

INTRODUCTION TO THE UNIVERSITY

Point Loma Nazarene University is a liberal arts institution sponsored by the Church of the Nazarene. Accredited by the Western Association of Schools and Colleges, Point Loma offers degree programs at the baccalaureate and graduate levels. The University's main campus is located on the Point Loma peninsula between beautiful San Diego Bay and the shores of the Pacific Ocean with a student population of approximately 3,100 at all teaching locations.

HERITAGE

In 1895, Phineas F. Bresee, a minister in the Methodist Episcopal Church, and J. P. Widney, a Methodist layperson and former president of the University of Southern California, founded the Church of the Nazarene in Los Angeles, California. Their primary purpose was to bring the good news of the Gospel to the poor and underprivileged. In 1902, Dr. Bresee founded Pacific Bible College, at the urging of several laypersons. Its purpose was to train ministerial and lay leaders for the new denomination.

Through the generosity of Mr. and Mrs. Jackson Deets, Pacific Bible College was able to purchase the famed Hugus Ranch in northeast Pasadena. With the subsequent move to the new Pasadena campus in 1910, the institution became Nazarene University and enlarged the scope of the curriculum to include a typical program in the liberal arts. In 1924, it was reorganized as Pasadena College (PC), the undergraduate honor society known as Sigma Phi Mu was organized, and a system of student government was instituted.

Pasadena College received initial accreditation from the Northwest Association of Secondary and Higher Schools in 1943, and from the Western College Association in 1949. In 1951, PC received state accreditation of its education program, and the Board of Trustees approved the addition of graduate education in 1965. Faced with a growing enrollment and the need for expanding the campus, the College moved to San Diego's historic Point Loma peninsula in the summer of 1973. Today, as Point Loma Nazarene University, the institution offers numerous majors in various academic degrees, is approaching an enrollment of 3,200 at all of its teaching locations with a faculty and staff of over 500, and enjoys an ocean-front main campus valued in excess of \$200 million.

CHURCH AND UNIVERSITY

Point Loma Nazarene University is the regional educational institution of the Southwest Region of the Church of the Nazarene. A Board of Trustees, composed of an equal number of ministers and laypersons, oversees the affairs of the University. Board members are nominated from eleven districts in the region and elected to the Board to serve on the self-perpetuating body.

The Church of the Nazarene is an international protestant denomination in the holiness tradition. The Church is Wesleyan in doctrine and evangelical in mission. Its polity is representative. Emphasis is given to the conversion of sinners, the entire sanctification of believers, and the spreading of the Gospel to every person. The Church is a member of the Christian Holiness Partnership and the National Association of Evangelicals.

The relationship of the University and the Church of the Nazarene is characterized by a mutual commitment to the doctrine and mission. In this relationship the University provides quality leaders for Christian service within social, civic, business, and church communities.

THE UNIVERSITY COMMUNITY

The Students. The University welcomes qualified students of any and all religious affiliations who desire an education in an environment of dynamic Christian witness. The role of Point Loma in higher education is fulfilled by helping students realize their mental, physical, social, moral, and spiritual ideals. The University's belief is that a personal commitment to Jesus Christ is the basis for achieving self-worth and understanding, the motivation for building a just social order, and the means for relating to God through worship and service.

The Faculty. The Point Loma faculty is composed of Christian teachers/scholars who are dedicated to teaching and other scholarly activity in an environment of vital Christianity. Individuals serving as faculty are committed to lifelong learning and teaching. They strive to exemplify excellence in their profession and model a personal integration of faith, learning, and living.

The Staff. The University community also includes qualified persons who provide vital support services to academic and co-curricular enterprises. Often directly involved in the lives of students and faculty, dedicated staff work diligently to provide services that make a quality difference at Point Loma.

The Alumni. Graduates and former students of Point Loma Nazarene University are an equally important—though extended—part of the

University community. They embody the Mission and Goals of the University and seek to make a difference literally all over the world. Alumni participate in the life of the University as well through giving opportunities and frequent memorable events on the main campus.

Mission

MISSION STATEMENT

To Teach ~ To Shape ~ To Send

Point Loma Nazarene University exists to provide higher education in a vital Christian community where minds are engaged and challenged, character is modeled and formed, and service becomes an expression of faith. Being of Wesleyan heritage, we aspire to be a learning community where grace is foundational, truth is pursued, and holiness is a way of life.

Mission Context

The University, established in 1902 by the Church of the Nazarene, offers quality liberal arts and professional programs on its main campus in San Diego and select graduate and professional programs throughout the denomination's southwest educational region.

Core Values

- Excellence in teaching and learning
- An intentionally Christian community
- Faithfulness to our Nazarene heritage and a Wesleyan theological tradition
- The development of students as whole persons
- A global perspective and experience
- Ethnic and cultural diversity
- The stewardship of resources
- Service as an expression of faith

THE UNIVERSITY SEAL

The University Seal is used on all official documents. It consists of a shield picturing the symbols of VENIA (Grace), VERITAS (Truth) and SANCTITAS (Holiness), themes that—in keeping with the heritage of Point Loma Nazarene University—have been identified with the Wesleyan-holiness tradition.

UNIVERSITY PROFILE

Programs at the graduate level are organized for the general purpose of giving the student a fundamental understanding and thorough mastery of a major field of study and of advanced preparation for a professional career.

Graduate Programs exist to:

- Recognize and foster superior scholarship through post-baccalaureate instruction, seminars, and research;
- Develop professional skills and competence;
- Encourage the acquisition and mastery of responsible and thorough methods of research;
- Enable students to improve their ability to think critically and achieve a greater measure of intellectual independence;
- Encourage the integration of the student's faith and learning; and
- Accelerate the engagement of graduates' faith in their professions.

Graduate study requires independent direction, a mature approach to study, and a commitment to professional goals. Students who have demonstrated a high level of achievement in undergraduate work and who want to increase their professional skills, expand their knowledge, and qualify for more demanding responsibilities are invited to apply for admission to Point Loma Nazarene University's Graduate Studies Programs.

Courses and programs are offered through departments and schools of the University. Faculty determine the standards of admission, the standards for retention, the requirements for graduation, regulations governing transfer credit, and other matters pertaining to academic activities and responsibilities of graduate students. Thus, to receive graduate credit and to be eligible for a graduate degree, a student must be properly admitted to a graduate degree program and must meet the standards set by the faculty.

COMMUNITY STANDARDS

Above all, Point Loma Nazarene University is a Christian community. Regardless of a student's personal religious perspective, when a student enrolls at Point Loma, he or she has entered into this community. As such, it is the hope of the institution that each student will sense the love and holiness that characterizes life in Christ throughout his/her period of participation in the community. Faculty and staff desire to model that life in all they do.

Studying in a Christian community has several ramifications. First it impacts the quality of workmanship—Christians offer God and each other their very best work. Students and faculty alike will be held to a very high standard of workmanship. Second, work in a Christian community is characterized by integrity. There is a level of trust that makes life in Christian community uplifting. Third, work is grounded in

Christ-like love and service. Faculty and students commit themselves to service in their professions, community and places of worship. Fourth, students, faculty, and staff are expected to live disciplined lives. Living and working in Christian community affects our life-style choices.

Accreditation and Affiliations

Point Loma Nazarene University is numbered among those institutions of higher education that meet or exceed the rigorous standards of accrediting associations and commissions. Point Loma is accredited by the Western Association of Schools and Colleges, for which it periodically completes a self-study that addresses recognized principles of excellence. A complete list of accreditations and affiliations is found in the Appendix.

University Facilities

The main campus of approximately 90 acres was first established as an educational site by the Theosophical Society of America and has been occupied since by Balboa University, California Western College, and United States International University. The early occupants of this campus erected a number of wooden buildings, some of which are still in use. Since 1953, numerous additional buildings have been constructed on the campus, and today the campus includes art facilities, a theatre, physical education complex, the Fermanian Business Center, the state-of-the-art Cooper Music Center with its 400-seat Crill Performance Hall, Colt Hall, Nicholson Commons and the Bond Academic Center. Several campus buildings are of historical interest. Among these are the Greek Amphitheatre, first of its type to be built in the United States; Mieras Hall, built in 1901 by the Spalding family; and Cabrillo Hall, originally the home of Madame Katherine Tingley, leader of the Theosophical Society.

OTHER TEACHING LOCATIONS

Mission Valley. PLNU, Mission Valley, opened its doors for classes in fall of 2001. The 51,000-square foot structure houses offices and classrooms for the University's graduate programs in education, nursing, business administration and religion. This facility brings Point Loma's program to the heart of the city. In Mission Valley the first floor houses the office of Conference Services. Because of its central location, the building is ideal for companies or groups who

would like to hold seminars, conferences and retreats. For more information, students should contact the Conference Services office at 619.563.2840. In the future, space on the first floor will be completed for archives and a student resource center. The second floor has additional classroom and rental space for expanding programs. Third floor is home to PLNU's M.B.A. offices and classrooms, student lounge, a satellite location for the University's Common Knowledge Bookstore, the Whitcomb Family Prayer Chapel, plus classrooms, computer lab and graduate Nursing. The fourth floor is occupied by faculty offices for teacher credentialing and graduate education as well as classroom space. The Graduate Administrative Services offices are also located in Mission Valley on the first floor.

Bakersfield. Located in the culturally rich San Joaquin Valley, PLNU, Bakersfield, is committed to serve Kern County and the surrounding areas. The Bakersfield facility is conveniently located in the pleasant surroundings of the newly refurbished downtown area. Classes are held in state-of-the-art instructional facilities conducive to the delivery of higher education in a pleasant atmosphere.

Arcadia. Point Loma Nazarene University, Arcadia, is located in the greater Los Angeles area in the city of Arcadia. It is adjacent to the Interstate 210 freeway between the Santa Anita and Huntington Blvd. exits.

Inland Empire. Southern California's fast-growing Inland Empire is currently served from two locations. The primary business of the campus is run from Point Loma Nazarene University, Inland Empire offices in Corona, California. This facility is conveniently located at the convergence of Route 91 and Interstate 15. The other facility is located within the Alta Loma School District offices in Rancho Cucamonga. In addition, classes are offered in the Chino Valley School District.

LIBRARY AND LEARNING RESOURCES

The Ryan Library and Learning Center is the book and periodical repository of the University. These facilities contain approximately 160,000 volumes and 53,143 microforms.

Facilities for reading, research, and study are provided for students and faculty. Many online periodical databases are available. Special collections, and resources including Information Technology Services, the Wesleyan Center, the Language Learning Center, the Center for Teaching and Learning and Media Services are also located here.

Ryan Library offers remote access to all library resources for registered students, faculty and staff. In addition to books and periodicals held at Ryan

Library, more than 20 research databases are available on the Internet via the library home page: www.ptloma.edu/LibraryServices/

Choose the Reference Databases link for online research. First-time users will need to configure their Internet browsers. Follow the red link on the Reference Databases page for instructions.

PLNU students, faculty and staff may also make use of InterLibrary Loan services. Materials not housed in Ryan Library are borrowed from other facilities and delivered to the campus at which the user is currently enrolled. For example: if a Mission Valley student requests a copy of an article from a journal to which the library does not subscribe, the library will obtain a copy of the requested article and deliver it to the Mission Valley location. InterLibrary Loan forms are available from the departmental assistant at each center.

Ryan Library also offers an electronic reference desk to connect remote users with the librarians for research assistance. Users contact the library via the Electronic Reference Desk link on the library home page. There they may type in their research question or problem and expect a response from the library within two days. The library response may include citations to source material, full-text articles, and advice on other resources that may be helpful to the student.

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY RESOURCES

Mission Valley. Post-baccalaureate and graduate students in Mission Valley have access to a variety of technology resources—both at the site and from their homes and offices. The computer lab in Mission Valley is located on the third floor. There are both Apple and PCs available. Printers are located in the lab for student convenience. The computer software available in the lab include word processing, data base programs, spread sheets and video editing. In addition, all computers in the lab have Web access—this allows them access to a free e-mail account, and library links to the main campus. These library links are also available from other computers using valid student ID numbers as passwords. Some full text journals are available on-line and can be printed out or sent to another e-mail address for future reference. Video cameras, VCR units, data projector and classroom access to the Web enhance classroom instruction and student presentations.

Bakersfield. Computer and technology-related courses at PLNU, Bakersfield, are taught in the new Learning Center facility. It is owned and operated by the Kern County Superintendent of Schools Office. It is conveniently located next to the Point Loma site and is the home for the latest technological resources available for computer

users in education. Combined with instruction designed for practical application, this state-of-the-art facility provides PLNU students with an opportunity to arrive at the leading edge of technology in education for the 21st Century.

Arcadia. Point Loma Nazarene University, Arcadia, has a new computer laboratory with both Windows and Macintosh formats. There is a computer link in the library that connects to the main Point Loma Nazarene University library.

Inland Empire. All the classrooms in the Corona and Rancho Cucamonga facilities are equipped with state-of-the-art presentation hardware to assist the technology training of California educators. Both facilities are served by secured and public wireless network systems for students, faculty, and staff.

Software. As part of the Microsoft Campus Agreement between Point Loma Nazarene University and Microsoft, students may purchase the Microsoft Office suite of application software for only the cost of the media and shipping (approximately \$40 per software version). This agreement entitles students to use the software on their personal computer during the duration of their education at Point Loma Nazarene University. Graduates may continue to use the software after leaving, as long as Point Loma Nazarene University continues to participate in the Microsoft Campus Agreement.

SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

The main campus is home to various works of art. As a former center for the Theosophical Society, original buildings feature interior woodworking by Reginald Machel. Ryan Library houses sculptures of the artist Scott Stearman and an original Norman Rockwell painting created for use as a Saturday Evening Post cover.

Paintings from the Spiros John *Karras Collection* of California Plein Air paintings, housed primarily in the Cooper Music Center, are prominently displayed for public viewing.

The *Fischer Collection* (a rare and unique set of matched, hand-made string instruments for use by faculty and student string quartets) is housed in the Cooper Music Center and may be viewed and heard in public recitals.

Ryan Library has two collections of note: special collections of the writings of Arminius and John Wesley and the William C. and Frances Vaughters collection of pre-Columbian artifacts.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY

It is the intention and resolve of the Department of Public Safety to provide a safe environment for the University. To this end, the Department strives to provide a safe environment in which students are free to learn and faculty may teach without undue concerns for safety. The University also has obligations to meet federal regulations relating to the reporting of crime.

The Department of Public Safety strongly encourages victims and witnesses to report all crime and suspicious incidents against persons or property, both to administrative offices of regional teaching locations and to the Department on the main campus in San Diego, Point Loma. All teaching locations maintain and frequently review evacuation procedures. Students are urged to take precautions regarding the protection of personal property, since the University cannot be responsible for the theft of personal property.

Additional resources regarding public safety are available at the Web site maintained by the Department of Public Safety. Students may also contact the Department directly at 619.849.2201.