

# The Facts About Seattle Pacific University

Seattle Pacific  
is a flourish-  
ing Christian  
university of  
the liberal  
arts, sciences



and professions. As a community of learners, SPU remains committed to the evangelical Christian faith while preparing students for lives of scholarship, service and leadership.

Founded in 1891 by the Free Methodist Church of North America, the University continues to meet the needs of a broad range of educational and Christian constituencies.

The information throughout this publication is based on Autumn Quarter 1999 statistics, unless otherwise noted.



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## Academic Profile

Seattle Pacific University is fully accredited by the Washington State Board of Education; the Northwest Association of Schools and Colleges; the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education; the National League for Nursing; the Washington State Nursing Care Quality Assurance Commission; Accreditation Board for Engineering and Technology; and the American Dietetic Association Council on Education.

SPU is a member of the Christian College Consortium, the Christian College Coalition, the Association of American Colleges, the American Association of Colleges for Teacher Education, and the National Association of Schools of Music.

### Academic Schools

College of Arts and Sciences  
Fine Arts  
Humanities and Religion  
Science and Engineering  
Social and Behavioral Sciences  
Professional Schools  
Business and Economics  
Education  
Health Sciences

### Academic Programs

Undergraduate Majors ..... 56  
Undergraduate Minors ..... 37  
Master's Degree Programs ..... 10  
Doctoral Programs ..... 2

### Class Size

75 percent of the Autumn Quarter 1999 undergraduate classes had enrollments of 30 or less.

### Top 10 Undergraduate Programs

*By Declared Major*  
1. Teacher Certification  
2. Nursing  
3. Business Administration  
4. Psychology  
5. Computer Science  
6. Electrical Engineering  
7. Communication  
8. English  
9. Biology  
10. Sociology

### Graduate Areas of Specialization

Business Administration (M.B.A.)  
Clinical Psychology (Psy.D.)  
Curriculum and Instruction (M.Ed.)  
Doctor of Education (Ed.D.)  
Marriage and Family Therapy (M.S.)  
Nurse Practitioner  
Nursing Leadership (M.S.N.)  
Information Systems Management (M.S.)  
School Administration (M.Ed.)  
School Counseling (M.Ed.)  
Teaching (M.A.)

Teaching English to Speakers  
(M.A.) of Other Languages  
Physical Education (M.S.)

**Student-Faculty Ratio** ..... 16:1

### Faculty

Full-time ..... 156  
Part-time ..... 73  
Total ..... 229

94 percent of the full-time faculty at SPU have doctoral degrees or the terminal degrees in their field.

### Degrees Awarded 1998-99

Doctoral Degrees (Ed.D., Psy.D.) ..... 11  
Master's Degrees (M.A., M.S., M.Ed.,  
M.B.A., M.C.M.) ..... 133  
Bachelor's Degrees (B.A., B.S.) ..... 462  
Total ..... 606

## Enrollment Statistics

### Headcount

Undergraduate ..... 2,636  
Post-Baccalaureate and Graduate ..... 791  
Total ..... 3,427

### FTE (Full-Time Equivalency)

Undergraduate ..... 2,646  
Post-Baccalaureate and Graduate ..... 454  
Total ..... 3,100

### New Student Enrollment

UNDERGRADUATES ONLY  
First-Time Freshmen ..... 570  
New Transfers ..... 234  
Total ..... 804

### Continuing Education

Summer 1999 Headcount  
Total ..... 7,558

### Retention Rate (Persistence)

80 percent of Autumn Quarter 1998 full-time first-time freshmen re-enrolled for Autumn Quarter 1999.

### Total Enrollment Comparison

NORTHWEST PRIVATE REGIONAL  
UNIVERSITIES  
Gonzaga University ..... 4,435  
Pacific Lutheran University ..... 3,602  
**Seattle Pacific University** ..... **3,427**  
Seattle University ..... 5,857  
University of Portland ..... 2,842  
University of Puget Sound ..... 2,973

**Average High School GPA of Entering Freshmen** ..... 3.58

**Average SAT Scores of Entering Freshmen**  
**NATIONAL**  
 Average ..... 1016  
**WASHINGTON STATE**  
 Average ..... 1051  
**SPU**  
 Average ..... 1140

**Number of National Merit Students Enrolled** ..... 24

**Gender**  
**UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS**  
 Men ..... 905  
 Women ..... 1,731  
  
**GRADUATE STUDENTS**  
 Men ..... 273  
 Women ..... 518

**Median Age of Students**  
 Undergraduate ..... 21  
 Post-Baccalaureate and Graduate ..... 32  
 All Students ..... 21

**Number of Commuter Students**  
 Undergraduate ..... 1,135

**Number of Resident Students**  
 Undergraduate ..... 1,501

**Student Population**

**Geographic Origin (Residency)**  
**UNITED STATES**  
*State*                      *Number of Students*  
 Washington ..... 2,339  
 Oregon ..... 306  
 California ..... 218  
 Colorado ..... 57  
 Idaho ..... 57  
 Alaska ..... 41  
 Other States ..... 212  
 Resident Alien ..... 55

**FOREIGN COUNTRIES**  
*Country*                      *Number of Students*  
 Korea ..... 13  
 Japan ..... 26  
 Taiwan ..... 12  
 China ..... 10  
 Canada ..... 9  
 Thailand ..... 4  
 Hong Kong ..... 5  
 Cameroon ..... 4  
 Other Countries ..... 46  
 Unknown ..... 13

Students enroll at SPU from 40 states and 39 foreign countries.

**Ethnic Background**  
 Caucasian ..... 2,775  
 Asian American, Pacific Islander ..... 192  
 African American ..... 60  
 Hispanic ..... 71  
 Native American ..... 18  
 Native Alaskan ..... 8  
 Non-U.S. Citizen ..... 142  
 Unknown ..... 161

**Denominational Preference**  
**UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS**  
 Non-Denominational/Independent ..... 535  
 Baptist ..... 312  
 Presbyterian ..... 229  
 Catholic ..... 150  
 Free Methodist ..... 120  
 Lutheran ..... 126  
 Christian Church ..... 88  
 Assembly of God ..... 128  
 Foursquare ..... 124  
 Nazarene ..... 83  
 Covenant ..... 68  
 Other (Including Non-Christian) ..... 673

**Financial & Other Information**

**Budget and Finance**  
 All data for year ending June 30, 1999  
 Total Expenditures ..... \$46,819,000  
 Total Gift Income ..... \$6,936,000  
 Total Assets ..... \$140,013,000  
 Endowment ..... \$30,717,000

**Student Charges**  
 Textbooks and Supplies ..... \$219  
 Tuition ..... \$4,978  
 Room and Board ..... \$1,908  
 Per Quarter Total ..... \$7,105

**Financial Aid**  
 Approximately 60 percent of all SPU undergraduate students receive need-based financial aid. Approximately 75 percent of SPU's students work part-time while in school.

**Sources of Aid Awarded, 1998-1999**  
 State and Federal Grants, Loans and Work-Study ..... \$15,023,961  
 SPU-Funded Scholarships and Grants ..... \$10,195,456  
 Total ..... \$25,219,417

**Sports**  
**INTERCOLLEGIATE ATHLETICS**  
 As members of the NCAA Division II, SPU offers the following intercollegiate sports:  
 Men's Basketball  
 Men's Crew  
 Men's Soccer  
 Men's Track and Field  
 Men's Cross Country  
 Women's Basketball  
 Women's Crew

Women's Gymnastics  
 Women's Track and Field  
 Women's Cross Country  
 Women's Volleyball  
**INTRAMURAL SPORTS**  
 65 men's, women's and co-ed activities

**Staff**  
 Full-time ..... 286  
 Part-time ..... 16

**Facilities**  
 35-acre Seattle main campus  
 965-acre wilderness campus on Blakely Island in the San Juan Islands  
 150-acre Camp Casey on Whidbey Island

**Alumni**  
 The total number of living alumni is 27,437

**Administration**

Philip Eaton, Ph.D.  
*President*  
 Bruce Murphy, Ph.D.  
*Provost*  
 Marj Johnson, M.A.  
*Vice President for University Relations*  
 Robert McIntosh  
*Vice President for University Advancement*  
 Donald Mortenson, M.B.A., C.P.A.  
*Vice President for Business and Planning*  
 Kathleen Braden, Ph.D.  
*Associate Provost / Dean of Students*

**Academic Deans**

Tom Trzyna Ph.D.  
*Associate Provost*  
 Martin Abbott, Ph.D.  
*College of Arts and Sciences*  
 Alexander Hill, J.D.  
*School of Business and Economics*  
 Lucille Kelley, Ph.D.  
*School of Health Sciences*  
 Mark Pitts, Ph.D.  
*School of Education*