
FACT SHEET

Loyola Marymount University was founded in 1911 and moved in 1929 to the Westchester neighborhood of Los Angeles. The original campus in Westchester was donated to LMU to benefit the growing community by providing local access to education and creating a stable base for the neighborhood. The original campus still comprises the core of the campus and includes such facilities as the Sacred Heart Chapel and the Sunken Garden.

LMU has since evolved and grown to include the Leavey Campus, which contains the Leavey Residential Village, the Drollinger parking facility and the William H. Hannon Library, which is currently under construction. The Hughes Campus, home to University Hall, serves as the main entry to the university off Lincoln Boulevard. The campus today includes 142 acres.

The majority of LMU's buildings were built between the late 1950s and 1970s. The existing facilities on the LMU campus total approximately 2.7 million square feet. Of this, about 1.8 million square feet are nonresidential facilities. These nonresidential uses include teaching spaces, libraries, offices, seminar rooms, laboratories and sports facilities. The other 940,000 square feet are undergraduate residential facilities. The university also currently has approximately 4,000 parking spaces. A survey of the education needs of the university and a survey of campus facilities concluded that the campus is in need of modernization in order to meet the educational requirements for teaching its students. In response, LMU has formulated a Master Plan to guide the next 20 years of campus improvements.

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The LMU Master Plan not only describes necessary facility improvements, but also creates a vision informed and embraced by all parts of the university. This Master Plan seeks to improve the quality of LMU's campus as a whole, including places of teaching, learning, researching, socializing, competing and living, making the whole greater than the sum of its parts. The Master Plan will not change LMU's student enrollment or increase its acreage, but it proposes to upgrade, renovate and replace a substantial portion of the existing campus facilities over the next 20 years.

The goals of the LMU Master Plan are the following:

- Establish academic facilities capable of meeting the demands of the 21st century and adapting to the academic and other goals of the university.
- Identify and enhance the character and quality of the LMU campus.
- Maximize integration of all three campuses to improve the operation and environment of the university.
- Enhance the aesthetic appearance of the entry into the campus core.
- Improve the efficacy of buildings to allow LMU to achieve its academic mandate and optimize existing land resources.
- Provide greater opportunities for on-campus undergraduate student housing to create a more cohesive student community.
- Improve overall campus sustainability through increased use of water and energy-efficient building systems and drought-tolerant landscaping.

LMU has been a fixture in the Westchester community since the 1920s, and LMU and the community have grown and thrived together. The Master Plan provides a vision for the university's improvements over the next 20 years. As such, we look forward to continuing to serve as a resource in the neighborhood and beyond.

For additional information, please visit our Web site at www.lmu.edu/masterplan.

