

Student Organizations

Loma Linda University currently has four student groups. These organizations are student run with the purpose of providing academic, spiritual, social, and ethnocultural support for its members.

- African Network (AfriNet)
- Association of Latin American Students (ALAS)
- Black Health Professional Student Association (BHPSA)
- Student National Medical Association (SNMA)

Loma Linda University also has two alumni associations focused on diversity in the student body.

- Black Alumni of Loma Linda and La Sierra Universities (BALL)
- Latino Alumni of Loma Linda University (HALL)

About the Diversity Committee

The Diversity Committee seeks to support the Department of Psychology in its continual efforts to recruit and retain diverse students and faculty. The committee develops and implements policies and programs designed to promote the diversity of both students and faculty. Among our initiatives, we place an utmost importance in maintaining a collaborative, inclusive atmosphere for all individuals, and strongly encourage students of diverse backgrounds to apply to our programs.

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The Diversity Committee

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Psychology Student Diversity Resources



The Psychology Department Diversity Committee at Loma Linda University



Asian American Psychological Association:

The mission of this organization is to advance the mental health and well-being of Asian-American communities through research, professional practice, education and policy.

Association of Black Psychologists: The Association of Black Psychologists sees its mission and destiny as the liberation of the African mind, empowerment of the African character and enlivenment and illumination of the African spirit.

National Latinx Psychological Association:

The mission of NLPA is to create a supportive professional community that advances psychological education and training, science, practice and organizational change to enhance the health, mental health and well-being of Hispanic/Latina/o populations.

Society of Indian Psychologists: The mission of this organization is to provide an organization for Native American indigenous people to advocate for the mental well-being of Native peoples by increasing the knowledge and awareness of issues impacting Native mental

Mentorship

APA Mentorship Programs

Minority Fellowship Program (MFP): An innovative, comprehensive and coordinated training, mentoring and career development program that enhances psychological and behavioral outcomes of ethnic minority communities. The MFP provides financial support, professional development activities, and opportunities for professional and personal guidance.

APA Division of Graduate Students (APAGS):

Builds a better future for psychology by serving as a united voice to enrich and advocate for graduate student development. APAGS aspires to achieve the highest quality graduate training experience for the next generation of scientific innovators, expert practitioners and visionary leaders in psychology.

Office on Disability Issues in Psychology: The goal of this program is to support psychology students with disabilities and psychologists with disabilities by providing a mentor. Through our mentoring program, we hope that students will benefit from psychologists who can share and provide insights into their academic, pre-career and career experiences.

Society for the Psychological Study of Culture, Ethnicity and Race: Encourages research on ethnic minority issues and the application of psychological knowledge to ethnic minority issues. The division promotes public welfare through research and encourages professional relationships among psychologists who share these concerns and interests.



African Network (AfriNet): Celebrates the 22 African nations that are represented on our campus. Their mission is to fully engage African students socially, spiritually, academically, and professionally within the LLU community. They also actively participate in activities supportive to the environment and contribute to African development.

Association of Latin American

Students (ALAS): Composed of students and friends of all the health-oriented curricula of the University. While the majority of its members are of Latino heritage, any and all students regardless of ethnic heritage are invited to participate in and learn from Latino cultural and social activities.

Black Health Professional Student Association (BHPSA): Comprised of students and friends of all the health-oriented curricula of the University. While the majority of its members are of African heritage, any and all students regardless of ethnic heritage are invited to participate in and learn from African cultural and social activities.

Student National Medical Association

(SNMA): Focused on the needs and concerns of medical students of color. Membership includes more than 6,000 medical students, pre-medical students, residents and physicians. The SNMA boasts over 40 years of advocacy and service to underserved communities and medical students.