

# Student Life

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## About Student Life

### Thrive at APU!

At Azusa Pacific University, our Student Life team of Christ-centered educators believes in the holistic development of all students. Our hope is that learning extends beyond the classroom into all areas of students' lives as they strive to become the person God has called them to be. Through a variety of services and programs, we are dedicated to creating environments and experiences that encourage students throughout their journey to develop a commitment to lifelong learning in the areas of Christian spiritual formation, student engagement, and student wellness. Our desire is for each student to develop a deeper understanding of their identity, faith, academic goals, and vocational pursuits, and to become a difference maker who will impact their communities for Christ.

## Our Three Pillars of Student Development

### Spiritual Formation

We believe that the life-changing good news of Jesus Christ is both an eternal promise and an invitation to be part of God's work in the world now. In the classrooms and the residence halls, on the field and in chapel, around the world and across the street, we are engaging all students in the personal and collective process of being formed in the image of Christ for the sake of others.<sup>1</sup> We foster students' spiritual development by providing opportunities to participate in corporate worship, local and global service, Christian formation, and spiritual care.

<sup>1</sup> Adapted from R. Mullholand, 2016.

### Student Engagement

We believe a student's sense of belonging contributes to their success both inside and outside of the classroom. Each student is a valuable member of our community and their contribution at APU makes a difference. Student Engagement provides a variety of opportunities for students to build meaningful connections with others and contribute to the needs and shared goals of the community.

### Student Wellness

We believe that students who invest in their holistic well-being are more likely to reach their academic and personal potential. We provide Christ-centered wellness services, programs and educational opportunities that empower students and the APU community to thrive physically, emotionally, socially and spiritually.

## Resources

- Campus Life (<http://catalog.apu.edu/student-resources/graduate-professional/student-affairs/campus-life/>)
- Commuter Life (<http://catalog.apu.edu/student-resources/graduate-professional/student-affairs/commuter-life/>)
- Disability Grievance Policy for Students (<http://catalog.apu.edu/policies-procedures/university/disability-grievance-students/>)
- Graduate and Professional Spiritual Life (<http://catalog.apu.edu/student-resources/graduate-professional/student-affairs/graduate-professional-spiritual-life/>)
- Graduate and Professional Student Community Expectations (<http://catalog.apu.edu/policies-procedures/graduate/graduate-professional-student-community-expectations/>)
- Graduate and Professional Student Engagement (<http://catalog.apu.edu/student-resources/graduate-professional/student-affairs/graduate-professional-student-engagement/>)
- Health Insurance (<http://catalog.apu.edu/student-resources/graduate-professional/student-affairs/health-insurance/>)
- International Services (<http://catalog.apu.edu/student-resources/graduate-professional/student-affairs/international-center/>)
- University Counseling Center (<http://catalog.apu.edu/student-resources/university/university-counseling-center/>)