ABOUT NATIONAL UNIVERSITY

National University, founded in 1971, is among the largest private, nonprofit institutions of higher education in California. With more than 150,000 alumni, National University is the flagship institution of the National University System. National University is dedicated to making lifelong learning opportunities accessible, challenging, and relevant to a diverse population of students, reflecting its mission of serving the public good. National University is headquartered in La Jolla, California and offers programs both online and at its many campuses. National University is also the home of the Sanford Education Center, established in 2014 through the generous support of philanthropist T. Denny Sanford to provide innovative programs in the nonprofit and PreK-12 sector.

A Quality Education that is Flexible and Accessible

National University offers a unique “one-course-per-month” format, and programs are available on-site, online, or through a hybrid combination.

• Courses can be taken at more than two dozen locations throughout California, and in Henderson, Nevada.
• More than 100 programs, and most of them available online
• In addition, the University has more than 50 academic partnerships with private and public organizations to provide courses at their work sites

Our Schools and Colleges

National University offers more than 100 graduate and undergraduate degrees and 23 teacher credentials and licensures, in addition to certificates.

• The Sanford College of Education is the 10th largest school of education in the country and recommends more candidates for teaching credentials in California than any other university in the state.
• The School of Engineering and Computing is among a select group of schools that have been named a National Center of Academic Excellence in Cyber Defense Education by the NSA/Department of Homeland Security.
• The College of Letters and Sciences includes faculty members who are Fulbright Scholars, published authors and award-winning artists.
• The School of Business and Management offers a master’s degree in Human Resource Management that is recognized by the Society for Human Resource Management (SHRM).
• The School of Health and Human Services has received over $2 million in grants to develop programs that will train more veterans to be nurses and expand virtual healthcare clinics in Southern California.
• The School of Professional Studies offers a unique Homeland Security and Emergency Management program that provides skills to handle emergency situations from natural disasters to terrorism.

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Our Students
National University provides quality education opportunities for professional adults and students who are balancing family, work and other demands.

- The average age of students is 32/33
- About 40 percent of students identify as white, 25 percent as Hispanic, 11 percent as Black/African American, and 9 percent as Asian
- National University has been designated as an Hispanic-Serving Institution
- Approximately 25 percent of students are active duty or have previously served in the military

Our Alumni
National University’s alumni are leaders and innovators in their communities.

- About 100 alumni in school districts throughout California have been named district Teacher of the Year, and 15 alumni have been named California Teacher of the Year.
- At least a dozen National University alumni are recent or current police chiefs.
- Elected government officials who are National University graduates include the former mayor of Escondido and former mayor of San Diego.

Accreditations
As part of its commitment to academic excellence, National University has institutional and programmatic accreditations, including:

- WASC Senior College and University Commission
- Council for Higher Education Accreditation
- National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education
- Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education
- International Assembly of Collegiate Business Education
- Council on Education for Public Health

National University Academic Leadership
- Dr. Michael R. Cunningham, Chancellor of National University System
- Dr. David Andrews, President of National University
- Provost Dr. Gangaram Singh
- Dr. John Cicero, Dean of the School of Engineering and Computing
- Dr. Daniel Donaldson, Dean of the School of Professional Studies
- Dr. Judy Mantle, Dean of the Sanford College of Education
- Dr. Gloria McNeal, Dean of the School of Health and Human Services
- Dr. Alfred Ntoko, Dean of the School of Business and Management
- Dr. Carol Richardson, Dean of the College of Letters and Science