

INTRODUCTION

Loma Linda University (LLU) (<http://www.llu.edu>) is a Seventh-day Adventist educational health sciences institution located in Southern California. With more than 4,500 students, its eight schools comprise the University organization. More than 105 academic degree programs are offered by the Schools of Allied Health Professions (<http://www.llu.edu/allied-health>), Behavioral Health, (<http://www.llu.edu/behavioral-health>) Dentistry (<http://www.llu.edu/dentistry>), Medicine (<http://www.llu.edu/medicine>), Nursing (<http://www.llu.edu/nursing>), Pharmacy (<http://www.llu.edu/pharmacy>), Public Health (<http://www.llu.edu/public-health>), and Religion (<http://www.llu.edu/religion>) . Curricula offered range from certificates of completion and Associate in Science degrees to Doctor of Philosophy and professional doctoral degrees. Students from more than 80 countries around the world and virtually every state in the nation are represented in Loma Linda University's student body. The University also offers distance education. For a list of programs, see www.llu.edu/central/academics/distance.page.