

Application for Undergraduate Admission

PACIFIC LUTHERAN UNIVERSITY



We appreciate the time you are taking to complete this application to Pacific Lutheran University. Whether you are a freshman or transfer applicant, you will find the forms and process convenient. We review all the information you provide us in this application, so consider your responses carefully and provide us additional information if you choose.

Please contact us if you have questions. We are here to assist you.

Admission decisions are made beginning October 1 for the following academic year. Candidates are notified of their status as soon as their completed application has been received and evaluated.

Students are admitted for either the fall or spring semester. Acceptance to the fall term also approves enrollment in the prior summer session. Spring semester acceptance approves enrollment in January Term.



Application Procedures for Freshmen and Transfers

Submit the following to the Office of Admissions:

1. **Undergraduate Application** with \$35 non-refundable application fee payable to PLU.
2. **Transcripts** from all high school and college course work. Transcripts must be sent directly from the school to PLU. High school transcripts should include class rank information.
3. **Test scores** from **either** the College Board Scholastic Assessment Tests (SAT) or the American College Test Assessment (ACT). (Not required for transfer students with more than 30 semester or 45 quarter transferable credits.)
4. **Academic Reference** from a qualified person such as a principal, teacher, counselor, pastor or employer (form provided).
5. **Personal Essay** on one of the two topics stated in question 40.
6. **Transfer Students Only:** Statement of Good Standing sent directly from the Dean of Students at your most recent college or university (form provided).

Running Start, AP and IB Credit

If you have participated in Washington State Running Start, Advanced Placement (AP) exams, or International Baccalaureate (IB) exams you may be eligible for college credit. PLU accepts Running Start credits as college credits, and awards up to 30 semester hours for AP and IB exam results. Please check the appropriate box in question 17 of this application.

Visit Campus

Visiting PLU is one of the most important things you can do during your college search. We hope you will take us up on the invitation to spend the day on campus so you can become better acquainted with the special atmosphere at PLU. Here are some options for your personalized visit:

- Meet with an admissions counselor
- Take a tour of campus
- Attend a class
- Spend the night in a residence hall
- Meet with a professor, coach or musical director

To set up a visit, call us at 800-274-6758. You can also go online at www.plu.edu/~admi/visit.

Finalizing All Offers of Admission

Once admitted, you will receive an acceptance packet containing the necessary forms to confirm your enrollment. The following must be submitted before you may register for classes:

- Advance Payment of \$200;
- New Student Information Form;
- Residential Life Information Form;
- Official final transcripts; and
- Medical History Record.

Housing Assignments

After receiving a letter of acceptance, you may apply for on-campus housing by submitting the \$200 Advance Payment with the New Student and Residential Life Information forms. Housing is guaranteed to students who make the Advance Payment by May 1. (Specific hall assignments are made on a “first-come, first-served” basis.) After May 1, housing is assigned on a “space-available” basis. The \$200 Advance Payment is refundable if requested in writing by May 15.

Dates to Remember for Fall Application

July 1

- Freshmen applicants may submit materials after completion of their junior year in high school.

October – December

- Notification of admission decisions begins for students with completed applications on October 1.
- Freshmen applicants take SAT or ACT.
- Transfers begin application process.
- Obtain Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).
- December 15 postmark required on all freshmen application materials for those students eligible to apply for the President's and Regents' Scholarship. Eligibility requirements: 3.80+ GPA and 1250+ SAT or 28+ ACT.

President's/Regents' applications are mailed to students in the acceptance packet. It is to your advantage to apply for admission to PLU as early as possible to ensure maximum time to complete the scholarship application by its January 24 deadline.

January – February

- President's/Regents' applications must be postmarked by January 24.
- By January 24, complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). The FAFSA may be mailed to the federal processor indicated on the envelope with your form, or completed online at www.fafsa.ed.gov (PLU's Title IV code is 003785.)
- To be in the first round of financial aid awarding, all admission application materials should be postmarked by February 15.

March/April

- Visit PLU during your spring break.

April

- Financial aid award decisions mailed by PLU.
- Passport Weekend for admitted freshmen.

May

- Advance Payment of \$200 should be postmarked by May 1.

June

- Fall class registration begins.

PLU UNDERGRADUATE APPLICATION

(PLEASE SUBMIT \$35.00 NON-REFUNDABLE APPLICATION FEE WITH APPLICATION.
MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO PLU.)

OFFICE USE ONLY

Fee paid Date_____

Received by_____

Personal Information

1. <input type="checkbox"/> Freshman <input type="checkbox"/> Transfer For admission to (check one): <input type="checkbox"/> Summer/Fall <input type="checkbox"/> January Term/Spring Year: _____	
2. Have you ever applied for admission to Pacific Lutheran University? <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes Year:_____ Term:_____	
Have you previously attended Pacific Lutheran University? <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes Year:_____ Term:_____	
3. Full Legal Name LAST FIRST MIDDLE	4. Social Security Number
5. Former Name (if previous academic records under another name)	6. <input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female
7. Permanent Address NUMBER AND STREET CITY STATE ZIP PHONE (INCLUDE AREA CODE) ()	
8. Mailing Address NUMBER AND STREET CITY STATE ZIP PHONE (INCLUDE AREA CODE) ()	
9. E-Mail Address	
10. Birthdate: Birthplace:	11. Country of Citizenship
12. Visa type/classification	
13. Are you: <input type="checkbox"/> a PLU employee <input type="checkbox"/> a spouse of a PLU employee <input type="checkbox"/> a child of a PLU employee	
14. Are you a child of clergy? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	

Educational Information

15. High school attending or last attended	Location	Graduation date
16. If you do not intend to graduate from high school, indicate highest grade completed and last year attended: Grade:_____ Year:_____ G.E.D. test taken?_____ When?_____		
17. Do you wish to submit any of the following for college credit consideration? <input type="checkbox"/> Washington State Running Start credits <input type="checkbox"/> International Baccalaureate Test results <input type="checkbox"/> Advanced Placement Test results		
18. Are you a National Merit Semi-Finalist or Finalist? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		
19. List all colleges/universities in order of attendance (no exceptions). If still enrolled in a college, indicate leaving date: (mo.)_____ (yr.)_____		
INSTITUTION	CITY	STATE
DATES ATTENDED		DEGREE
DATE COMPLETED		
1. _____	FROM:(MO./YR) _____	TO:(MO./YR) _____
2. _____	FROM:(MO./YR) _____	TO:(MO./YR) _____
3. _____	FROM:(MO./YR) _____	TO:(MO./YR) _____
4. _____	FROM:(MO./YR) _____	TO:(MO./YR) _____
20. Are you a member of the Phi-Theta Kappa Society? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		

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 Pacific Lutheran University
 Tacoma, WA 98447-0003
 Fax (253) 536-5136

Statistical Information

QUESTIONS 21-23 ARE OPTIONAL AND DO NOT AFFECT INDIVIDUAL ADMISSION DECISIONS.

21. How do you describe yourself: Caucasian/White African American Native American/Alaskan Native
 Hispanic American Asian American/Pacific Islander Multi Ethnic
 Other_____

22. Religious preference: Lutheran Home Congregation:_____Synod_____

Baptist Episcopal Methodist Presbyterian Roman Catholic Non-denominational Christian
 Jewish Other_____ None Choose Not to Report

23. Do you plan to apply for financial aid from PLU? Yes No

Family Information

24. Name of: Father Stepfather Legal Guardian LIVING? Yes No

LAST FIRST

25. Address NUMBER AND STREET CITY STATE ZIP

26. Phone (INCLUDE AREA CODE)

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27. Colleges attended by father Degree/Year If not graduated, list years attended

28. Name of: Mother Stepmother Legal Guardian LIVING? Yes No

LAST FIRST

29. Address NUMBER AND STREET CITY STATE ZIP

30. Phone (INCLUDE AREA CODE)

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31. Colleges attended by mother Degree/Year If not graduated, list years attended

32. Please list any siblings who are currently attending or have attended PLU

Future Plans

33. Indicate your educational objective at Pacific Lutheran University:
 First Bachelor's Degree Second Bachelor's Degree
 Courses for personal enrichment Certification Other (specify)

34. Intended major area of study:

35. If undecided, what subject area or careers interest you?

36. Are you applying to PLU through any of the following programs?

Army AAMED Navy MECF
 Army ROTC Army Green to Gold
 Vocational Rehabilitation

37. Do you plan to apply for college residence hall accommodations? Yes No

38. Do you plan to participate in varsity athletics? Yes No Sport_____

39. Do you plan to apply for a PLU artistic achievement award in any of the following areas? *

Art (list specific interest)_____ Forensics
 Music (list specific interest)_____ Theatre

*Please Note: To obtain information about the artistic achievement award process, you must contact the talent area directly, as noted in the PLU Viewbook.

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Current Academic Year Information

To be completed by beginning freshmen and transfer students if currently enrolled in high school or college.
List all courses to be completed during the current academic year.

Personal Essay

40. The personal essay provides an opportunity for you to communicate something important about yourself to us. We are interested in getting to know you as well as possible. This essay will help us become better acquainted with you in ways not possible from test scores, grades, and other data. Using a separate sheet of paper, please write an essay on one of the following topics. Please type or print legibly, and reference your name and Social Security Number.

1. Describe an academic experience that has significantly influenced your life.
2. If you could be any historical or fictional character for one day, whom would you be and why?

Additional Information

41. List your significant school and community activities and awards (if necessary attach additional page referencing name and SSN.)

42. Describe any special circumstances you believe should be considered in connection with this application (if necessary attach additional page referencing name and SSN.)

Signature

I understand failure to submit complete official transcripts from all schools, colleges, or universities attended may result in the denial of this application or my subsequent dismissal from this institution. I certify that to the best of my knowledge, all statements I have made in this application are complete and true. Permission is hereby given to release appropriate test score and academic records requested by Pacific Lutheran University.

NAME OF APPLICANT (PRINT)

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT

DATE

Pacific Lutheran University subscribes to the principles and laws of the State of Washington and the federal government, including applicable executive orders pertaining to civil rights. This institution is committed to the policy that all persons shall have equal access to programs and facilities without regard to age, color, creed, marital status, national or ethnic origin, disabling conditions, race, religion, gender or sexual orientation.



TRANSFER APPLICATION — STATEMENT OF GOOD STANDING

Pacific Lutheran University

TRANSFER APPLICANT:

A) This form must be submitted to PLU before final action can be taken on your application for admission. Please sign the following release and give the form to the Dean of Students at the most recent college you have attended.

"I have applied for admission to PLU for the academic term beginning _____, and I authorize the release of the following information."

Student's Name (please print)

Student's Signature

B) Date of Birth _____
mm / dd / yy

Social Security Number

Dean of Students:

C) The student named above has applied for admission to Pacific Lutheran University. This form must be on file before a final admission decision can be made. Please complete this form and return directly to PLU in an official sealed envelope.

1. When was this student in attendance at your college/university? _____

2. Has the student been:

On scholastic probation?

Yes No

On disciplinary probation?

Yes No

In violation of conduct standards?

Yes No

If yes to any of the above, please explain:

3. May the student continue in good standing at your institution? Yes No
If no, please explain:

4. If known, indicate reason student is leaving your institution:

5. Please report any additional comments on the reverse side of this form.

6. Report based on:

Records only

Close personal contact

Casual contacts/observations

Intensive counseling contacts

By signing this statement of good standing, you are acknowledging that you have the authority to release the above information.

Your name _____ School name _____

Position or title _____ Phone _____

Signature _____ Date _____

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