercollegiate athletics program. APU produced 20 All-Americans and 204 Academic All-Conference selections in the 2017-18 school year, which was APU's fourth year of National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) Division II active membership. A past eight-time winner of the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics' prestigious Directors' Cup, APU finished 20th in the 2017-18 NCAA Division II Directors' Cup standings for its third top-20 finish in its first four years of NCAA DII membership. Many Cougar athletes have also gone on to successful careers in professional sports: 14 athletes have competed in the Olympics, including 2008 decathlon gold medalist Bryan Clay '03, and 50 other alumni have been drafted into professional sports, including Christian Okoye '87, former Kansas City Chiefs running back; Stephen Vogt '07, Milwaukee Brewers catcher; Adam McCreery '14, Los Angeles Dodgers pitcher; Josh Staumont '08, Kansas City Royals pitcher; Tyler Thornton '15, San Diego Fleet defensive back; and Terrell Watson '15, San Diego Fleet running back.



In Service

Since the university's founding in 1899, service has been an integral part of an APU education. The Center for Student Action mobilizes and educates students toward responsible and transformational service locally and globally through

a collaborative network of offices and programs, including outreach in 20 countries. As 1 of 240 institutions classified as a Carnegie Community Engaged campus, APU reaffirms its institutional commitment to deepening the practice of service and strengthening its connection to the community. For the eighth consecutive year, Azusa Pacific has been named to the President's Higher Education Community Service Honor Roll for exemplary leadership in civic engagement, service-learning, and building community partnerships. APU undergraduates perform more than 165,000 hours of service each year locally and globally.

By Example



Gabriel Martin '17 participated in the Alpha program, served as a resident advisor, and volunteered with Mexico Outreach on nine trips during his undergraduate career at Azusa Pacific University. All these opportunities were made possible through the APU Trustees' Scholarship. Martin is pursuing a Doctor of Medicine at Loma Linda University with the goal of becoming a physician. Martin's mother, who raised him as a single parent and always pointed him toward God, inspires him to achieve his goals.



Annie MacAulay '11 is the founder of Mountain and Sea Adventures, a nonprofit headquartered on Catalina Island. For 20 years, MacAulay and her team have brought more than 100,000 kids and teens out of their comfort zones and into the outdoors, where they can apply their growing knowledge of science, encounter nature up close, and face character-building challenges. To MacAulay, caring for creation is central to her faith. In 2019, she returned to APU as a panelist for a faith and science event on environmental stewardship.



Oliver Frank '18, a scholar athlete and one of the top tennis players in the nation, was selected as a 2018 Academic All American. Frank graduated with a Master of Business Administration after garnering significant accolades on the tennis court. Named a two-time ITA National Champion, a two-time NCAA Division II All-American, an NCAA DII Academic All-American, a two-time PacWest Men's Tennis Player of the Year, a two-time PacWest Men's Tennis Student Athlete of the Year, and a USTA SoCal Intercollegiate Tennis Champion, Frank led the APU team to its first PacWest championship and the semifinals in the NCAA DII national tournament.

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