WELCOME

At Liberty, you have the unique opportunity to study with world-class faculty in a distinctively Christian environment. A graduate degree from Liberty will enable you to meet the highest standards and to do so in a way that glorifies and serves God.

The crown jewel of Liberty’s Graduate School is its faculty. Our graduate faculty members hold terminal degrees from some of the best universities in the world. Many of them are prominent scholars or internationally recognized experts in their disciplines. All continually seek to integrate academic excellence with their Christian faith, and all are dedicated to helping you — the students — do the same.

Dr. Ronald E. Hawkins  
Vice President for Academic Affairs and Vice Provost  
Liberty University

OUR MISSION

The Graduate School at Liberty guides the university’s schools and academic departments in developing and maintaining distinctively Christian and academically challenging graduate programs.

Our Doctrinal Beliefs | Our Statement of Purpose

OUR HOME

Our Campus  
Liberty’s more than 7,000-acre campus includes a diverse range of academic, recreational, and athletic facilities.

Digital Campus Map | Recreational Facilities Listing

Our City  
Liberty University is nestled in the foothills of the beautiful Blue Ridge Mountains and located on the south bank of the historic James River, a region rich in history, culture, and outdoor recreational opportunities. With a stable economy, top ranking school systems, low cost of living, and a wealth of recreational activities, Central Virginia has something for everyone.

To learn more about Lynchburg, visit www.DiscoverLynchburg.org.

LIFE AT LIBERTY

Spiritual Programs

Convocation  
Convocation is the largest weekly gathering of Christian young people in the world, and each year it plays host to speakers of national significance from every sphere of influence. Topics stimulate dialogue and sharpen inquisitive minds as students learn to engage and discuss important issues of the day, not only in their individual areas of expertise, but all along the academic spectrum.

Campus Church Services  
Campus Church services are held at Thomas Road Baptist Church at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesdays.
Online Communities
Online Communities exists to engage students and be a source of spiritual encouragement. Resources include a devotional blog, prayer support, opportunities to connect professionally, and more.

Ministry Impact
Ministry Impact gives students the opportunity to hear from experienced ministry professionals on topics relating to real-life ministry demands. The sessions are offered on select Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays at 10 a.m. in the Towns-Alumni Lecture Hall.

Center For Global Engagement
The Center for Global Engagement seeks to foster awareness and engagement between Liberty students and the world through academic programs, cross-cultural internships, short-term mission trips, and a variety of other resources and mentorship opportunities.

Campus Recreation
Whether you’re seeking a heart-pounding motocross ride or a casual game of soccer, Campus Recreation connects you to all Liberty has to offer.

Student Activities
Student Activities provides a variety of entertainment opportunities, including concerts featuring some of the biggest names in Christian music, such as Switchfoot, Third Day, Building 429, Newsboys, Jars of Clay, Skillet, and Casting Crowns. Other activities include Open Mic Nights, movie nights, and outdoor recreation such as whitewater rafting, skating, horseback riding, and hiking.

Campus Recreation Facilities
Liberty University provides many facilities for students to socialize, including LaHaye Student Union, the Tilley Student Center, David’s Place, LaHaye Ice Center, and others.

Club Sports
Liberty’s 32 Club Sports give student-athletes the opportunity to compete against colleges and universities in sports such as hockey, skiing and snowboarding, gymnastics, paintball, archery, crew, and more.

Intramural Sports
Intramural sports are offered as recreational leagues that allow students to participate in a variety of team and individual sports. The primary goals of intramural sports are health and exercise, social interaction, healthy competition, stress reduction, sportsmanship, and teamwork.

Outdoor Recreation

Liberty Mountain Trail System
The Liberty Mountain Trail System consists of more than 50 miles of single and double tracks for running and biking.

Liberty Mountain Snowflex Centre
The Liberty Mountain Snowflex Centre is the country’s premier point for year-round skiing, snowboarding, and tubing. Offering beginner, intermediate, and advanced slopes, this high-performance playground also boasts a rustic 2-story lodge, the perfect place to relax after hitting the mountain. It is the first of its kind in the U.S.

Ivy Lake
Ivy Lake, located in Forest, Va., 25 minutes from Liberty’s campus, spans 112 acres with a 6,000-square-foot beach. This is a great spot for fishing, canoeing, or picnicking with friends.
Motocross Track
The Motocross Track includes more than 1 mile of track and 9 miles of double/single track trails. Students can use the track at no cost, but must first successfully complete a safety course.

Intercollegiate Athletics

Athletics Programs
Liberty offers 20 NCAA Division I athletics programs, giving student-athletes the opportunity to compete at the highest level of intercollegiate athletics. The Flames have won 125 Big South Championships and six individual national championships since 1991.

Student Flames Club
For students who are passionate about Liberty Athletics, the Student Flames Club (SFC) provides members with activities that connect them to their teams and enhance the pregame atmosphere. The SFC helps to increase enthusiasm and support for our athletics programs among the entire student body.

RESIDENT STUDENTS

Resident Graduate Admissions
Phone: (877) 298-9617
Fax: (434) 522-0430
ResidentGraduate@liberty.edu
Hancock Welcome Center
Monday-Friday, 8 a.m.-7 p.m. EST
Mailing Address:
Liberty University
Office of Resident Graduate Admissions
1971 University Blvd.
Lynchburg, Va. 24515
International Graduate Student Admissions | Graduate International Admissions Counselor
Office of International Admissions
e-mail: international@liberty.edu
Fax: (434) 522-0430, 24 hours a day, seven days a week

Academic Information and Policies
Graduate academic information and policies can be found in the Graduate Catalog.
Additional information regarding the university's academic and administrative policies and procedures can be found on the Registrar's website.

Appeal Policies and Procedures
Use the following links for more information about appeal policies and procedures:
• Resident graduate grade appeals
• Resident graduate Code of Honor appeals
• Academic amnesty appeals
• Student Account appeal policy
• Financial Aid appeal and complaint policy
• General policy for resident graduate student complaints
Resident students may submit appeals to:
Resident Advocate’s Office
www.Liberty.edu/SAO
StudentAdvocate@liberty.edu
(434) 582-7200
Liberty University
DeMoss Hall, Room 2247
1971 University Blvd.
Lynchburg, Va. 24515

ONLINE STUDENTS

Online Graduate Admissions
Phone: (800) 424-9595
Fax: (888) 301-3577

LUOAdmissions@liberty.edu
Monday-Friday, 8 a.m.-10 p.m. EST
Saturday, 10 a.m.-9 p.m. EST

Mailing Address:
Online Graduate Admissions
1971 University Blvd.
Lynchburg, Va. 24515

Registration
Online students can register for their courses with the assistance of an academic advisor.

Graduate Advising
Phone: (800) 424-9595
Fax: (800) 628-7977

Textbooks and Software
Course materials for online classes are available through the following bookstores:

MBS Direct
(800) 325-3252
Fax: (800) 499-0143
+1 (573) 441-9179 (international students)

Course materials for on-campus intensives are available through Liberty University Barnes & Noble Bookstore
Phone (434) 582-2316
Email kscarborough1@ liberty.edu

Online Graduate Academic Information and Policies
Graduate Academic Information and Policies are found in the Graduate Catalog.
Online Academic Policies contain the following:

• Honor Code
• Withdrawal Policy
• Grade Appeal Process
• FERPA Act Confidentiality of Student Records
• Privacy and FERPA
**Appeal Policies and Procedures**
The following are found in the Appeal Policies and Procedures:

- Online grade appeals
- Online academic honesty appeals
- Academic amnesty appeals
- Student Accounts appeal policy
- Financial Aid appeal and complaint policy
- General policy for online undergraduate and graduate student complaints

For online students, appeals and Administrative Adjustment Appeal Forms may be submitted to:

Online Advocate’s Office

Liberty University
1971 University Blvd.
Lynchburg, Va. 24515
Fax: (800) 628-7977

**Financial Aid Policies**
Visit the Financial Aid Policies Web page to find the following:

- Financial Aid appeal and complaint policy
- Satisfactory academic progress (SAP) policy
- Refund Policy

Online Student Support for helpful information and links:

- Online Communities
- Student Service Center
- Student Advocate Office
- Academic Support
- FAQ
- Card Services
- Alumni Relations

**GRADUATE STUDENT RESOURCES**

**Graduate Student Affairs**
The Graduate Student Affairs website provides the following helpful links for graduate students:

- Academic Calendar
- Appeal policies and procedures
- Calendar of Events
- Campus facilities
- Career Center
- Clubs and Organizations
- Commuter Affairs
- Graduate Student Assistant Handbook
- Graduate Student Honor Code (graduate students who live off campus)
- Guide for Living Off Campus
- Health Services
- Life at Liberty
- Online Honor Code (online graduate students)
- Student Housing
- The Center for Writing and Languages
- The Liberty Way (Honor Code for on-campus graduate students)
Additional Graduate Student Resources

The American Association of Christian Counselors Student Chapter (AACC)
The student chapter of the American Association of Christian counselors seeks to foster the spiritual and professional development of students interested in the counseling or pastoral care fields. Monthly meetings focus on topics integrating Christianity and psychology, and clinical training workshops sponsored by the Liberty AACC chapter also occur. No membership fee is required to attend meetings.

Automobile Registration
Any vehicle owned or operated on campus must have a current Liberty University parking decal properly displayed on the vehicle. Students can obtain parking decals by registering their vehicles through the Liberty University Police Department.

Campus Alert System
Liberty University has implemented the Campus Alert System. This system allows all university constituents to receive notification the moment an emergency situation occurs on campus. Messages can be transmitted to cell, home, and work phones, or email addresses. Specific notifications for emergency road closures, fires, school closings, and severe weather are also features of this system. To receive emergency notifications, register through your ASIST account.

Flames Pass
The Flames Pass is the official Liberty University ID card. The university has partnered with Higher One to provide the optional OneAccount, an FDIC-insured checking account. If the OneAccount is opened, the Liberty OneCard becomes a debit card and can be used to make purchases anywhere MasterCard is accepted. When the student receives their Liberty OneCard they must ‘activate’ it and select one of the refund preferences available. Visit the Flames Pass website for more information.

Students can use Flames Cash to print on campus.
All resident student book vouchers will be converted into Flames Cash if they are not used by the deadline. Flames Cash is a declining balance account. Any funds deposited into this account can be spent with any participating merchant both on and off campus.

International Student Center
The International Student Center is the primary location for information and activities for international students. Foreign-student advisors, the international student advocate office, the international student program coordinator, and the international student health insurance office are all housed in the International Student Center.

Liberty University Police Department
(434) 592-7641 (nonemergencies)
(434) 592-3911 (emergencies)
Liberty University Police Department (LUPD) is located in the southwest corner of Green Hall. They provide 24/7 protection by police, security, and medical service personnel to properties owned or controlled by the university.

Student Advocate Office
The Student Advocate Office is committed to making the student experience at Liberty University both positive and life changing. The office helps students take advantage of every opportunity to succeed, and overcome obstacles on the journey from enrollment through graduation.

Student Intensives
Intensive course schedules, enrollment procedures, tuition and fees, transportation, and lodging information are all available online.
IT Customer Support
IT Customer Support provides technical support to the Liberty University community and works with faculty, staff, and students to better serve their technological needs.

IT Help Desk
The IT Help Desk assists students with computer problems by phone, remote assistance, or walk-in service.

IT Marketplace
The Marketplace provides a single location to purchase laptops, software, and computer gear at discounted prices.

IT Testing & Training Center
The center offers certification testing in Cisco, Apple, Oracle, and more to faculty, staff, students, and the general public.

Liberty Transit Services
Buses operate more than 150 hours per week, and service is as frequent as every three minutes. Liberty’s partnership with the Greater Lynchburg Transit Company (GLTC) to operate the campus transit system allows all current resident students and employees to ride the bus on campus and around Lynchburg free of charge. Liberty Transit also provides a carpool program and free park-and-ride options.

Health Services
Centra Health offers family and occupational medical service to all students, staff, and faculty at Liberty. The office is located in Green Hall, and many insurance providers are accepted.

Dining Services
Dining Services offers locations throughout the campus. Commuter students purchase meal plans on a semester basis.

Online Student Library Services
The Jerry Falwell Library offers many support services for online students. Library staff can help students select appropriate databases, retrieve sources on a specific topic, and develop search skills. A full-time online librarian is available weekdays. During evening and weekend hours, students can contact the Library Service Center online. Students can contact the library by email at research@liberty.edu or by phone at (434) 582-2221 or (800) 424-9595.

Liberty Postal Services
The Liberty Post Office is located in Green Hall.

Office of Disability Academic Support (ODAS)
Under the umbrella of the Center for Academic Support and Advising Services (CASAS), the Office of Disability Academic Support was created to coordinate academic support services for Liberty University students with documented disabilities. ODAS offers accommodations such as extended time for test-taking and providing help with note-taking in class. ODAS also provides support for those who are deaf or hard of hearing.

Online ODAS
The Online Office of Disability Academic Support coordinates support services for online students with documented disabilities. Under Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, the office provides “reasonable” accommodations and creates equal program access to all students. The office works in conjunction with students and faculty to ensure that reasonable accommodations are made for students with documented disabilities.
Resident Graduate Student Advocate
The Resident Student Advocate Office is a one-stop-shop for answering questions related to financial aid, housing, account holds and balances, personal issues, and roommate conflicts. The office works with other departments to help get your questions answered.

Student Service Center
The Student Service Center (SSC), located in Green Hall, houses the offices of Financial Aid, Student Accounts, and the Registrar.

The Center for Writing and Languages
The Center for Writing and Languages is home to the Graduate Writing Center (GWC) for residential students and the Graduate & Undergraduate Online Writing Center. The Graduate Writing Center, located in Green Hall, Room 2750, is open Monday-Friday, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. The center offers tutoring services to help students develop skills and competence in the technical aspects of writing. Tutors work with students for an hour, offer suggestions after reviewing a writing sample, and teach skills rather than proofread or physically edit the text. Students can reach the GWC by email at graduatewriting@liberty.edu or by phone at (434) 592-4727.

The Graduate & Undergraduate Online Writing Center helps online students identify, understand, and improve their academic writing strengths and weaknesses.

Institutional Review Board (IRB)
Liberty University’s Institutional Review Board (IRB) protects people who take part in research studies affiliated with the university. The IRB examines each study’s design to insure that it is ethical and legal, does not involve unnecessary risks, and includes adequate safeguards for research participants.

Documents and Manuals
The following documents and manuals can be viewed and/or downloaded:

- Graduate Catalog
- The Liberty Way – Graduate students who live on campus
- Graduate Student Honor Code – Graduate students who live off campus
- Online Honor Code – Online undergraduate and graduate students
- Appeal policies and procedures