More than 190 degree and certificate programs delivered online. *

Undergraduate Certificates
APU offers more than 40 undergraduate academic certificates. Certificate programs are typically comprised of 6 courses and focus on subject areas ranging from environmental risk assessment to business essentials for the security executive.

- Health Sciences
  - Computer Systems and Networks
  - Corrections Management
  - Environmental Health
  - Cybercrime Essentials
  - Digital Forensics
  - Emergency Management
  - Environmental Technology
  - Fire Science
  - Family Studies
  - Financial Aid
  - Hazardous Waste Management

- Homeland Security
  - Homeland Security
  - Human Resource Management
  - Humanitarian Aid
  - Cybersecurity and Privacy
  - Information Security
  - Information Systems Security Essentials
  - Instructional Design and Delivery
  - Intelligence Analysis
  - Internet Webmaster
  - IT Infrastructure Security
  - IT Project Management Essentials
  - Law Enforcement Leadership
  - Meeting and Event Planning
  - Microsoft Access Database Applications
  - Microsoft Office Applications
  - Military Leadership Studies
  - Mobile Computing
  - Paralegal Studies
  - Public Law
  - Real Estate Management
  - Regional and Community Planning
  - Restaurant Operations
  - Retail Management
  - Security Management
  - Space Studies
  - Supply Chain Leadership
  - Sustainability
  - Terrorism Studies
  - United Nations
  - Visual Basic Application Development
  - Visual Communications
  - Weapons of Mass Destruction Preparedness
  - Web 2.0
  - Web Publishing

Graduate Certificates
APU offers more than 40 graduate academic certificates. Certificate programs are typically comprised of 6 courses and focus on subject areas ranging from American history and strategic leadership to athletic administration and logistics management.

- American History
  - American Revolution
  - Ancient and Classical History
  - Athletic Administration
  - Business Essentials for the Security Executive
  - Civil War Studies
  - Competitive Intelligence
  - Counterintelligence
  - Cybercrime
  - Cybersecurity
  - Digital Forensics
  - Emergency and Disaster Management
  - Emergency Management Executive Leadership
  - Environmental Hazards Mitigation and Restoration
  - Environmental Planning and Design
  - Environmental Risk Assessment
  - Financial Aid
  - Homeland Security
  - Human Resource Management
  - Humanitarian Aid
  - Cybersecurity and Privacy
  - Information Security
  - Information Systems Security Essentials
  - Instructional Design and Delivery
  - Intelligence Analysis
  - Internet Webmaster
  - IT Infrastructure Security
  - IT Project Management Essentials
  - Law Enforcement Leadership
  - Meeting and Event Planning
  - Microsoft Access Database Applications
  - Microsoft Office Applications
  - Military Leadership Studies
  - Mobile Computing
  - Paralegal Studies
  - Public Law
  - Real Estate Management
  - Regional and Community Planning
  - Restaurant Operations
  - Retail Management
  - Security Management
  - Space Studies
  - Space Science
  - Sports Management
  - Supply Chain Leadership
  - Sustainability
  - Terrorism Studies
  - United Nations
  - Visual Basic Application Development
  - Visual Communications
  - Weapons of Mass Destruction Preparedness
  - Web 2.0
  - Web Publishing

Associate Degrees
Associate programs are designed for students who seek a 2-year degree as either their final degree in higher education or the foundation for further study at the bachelor's level. An associate degree typically requires 64-66 credit hours (20 courses and 1-4 labs). Students must have a high school diploma or equivalent to be admitted to an associate degree program.

- Accounting
- Business Administration
- Communications
- Criminal Justice
- Cybersecurity
- Cybercrime
- Criminal Justice
- Database Application Development
- Early Childhood Education
- Emergency Operations
- Emergency Management
- Ethics
- Family Studies
- Financial Aid
- Homeland Security
- Homeland Security
- Human Development and Family Studies
- Hospitality Management
- Intelligence Analysis
- Intelligence Studies
- Information Technology
- Internet Webmaster
- IT Infrastructure Security
- IT Project Management Essentials
- Law Enforcement Leadership
- Meeting and Event Planning
- Microsoft Access Database Applications
- Microsoft Office Applications
- Military Leadership Studies
- Mobile Computing
- Paralegal Studies
- Public Law
- Real Estate Management
- Retail Management
- Security Management
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Bacheror’s Degrees
APU offers Bachelor of Science and Bachelor of Arts degrees that require between 120 and 124 credit hours (39-40 courses and 1-4 labs) depending on the program. Students must have a high school degree or equivalent to be admitted to a bachelor’s degree program.

- Accounting
- Business Administration
- Communications
- Criminal Justice
- Cybersecurity
- Cybercrime
- Criminal Justice
- Database Application Development
- Early Childhood Education
- Emergency Operations
- Emergency Management
- Ethics
- Family Studies
- Financial Aid
- Homeland Security
- Homeland Security
- Human Development and Family Studies
- Hospitality Management
- Intelligence Analysis
- Intelligence Studies
- Information Technology
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Master’s Degrees
Master’s programs range from 36-48 credit hours (12-15 courses) and require a comprehensive exam, a thesis, or an integrative practicum. Students must have completed a bachelor’s degree from an accredited institution to be admitted to a master’s program. In addition, some graduate programs, such as the Master of Education, have specific admission and program requirements.

- Accounting
- Business Administration
- Communications
- Criminal Justice
- Cybersecurity
- Cybercrime
- Criminal Justice
- Database Application Development
- Early Childhood Education
- Emergency Operations
- Emergency Management
- Ethics
- Family Studies
- Financial Aid
- Homeland Security
- Homeland Security
- Human Development and Family Studies
- Hospitality Management
- Intelligence Analysis
- Intelligence Studies
- Information Technology
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- IT Project Management Essentials
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*Practicum may be required.

**Elective hour(s) required.

**Major hour(s) required.

***Practicum may be required.

****Major hour(s) required.

*****Integrative practicum.
A Tradition of Excellence
American Public University (APU) is a leading provider of quality, affordable online education to motivated students worldwide. Recognized by the Online Learning Consortium (OLC) for best practices in online education—we earned our reputation by never forgetting our students are priority one. While education costs have risen sharply around the world, our rates are economical and an undergraduate book grant is available. Our global learning community and you’ll be connected to more than 100,000 scholars and learn from many faculty members who are experts in their industry. We continuously consult with industry leaders through our advisory councils to verify that our curriculum addresses current practices and technologies that are career relevant. No matter where you live, work, and learn—you’ll always be welcomed with our tradition for exceptional service and support at APU.

What Sets APU Apart
Whether you’re returning to the classroom after several years, seeking additional academic credentials to be more competitive in the workplace, or simply wish to obtain your degree for personal reasons—our programs are designed to help you build a strong foundation to compete in today’s global marketplace. You can complete your degree from virtually anywhere on earth—enabling you to fight a quality education into your life. APU is:

Respected
American Public University is a part of American Public University System (APUS), which is accredited by the Higher Learning Commission, USA (www.hlcommission.org, 312-263-0456).
• Our faculty combines academic excellence and research-based best practices with professional expertise.
• APU bachelor’s programs were ranked in the top 10% in U.S. News & World Report’s 2015 national online rankings.
• We’ve been nationally recognized as the unprecedented four-time recipient of the OLC Effective Practice Award.
• APU forms educational alliances with leading companies and associations, including: American Sport Education Program (ASEP), BAE Systems Information Solutions, Inc., Logistics Institute, National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA), National Association of Environmental Professionals (NAEP), Society for Human Resource Management (SHRM).

Affordable
• Undergraduate tuition is $810 per 3-semester hour course, and graduate tuition is $1,050 per 3-semester hour course.
• Our Undergraduate Book Grant provides e-books and other required course reading materials at no cost for undergraduate-level courses for credit. **

Online
• Classes start monthly and are offered in 8- or 16-week sessions.
• Study on your terms. Our classes operate on a weekly schedule with no specific login times during the week. You are free to manage your daily commitments with required coursework—as long as you meet your assignment deadlines.

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We look forward to helping you succeed at reaching your education goals. Contact admissions at info@apus.edu or 1-877-777-9081 to get started.

95% of our seniors would choose us again.*

*According to a 2012 National Survey of Student Engagement (NSSE).
**Individuals may incur additional costs for e-textbook access in accordance with e-textbook access policy and APUS grant coverage.
Faculty Spotlight: Wendy Lawrence

A veteran of four shuttle missions, including one which featured the first in-flight repair to an orbiter in 2005, Wendy Lawrence exemplifies the caliber of faculty you will find at APU. After 1,225 hours in space, 14 years, and four shuttle flights, Lawrence retired from the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) in 2006.

Lawrence also spent time as the Director of Operations for NASA at the Gagarin Cosmonaut Training Center in Star City, Russia. She has traveled extensively all over this world, in addition to her space travels.

Professor Lawrence received her B.S. in Ocean Engineering from the U.S. Naval Academy and her M.S. in Ocean Engineering from MIT and Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution (WHOI).

Professor Lawrence is a retired naval aviator with 25 years of service including several deployments. A leader in her field, she brings extensive direct knowledge of aeronautics to APU and is an active mentor for her students.

My schedule. My Investment. My degree.
I liked the flexibility offered by APU. I could choose to take classes at my own pace, which allowed me to get an undergraduate degree in three years and a graduate degree in 17 months. APU is affordable and convenient. The instructors are simply amazing, offering each student a level of firsthand real-world (and out of this world) experience.

My career path has completely changed since I attained my bachelor’s degree in space studies. My education allowed me to pursue a career in the field of space exploration. As an APU undergraduate student, I was selected for three NASA internships which led to more opportunities within my chosen field.

Today, I work as a project specialist at NASA for their Planetary Systems Laboratory. My department manages one of the instruments on board the Cassini-Huygens unmanned space probe currently studying Saturn and its moons.

Wendy Lawrence
Faculty, Space Studies

Andreea Mosila
B.S., Space Studies (2013)
Welcome to the School of Arts and Humanities.

The School of Arts and Humanities offers a full range of online degrees that are based on the great ideas, works, and thinkers that have defined civilization as embodied in the “great books” tradition. Whether you’re studying the human condition from the viewpoint of military history, philosophy, religion, or child psychology, the interplay of analytical and speculative methods as well as the influence of historical events create a provocative and interactive classroom environment.

Our professors are adept practitioners in their fields of study and artfully weave together a variety of world thought and expression to engage students in thoughtful discussion of humankind’s fundamental topics through the study of humanities, social sciences, and natural sciences. Our curriculum is designed to develop high-level research, analytical, and interpersonal skills, and to prepare students for a broad range of professional careers including communications, government relations, military operations, and social and family services. We invite you to join us on your educational journey.

| Associate | | Bachelor’s | | Master’s | | Certificates |
|-----------|---|------------|---|-----------|---|
| History (B.A.) | Military History (B.A.) | Religion (B.A.) | Sociology (B.A.) |
| Philosophy (B.A.) | |

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| Certificate of American History (Grad) | Certificate of American Revolution (Grad) | Certificate of Ancient and Classical History (Grad) | Certificate of Civil War Studies (Grad) | Certificate of European History (Grad) | Certificate of World War I Studies (Grad) |

“Distance learning can open doors, and APU helped me find the right path to be successful.”

Juan Rosado
B.A., Philosophy (2014)
Welcome to the School of Business.

Professors integrate new technologies and affiliations to keep the classroom challenging, interesting, and up-to-date with current trends. Students are taught not only theoretical concepts, but also the real-world application of the materials by experienced practitioners. Our degrees in accounting, business administration, and marketing dovetail with several industry and university specialties so that you may concentrate in areas of professional or personal interest—ranging from entrepreneurship and global business management to information technology management and homeland security resource allocation.

Most programs within the School of Business are accredited by the Accreditation Council for Business Schools and Programs (ACBSP).* While enrolled in the School of Business, we will guide and support you through your academic studies as well as assist you with your endeavors after graduation once you join our distinguished network of alumni—many of whom hold positions at top agencies and firms around the world.

*The reverse logistics and entrepreneurship programs are not accredited by the ACBSP at this time.

With online learning, you can do things on your own time, which helped me balance my family obligations.
I chose APU because in addition to earning my master’s, I could apply for my teaching certification. It was the only program that offered both.

Sarah Barz
M.Ed., Teaching (2013)
Welcome to the School of Health Sciences.

The School of Health Sciences offers an array of career-focused programs to address the learning and development needs of health-care, public health, sports and fitness industry professionals—including our flagship "RN to BSN" program. Combining top academic credentials with practical expertise, our faculty is comprised of practicing public health professionals, sports management experts, sports administrators, and more to ensure you’re learning from practitioners who are passionate about improving and optimizing human well-being.

In many cases, our programs are recognized in their discipline. For example, our nursing program is accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE) and designed to emphasize three core areas of development from practitioner to scientist and leader. Our sports management program incorporates accreditation standards through a partnership with the American Sport Education Program (ASEP)—enabling some students to earn various ASEP certifications. And our public health master’s program is professionally-focused to educate and develop capable leaders by aligning with academic-community partners to deliver curriculum that addresses current public health issues.

Whether you’re considering entering the public safety or public health sectors, or you want to advance in your current career—the School of Health Sciences will help you meet your educational needs.

"Learning from my peers and industry experts really helped me gain more confidence as a nurse."

Lubaba Mohammed
B.S., Nursing (2012)
Welcome to the School of Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math.

We offer programs to help students cultivate the problem-solving, creative, and technological skills that are vital to our ever-evolving global society. You will join a community of learners from a variety of backgrounds and a faculty that includes scientists, technology leaders, and former astronauts.

Our IT programs offer you the critical tools needed for a career in information technology. Whether establishing a firm foundation in computer application programming or building information systems security, information assurance, or technology management skills—you’ll learn from leaders throughout the business and IT worlds.

The environmental studies programs address both the natural and social sciences, focusing on the complex relationships between science, management, and policy and their environmental impact. Graduates may find opportunities in a variety of professions in government and industry.

The space studies programs are interdisciplinary and include the historical, political, economic, legal, commercial, technical, and scientific issues that will shape the field for years to come. As a student, you will have the opportunity to learn from leading scientists and conduct in-depth research projects that will help you prepare for this demanding field.

"I felt very empowered and challenged. I never thought I could balance kids, an active lifestyle, and an education. APU made it possible."

Pannea Vaghedi
M.S., Environmental Policy and Management (2013)
Welcome to the School of Security and Global Studies.

The programs taught in the School of Security and Global Studies are designed for students seeking to make a difference in the world. These students appreciate the different influences that political, economic, and social cultures have in shaping world events. The programs within our school combine insights from sociology, political economy, psychology, cultural studies, and national and international security policy and issues.

From focused area studies to courses that address broader transnational and international issues, you’ll be thoroughly engaged with fellow students and faculty. The issues impacting professionals are fluid and dynamic. In the past, training was sufficient. Today, training is not enough. Professionals need education that enhances critical-thinking and analytical skills so they can understand the “why” of these issues. The School of Security and Global Studies helps prepare graduates to succeed.

School of security and global studies

Associate
Counter Terrorism Studies (A A)
Corrections Justice (A A)
Explosive Ordnance Disposal (A S)

Bachelor’s
Corrections Justice (B A)
Corrections Justice: Forensic Concentration (B S)
Emergency and Disaster Management (B A)
Fire Science Management (B S)
Homeland Security (B A)

Master’s
Corrections Justice (M A)
Emergency and Disaster Management (M A)*
Homeland Security (M A)*
Intelligence Studies (M A)
International Relations and Conflict Resolution (M A)*

Certificates
Business Essentials for the Security Executive (Grad)
Competitive Intelligence (Grad)
Countersniper Management (Undergrad)
Counterintelligence (Undergrad)
Corrections Management (Grad)
Emergency and Disaster Management (Grad)
Emergency Management (Undergrad)
Emergency Management Executive Leadership (Grad)
Executive Law Enforcement Leadership (Grad)
Explosive Ordnance Disposal (Undergrad)
Fire Science (Undergrad)
Forensics (Undergrad)
Homeland Security (Undergrad and Grad)

“I absolutely feel the degree I received will help me to achieve all of my career goals.”

David Iorillo
M A, Corrections Justice (2014)
Community of Learners
At APU, you’ll quickly see that we understand the importance of community and effective learning. Our student body is broad and diverse. Your APU experience is designed to be flexible and engaging. Many of our students tell us that their learning inside the classroom is greatly enriched by discussions with other students. This can be attributed to the high caliber of students at APU. There’s an online discussion board in each class where your professor and classmates gather. Additionally, you can network with professors and students through social communities, student chapters of industry associations, and professional forums—as well as a very active alumni group of more than 50,000. And more than 45% of undergraduate alumni return for a second degree.*

*Represents returning undergraduate students from 2012 conferrals.

Who is the typical student?
APU students are active, working adults from around the world often balancing family, school, and career. They range from a firefighter completing a degree in pursuit of becoming a fire chief to a mother studying alongside her husband demonstrating the value of education to their family—to a manager studying to improve leadership skills. We’re proud to have a strong community of learners ranging from those early in their careers to accomplished professionals looking to strengthen their current skills.

Academic Community
Is APU accredited? Can I get a quality education here?
Absolutely—American Public University is part of American Public University System, which is accredited by the U.S. Higher Learning Commission (www.hlcommission.org, 312-263-0456). HLC is the accrediting body for some of the United States’ top universities. Many of our degree programs were awarded specialty industry recognition. In addition, we were the recipient of the Online Learning Consortium’s Ralph E. Gomory Award for Quality Online Education, which is based on learning effectiveness, cost-effectiveness and institutional commitment, access, faculty satisfaction, and student satisfaction.

What resources are available to help students succeed?
Open 24/7, the online library is an innovative center containing millions of pages of books and scholarly articles licensed from the Deep Web, and tailored specifically to the university’s programs. A team of dedicated librarians are available to help you. Additionally, you’ll have an assigned student advisory team, a wealth of resources through our Center for Teaching and Learning, and tutoring services. Our professors are experts in the subjects they teach and they bring cutting-edge applications into the classroom. Many are leaders in their respective industries and instruct using relevant theory combined with their real-world knowledge.

What is the online classroom like?
As a student, you’ll enter your individual classrooms from the campus homepage. There are no required login times, courses are asynchronous, and you can participate anytime, night or day. This benefits all students by allowing for well-informed responses and participation in the online classroom and discussion boards. Additionally, our professors make a special effort to stimulate thought-provoking discussions about critical topics related to your discipline.

Find out firsthand what the experience is like by visiting our website for a classroom demo or by attending one of our admissions open house webinars offered on a regular basis.

What financing options are available to me? Will I be able to afford this?
Our tuition is among the most competitive in the industry so that you can reach your education goals and balance your budget. Our Financial Aid Office can help you identify financial aid for which you may be eligible, including Federal Student Aid as well as G.I. Bill and other veterans’ education benefits. Other services:
• Transfer Credit Evaluation (TCE) earns you academic credit for eligible education that you’ve already completed.
• Prior Learning Assessment (PLA) offers you the opportunity to earn credit for training you’ve acquired as part of your work and other eligible experience.

Committed to Your Success
American Public University is the unprecedented four-time recipient of the Online Learning Consortium (OLC) Effective Practice Award.
“Education is the single greatest enabler that any individual can have to propel his or her career—and APU makes it accessible. We researched more than 80 schools and selected APU as our school of choice because we find them to be very dedicated to student outcomes.”

Our graduates and students include:
- An investment analyst for a leading pension fund
- A working mom who is a customer service specialist in the health care industry
- A history teacher
- A single parent—father of three—starting college to set an example for his children
- A small business owner specializing in disaster recovery
- Many other working adults across the globe

What are alumni doing professionally with their APU degrees?
You will find them in a variety of fields, including health care, IT consulting, logistics management, hospitality, government agencies and contractors, and more.

What resources are available to help me find a career in my field?
APU students and alumni have access to an array of career resources such as:
- Vault Career Library
- Focus-2 Online Career Assessment Program
- Resume review
- Interviewing strategies
- Mentoring opportunities and more

Our student body and faculty are working adults, and many are active in our vibrant social and networking communities. We offer you affordable tuition rates and access to our engaging classes, qualified instructors, and helpful resources and support services no matter where you reside. With APU, your degree is within reach.

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