

Pacific Lutheran University – Academic Unit Heads 2025-2026

College of **Health Professions** – David Ward, Ph.D., Dean

School of **Nursing** – Rhoberta Haley, Ph.D., Dean

Daniel Cline, Ph.D., Associate Dean of Undergraduate Programs (2025-26)

Tiffany Zyniewicz, Ph.D., ABSN Coordinator (2025-26)

Mary Ellen Biggerstaff, DNP, FNP Coordinator (2025-26)

Ricardo Alves Silva, Ph.D., DNP, PMHNP Coordinator (2025-26)

Department of **Kinesiology** – Mallory Mann, Ph.D., Chair (2023-26)

Department of **Marriage and Family Therapy** – Fiona O’Farrell, Ph.D., Chair (2024-27)

Department of **Social Work**

Heidi Brocious, Ph.D., Chair of BSW Program (2023-26)

Anissa Rogers, Ph.D., Chair of MSW Program (2023-26)

College of **Liberal Studies** – Stephanie Johnson, Ph.D., Dean

Department of **Critical Interdisciplinary Studies** - Lisa Marcus, Ph.D., Chair (2025-26)

Gender, Sexuality and Race Studies Program

Hazel Ali Zaman, Ph.D., Interim Director (Fall 2025)

Jenny James, Ph.D., Director (2020-25, Spring 2026)

Holocaust and Genocide Studies Program – Lisa Marcus, Ph.D., Director (2025-26)

Native American & Indigenous Studies Program – Jenny James, Ph.D., Director (2023-26)

Department of **Economics** – Krisztina Nagy, Ph.D., Chair (2024-26)

Department of **English** – Solveig Robinson, Ph.D., Chair (2025-26)

Department of **History** – Rebekah Mergenthal, Ph.D., Chair (2022-26)

Department of **Global and Cultural Studies** – Ami Shah, Ph.D., Chair (2023-26)

Chinese Studies Program – Xi Zhu, Ph.D., Director (2025-26)

French and Francophone Studies Program – Rebecca Wilkin, Ph.D., Director (2015-26)

Global Studies Program – Ami Shah, Ph.D., Director (2023-26)

Hispanic and Latino Studies Program – Carmiña Palerm, Ph.D., Director (2024-26)

Department of **Philosophy** – Michael Schleeter, Ph.D., Chair (2025-26)

Department of **Political Science** – Maria Chávez, Ph.D., Chair (2024-26)

Department of **Religion** – Agnes Choi, Ph.D., Chair (2024-28)

Department of **Sociology & Criminal Justice** – Kate Luther, Ph.D., Chair (2025-26)

MFA in **Creative Writing** Program – Rick Barot, M.F.A., Director

Anthropology Program – Bradford Andrews, Ph.D., Director (2022-26)

Individualized Major – Stephanie Johnson, Ph.D., Dean

Publishing & Printing Arts Program – Solveig Robinson, Ph.D., Director (2004-26)

College of **Natural Sciences** – Ann Auman, Ph.D., Dean

Department of **Biology** – Matt Smith, Ph.D., Chair (2022-26)

Department of **Chemistry** – Tina Saxowsky, Ph.D., Chair (2024-27)

Department of **Computer Science** – Laurie Murphy, M.S., Chair (2023-26)

Department of **Earth Science and Environmental Studies** – Alex Lechler, Ph.D., Chair (2023-26)

Department of **Mathematics** – Ksenija Simic-Muller, Ph.D., Chair (2022-26)

Department of **Physics** – Katrina Hay, Ph.D., Chair (2025-26)

Department of **Psychology** – Tiffany Arttime, Ph.D., Chair (2023-27)

Data Science Program – N. Justice, Ph.D., Director (2025-2026)

Dual Degree Engineering – Bogomil Gerganov, Ph.D., Director (2023-26)

STEM Education Minor – Andrea Munro, Ph.D., Director (2025-26)

College of **Professional Studies** – Cameron Bennett, D.M.A., Dean

School of **Business** – Cameron Bennett, D.M.A., Interim Dean (July 2025-26)

Juanita Reed, M.Ed., Associate Dean for Academic Affairs

School of **Education** – John Wright, Ph.D., Associate Dean (2025-28)

Allison Drago, Ed.D., Executive Director of Educational Leadership Programs

Mary Jo Larsen, Ph.D., Assistant Dean: Director of Assessment, Information Management and Pathways to Teaching

School of **Music, Theatre & Dance** – Brian Galante, D.M.A., Associate Dean (2023-27)

Jeffrey Clapp, M.F.A., Artistic Director of **Theatre & Dance** (2025-26)

Department of **Communication, Media, and Design Arts** – Heather Mathews, Ph.D., Chair (2022-26)

Innovation Studies Program – Junichi Tsuneoka, B.F.A., Director (2024-27)

Academic Core Programs – Scott Rogers, Ph.D., Dean of Assessment and Core Curriculum

First-Year Experience Program – Paul Sutton, Ph.D., Director (2024-27)

International Honors Program – Seth Dowland, Ph.D., Director (2025-29)