

# STUDENT HANDBOOK

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## INTRODUCTION

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Welcome to Lifestyle Christianity University! You made it! Your response of faith to the Lord has embarked you on a great adventure that will mark your life. It is our prayer that the Lord would encounter you, transform you, and deeply conform you into His image and likeness. In order to help you make the most of your experience at LCU, we have provided this Student Handbook to help you navigate your time here. If you have suggestions regarding information that should be included in this handbook, please contact your LCU class pastor. This handbook will continue to develop and is subject to change as needed. Students will be informed of changes to the handbook by email and verbal announcement.

## VISION & MISSION

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**Vision:** To reproduce sons and daughters who build Kingdom lifestyle in every sphere of influence.

**Mission:** To equip you to take the gospel outside of the 4 walls of the church as part of your everyday life.

## CORE VALUES

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### FREEDOM IN CHRIST

When Jesus died on the cross, He didn't just die for us but as us. Jesus' sacrifice enables us to live with a clean conscience—free from guilt, shame, and condemnation. Jesus paid the highest price for our sanctification; by His blood, issues from our past don't have to define our present or future. The Bible says, "If anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: The old has gone, the new is here!"

### RIGHTEOUS CONVICTION

When we say yes to Him, the Holy Spirit brings conviction of our right standing with the Father. Conviction of our right standing with God causes us to no longer have a desire to do things that are displeasing to Him. When we see ourselves as He sees us—through the lens of righteousness—we don't want to do things that violate our love relationship with the Father.

### GRACE-ENABLED LIVING

Jesus paid a valuable price because He wants to restore our broken lives and put them back together as we could never imagine—but as He always imagined! As we grow in God, much is expected and required of us. But in relationship with the Holy Ghost, grace is released that enables us to walk out what His truth calls us to! By grace, we are saved, but through this relationship, we abide in restful freedom, "becoming love" to everyone we encounter.

### ADOPTION INTO HIS FAMILY

Adoption is powerful. We are adopted into a new life, family, and bloodline when we come to Christ. We must know that the reality of the gospel is that Jesus paid the price to establish sons and daughters with God as their Father. If we understand whose we are, we'll never question who we are because He paid the highest price.

### INTIMACY WITH THE LORD

God loves us and wants a relationship with each of us. He longs for us to dive into the Word to know Him. God knows the details of our lives, but time alone with Him changes everything. We begin to know Him in ways we never thought possible as we enter an intimate relationship with the King of kings!

### HIS BLOOD IS ENOUGH

What if we fully realized that Jesus didn't just cleanse us from sin but removed it from us—never to be revisited again? When we believe that the blood of Jesus cleanses us from all sin, we will live in a place of "conviction"—constantly reminded of who we are in Jesus so that we don't step into who we aren't. His laws, written on our hearts—not the old sinful nature—controls our life. True freedom!

### THE LIFESTYLE OF JESUS

Everywhere we go, we emulate Jesus. Colossians tells us that Christ in us is the hope of Glory! We can't afford to limit ourselves and think that only Jesus could walk in the miraculous. We, as Christians, have Christ in us and the same power that raised Him from the grave. We must believe that Jesus wants to work through us for supernatural results.

## **RADICAL GENEROSITY**

Generosity is our privilege because Jesus was first generous toward us. Each day is an opportunity to bless people with our words and acts of kindness. To be blessed means to be on the receiving end of God's tangible and intangible favor. As we live full of generosity toward others, we reveal the nature of our generous Father and sow seeds for eternal harvest.

## **GOD'S WORD TRANSFORMS**

Studying God's truth empowers us to believe in who He is, who we are, and how He wants us to live. His Word was not given just to gain facts so we can then teach it to others. His Word was given so we can enter into a relationship with the living God! Jesus promised that the Holy Spirit would dwell in us and, as we are dependent upon Him, He is ready, willing, and available to reveal to us all Truth (John 16:13; 1 John 2:27).

## **STATEMENT OF FAITH**

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We believe the Bible to be the inspired, the only infallible, authoritative Word of God revealing the love of God to the world. (1 Thessalonians 2:13; 2 Timothy 3:15-17; John 3:16)

We believe that there is one God, eternally existent in three persons: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. (Matthew 28:19; John 10:30; Ephesians 4:4-6)

We believe in the deity of the Lord Jesus Christ, in His virgin birth, in His sinless life, in His miracles, in His vicarious and atoning death through His shed blood on the Cross, in His bodily resurrection, in His ascension to the right hand of the Father, and in His personal return in power and glory. (Matthew 1:23; John 1:1-4 and 1:29; Acts 1:11 and 2:22-24; Romans 8:34; 1 Corinthians 15:3-4; 2 Corinthians 5:21; Philippians 2:5-11; Hebrews 1:1-4 and 4:15)

We believe that all men everywhere are lost and face the judgment of God, that Jesus Christ is the only way of salvation, and that for the salvation of lost and sinful man, repentance of sin and faith in Jesus Christ results in regeneration by the Holy Spirit. Furthermore, we believe that God will reward the righteous with eternal life in heaven and that He will banish the unrighteous to everlasting punishment in hell. (Luke 24:46-47; John 14:6; Acts 4:12; Romans 3:23; 2 Corinthians 5:10-11; Ephesians 1:7 and 2:8-9; Titus 3:4-7)

We believe in the present ministry of the Holy Spirit, whose indwelling enables the Christian to live a godly life and minister supernaturally. The baptism of the Holy Spirit is poured out on believers so they might have power to be His witnesses. (John 3:5-8; Acts 1:8 and 4:31; Romans 8:9; 1 Corinthians 2:14; Galatians 5:16-18; Ephesians 6:12; Colossians 2:6-10; Acts 1:4-8; Acts 2:4)

We believe in the resurrection of both the saved and the lost; the saved unto the resurrection of eternal life and the lost unto the resurrection of damnation and eternal punishment. (1 Corinthians 15:51-57; Revelation 20:11-15)

We believe in the spiritual unity of believers in the Lord Jesus Christ and that all true believers are members of His Body, the Church. (1 Corinthians 12:12, 27; Ephesians 1:22-23)

We believe that the ministry of evangelism (sharing and proclaiming the message of salvation only possible by grace through faith in Jesus Christ) and discipleship (helping followers of Christ grow up into maturity in Christ) is the responsibility of all followers of Jesus Christ. (Matthew 28:18-20; Acts 1:8; Romans 10:9-15; 1 Peter 3:15)

We believe God's plan for human sexuality is to be expressed only within the context of marriage, and that God created man and woman as unique biological persons made to complement each other. God instituted monogamous marriage between male and female as the foundation of the family and the basic structure of human society. For this reason, we believe that marriage is exclusively the union of one genetic male and one genetic female. (Genesis 2:24; Matthew 19:5-6; Mark 10:6-9; Romans 1:26-27; 1 Corinthians 6:9)

We believe that we must dedicate ourselves to prayer, to the service of our Lord, to His authority over our lives, and to the ministry of evangelism. (Matthew 9:35-38, 22:37-39, and 28:18-20; Acts 1:8; Romans 10:9-15 and 12:20-21; Galatians 6:10; Colossians 2:6-10; 1 Peter 3:15)

We believe that human life is sacred from conception to its natural end, and that we must be concerned for our fellow man's physical and spiritual needs. (Psalm 139:13; Isaiah 49:1; Jeremiah 1:5; Matthew 22:37-39; Romans 12:20-21; Galatians 6:10)

# LIFESTYLE CHRISTIANITY CULTURE COVENANT

ALWAYS	NEVER
I will tell you about me, what I feel, think and need, so that you know the truth. Psalm 15:1-4, John 3:21, Proverbs 16:13, Ephesians 4:25	I will not try to convince you of who you are or what you are trying to do.
I will assume the best about your heart, character, and motives when I listen to you or hear something from someone else. 1 Corinthians 13:7	I will not judge or condemn based on my fear.
I will first control myself, tell myself what to do, and will do it. I am a powerful person. Galatians 5:22-23, Proverbs 16:32	I never assume that I can control another person through intimidation, flattery, or manipulation.
I love my enemies because hate is weakness. We protect each other from the effects of our weaknesses. Matthew 5:44, 1 Peter 3:9, Romans 12:14	I will never allow myself to enter "enemy mode" with anyone because I know I am no longer protecting people when they are my enemy.
I talk to you about my issues with you to be respectful and loyal to our relationship. Proverbs 11:13	I will not talk to someone else first about my issues with you.
I keep my love on because I am responsible for who I seek connection with. 1 Corinthians 13:4-5, Proverbs 4:14-15, Psalm 1:1-3	I do not have permission to be dishonoring or disrespectful to anyone ever.
I take full ownership of how my shortcomings and weaknesses affect the team, and I learn and grow and am quick to adjust to protect connection. Philippians 2:3, Luke 6:41-42	I will not self-justify, act defensive, or try to rationalize my excuses to be a poor listener.
I mean what I say, I say what I mean, and I do what I say I'll do. I am trustworthy. Matthew 5:37	I will not be passive or cowardly when it comes to difficult conversations.
I will seek first to understand and then be understood. I will be an excellent listener. James 1:19, Proverbs 18:2	I will never assume that I can read your mind. Because we disagree does not mean your perspective is less valuable.

## CULTURE COVENANT

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By enrolling at LCU, you agree to live within the culture covenant. If the pastoral team and/or interns witness or are made aware of continual violations of the culture covenant, a pastor will monitor your behavior and attempt to walk you through the issue. If it is continual, you will be given written notice/warning. If there is a violation of the culture covenant after a notice/warning is given, this will indicate that you have chosen to remove yourself from LCU.

## IMPORTANT DATES

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### LCU YEAR 1

**Application Deadline (On Campus)**  
July 24, 2025

**Application Deadline (Online)**  
August 13, 2025

**Tuition Payment Due**  
August 14, 2025

**Student Orientation**  
August 19 - 21, 2025

**First Full Week of LCU**  
August 25 - 28, 2025

**Last Day Before Christmas**  
December 19, 2025

**School Year Resumes**  
January 11, 2026

**Last Day of School**  
May 14, 2026

**Graduation**  
May 15, 2026

Please see our downloadable calendar on our website for additional information by [clicking here](#).

## CODE OF CONDUCT

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When Shawn Bolz gave the prophecy about the Training Center in 2016, one of the phrases that he prophesied over the future student body was, “Just be Jesus, just be Love.” The following are guiding principles that should mark our lives as believers.

We can think of no better measure of our conduct than this statement. It’s the banner for how we conduct ourselves, not only within the school but in our daily lives.

Some practicals...

1. Let your life be measured by the Fruit of the Holy Spirit (Galatians 5:22) ... Love, Joy, Peace, Patience, Goodness, Kindness, Faithfulness, Gentleness, and Self Control. We value the Fruit of the Spirit.
2. Treat others the way you desire to be treated (Matthew 7:12)!
3. Conflict resolution: Go to your brother or sister first. LCU requires to not spread your offense with others per the Culture Covenant. Be “unoffendable!” In other words, deal with your offense before confrontation, then go in love and present your issue. You will have to be willing to agree to disagree, but you can clearly communicate healthy boundaries moving forward (Matthew 18:15-17 and Matthew 5:23-24).
4. Maintain the bond of peace through the unity of the Spirit (Ephesians 4:3).

## STUDENT EXPECTATION POLICY

Students are expected to maintain a respectful and focused learning environment by adhering to the following guidelines: Phones must be stored away during class sessions; the cafe and common areas are to be used only during designated break times; students must be present and attentive throughout all classes, refraining from checking emails, using social media, or engaging in conversations unless participating in discussions or when called upon by the pastor. Additionally, public displays of affection (PDA), including kissing, cuddling, and similar behaviors, are prohibited to ensure comfort and focus for all.

Compliance with these expectations is essential, and violations may result in disciplinary actions to ensure the integrity of our educational mission.



## POLICIES FOR DISCIPLINARY ACTION

1. **Verbal Warnings & Accountability Plan:** A student will first receive two verbal warnings. Once they receive their second verbal warning, they should be set up on an accountability plan to help them succeed prior to receiving a written warning.
2. **Written Warning & Probationary Status:** The next offense will be a written warning, moving them to a probationary status. Once a student has been placed on a probationary status, the student can be removed any time after that at the discretion of the Lifestyle Christianity staff.

The following list are some reasons a student may be placed on probation or removed from LCU. Reasons to be placed on probation are not limited to this list and will always be at the discretion of Lifestyle Christianity's staff.

## SEXUAL MISCONDUCT

- Definition: Sexual misconduct refers to any sexual activity that occurs outside the boundaries of a heterosexual marriage covenant, as well as any actions that violate Biblical standards of purity. This includes, but is not limited to, intercourse, oral sex, foreplay, and sexting.
- The first offense places the student on probationary status.
- Once on probation, a pastor will monitor students' behavior and attempt to walk through the issue. The pastoral team will make the final decision as to whether student needs to be removed.

## SEXUAL HARASSMENT

At LCU we are dedicated to fostering a safe and respectful environment for all students, and as such, we have a zero-tolerance policy towards sexual harassment. Sexual harassment is defined as any unwelcome sexual advances, requests for sexual favors, or other verbal or physical conduct of a sexual nature that creates an intimidating, hostile, or offensive environment for students. Examples of sexual harassment may include making derogatory comments, displaying sexually suggestive material, or engaging in unwanted physical contact. Any student who experiences or witnesses sexual harassment is encouraged to report the incident promptly to a LCU staff member. All reports will be taken seriously and investigated thoroughly while maintaining confidentiality to the fullest extent possible. Any student found to have engaged in sexual harassment will face disciplinary action, which may include expulsion from the school. Retaliation against individuals who report sexual harassment or participate in an investigation is strictly prohibited and will result in disciplinary actions. Our goal is to create a supportive and nurturing learning environment where all students can thrive without fear of harassment or discrimination.

## DRUG AND ALCOHOL USE

We require that all LCU students abstain from alcohol during their time at LCU. Use of any illegal substance, abuse of prescription medication, or drunkenness are grounds for dismissal from LCU.

- First offense places student on probationary status.
- Once on probation, a pastor will monitor student's behavior and attempt to walk through the issue. Pastoral team will make the final decision as to whether student needs to be removed.

## MISCONDUCT: FIGHTING, DISRUPTION WITHIN LCU CULTURE

First offense places students on probationary status. Security will be brought in to help determine the path for the student moving forward. Misconduct includes but is not limited to:

- Harming other students and/or staff.
- Raising one's voice in anger or a manner causing a disturbance.
- Threat of violence.
- Being a constant disruption.
- Refusing to respect staff, year 3 interns, or any LCU rules.
- Threats of any kind of violence toward staff or students or oneself.

## OFF-CAMPUS MISCONDUCT

Conduct off of the LCU campus can still have an effect on fellow students and LCU. Students can be called into meetings and moved to probationary status for misconduct outside of LCU activities.

## MEDICAL CONDITIONS GUIDELINES

The following are guidelines for students who enter LCU on medication or with a serious existing medical condition.

1. Medications
  - For those on doctor prescribed medication: they should stay on medication even once they believe they are healed.
  - We encourage any student who is healed to find a doctor who will walk with them through their healing and release them from the medication if they would like to come off medication while attending LCU. Students should not come off medication until released from a doctor while attending LCU.
2. Make staff aware of medical conditions - All staff and security should be made fully aware of any person who has a serious medical condition. These issues should be discussed and addressed individually as far as care and procedure are concerned. A meeting should be requested by the student within the first weeks of school to discuss the condition. Additionally, you may email [registrar@lifestylechristianityu.com](mailto:registrar@lifestylechristianityu.com) in advance to bring it to our attention. The information will then be forwarded to Pastoral Staff and Security to ensure all parties are notified.

## WORSHIP ACADEMY

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LCU Worship Academy is an extra cost add-on that consists of vocal and instrumental development, chord charts, music theory, stewardship, songwriting, discussion groups, activation, worship foundations, establishing a biblical perspective on worship, possible Lifestyle Worship team involvement opportunities, and more! Key voices in worship that will be joining us will be announced.

## LIFE GROUPS

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### PURPOSE OF LIFE GROUPS

1. **Family** - Life Groups are designed to create a family culture that will be encouraging and empowering to each LCU student. We want to create a space for real conversation that will lead to life transformation in every student. Life Group leaders will be facilitating conversation by asking questions that are designed to get to the core of what God is doing in every student's life.
2. **Accountability** - Accountability will happen through Life Group leaders asking students about their personal devotion (time spent in the secret place) and personal overflow (testimonies of God using them in the marketplace outside of school). The goal is that when students leave LCU they will be able to sustain a lifestyle of Christianity.

### LIFE GROUP STRUCTURE

- Each Life Group is made up of 9-12 students from LCU
- Life Groups meet weekly
- Required attendance
- Online Life Group schedule varies

## POLICIES

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### ATTENDANCE POLICY

Absence/Attendance: Attendance will be taken daily. We understand that things do come up and therefore have implemented the following policy:

1. Students are allowed up to 12 days of missed class time during the year. Any missed class time must have prior approval (if possible) and be made up in the following ways:
  - Reviewing videos of missed classes. This make-up work is not considered as a class and does not count toward a student's eligibility for the future study status.
  - Following up with your Life Group leader or your LCU class pastor.
2. If you miss more than 12 days of class time, even having fulfilled the above provisions, you will transition to Audit Status and your year will be shown as an incomplete year. You will, however, be able to attend and participate in LCU for the rest of the year if your tuition is paid. Please email the attendance team for planned or emergency absences at [attendance@lifestylechristianityu.com](mailto:attendance@lifestylechristianityu.com).
  - On-campus students must complete their weekly lesson assignments by Saturday at midnight of the same class week.
  - Online students are given an additional week, so their weekly lesson assignments are due by the following Saturday at midnight after the class week.

### TARDY AND ABSENCE POLICY

We want to prepare you for the big plans that God has for your life. As a result, we have created a Tardy and Absence Policy that will help to prepare you for success in future job opportunities and life situations. Because the school day starts at 8:30 am, you will be marked as tardy after 8:36 am. After 9:00 am, you will be marked as absent for the day. Additionally, every 3 tardies will count as 1 absence. The only time an absence will be excused is if you are sick or if there is a family emergency. The LCU Intern Team will be in the lobby during regular school days between 8:00 - 9:00 am to help you regarding your attendance and homework.

To complete Year 1, students must complete a minimum of 80% of their homework assignments. In order to graduate, Year 2 students must complete a minimum of 85% of their homework assignments. If a Year 2 student plans to apply for Year 3 Internship, the student must have a minimum homework completion score of 90%.

Any student failing to meet the passing requirements will be transitioned to Audit Status and their year will be marked incomplete. The student will, however, be able to attend and participate at LCU for the rest of the year, provided that their tuition is paid.

Students are required to be on campus Monday through Thursday from 8:30 am - 1:00 pm. Each student is required to faithfully attend and worship at a local, Spirit-filled church in the Dallas-Fort Worth area where the Lord places them.

## ENCOUNTER NIGHT

- Students are required to attend our Encounter Night services at 6:00 pm.
- Encounter Night is a public service and ministry is prohibited by anyone other than the alter team.

## LCU STUDENT REFERRAL DISCOUNT POLICY

Current students (Year 1 or Year 2) and incoming enrolled students are eligible to receive \$250 off of their tuition for the upcoming school year if someone they refer to LCU meets the following requirements:

- Completes the application process by the application deadline
- Includes the name of the student who referred them on their application under the question “How did you hear about LCU/Who referred you?” This will allow the student portal to communicate with the Registrar’s Office and tag the referring student as qualified to receive the discount once the other listed requirements have been met
- Enrolls in on-campus or online classes
- Pays a minimum of their deposit (\$450) upon acceptance and their required tuition payment by the payment deadline
- Attends New Student Arrival and Orientation week
- Is not an immediate family member (Family Discount will apply in this instance)
- The Tuition Discount is non-transferable
- If the referred student withdraws after meeting the requirements, the discount will not be removed from the student who gave the referral

## FAMILY TUITION DISCOUNT (ON CAMPUS ONLY)

The first person in a family to enroll at LCU will be charged Standard Tuition. Each subsequent family member that enrolls will be eligible to receive \$1,000.00 USD off of their Standard Tuition once the non-refundable deposit has been paid on both accounts. Please note that this discount cannot be combined with any other discount. Any family members planning to enroll must email [registrar@lifestylechristianityu.com](mailto:registrar@lifestylechristianityu.com) and ask to apply the Family Tuition Discount.

## BRINGING FAMILY (LCU EXPERIENCE)

Enrolled students can bring immediate family members (ages 17 and up) to LCU and receive a 50% Family Discount on their LCU Experience Audit ticket. Students must accompany their family member(s) to the Registration desk to have the Family Discount applied to their Audit ticket.

## STUDENT GUEST PASS POLICY

1. Currently enrolled students receive up to three Free Guest Passes to invite friends to attend LCU for one day.
2. These passes are intended to be used as a tool to help students achieve the Student Referral Discount, and are to be given to guests whom students have relationship with and whom they feel would benefit from and have the capacity to succeed at LCU.
3. These passes are not intended to take the place of The Journey or to be used for the intention of discipleship.
4. Students must bring their guest(s) to the Registration desk on the day they wish to redeem one of their passes. This informs the Admissions Team and allows them to process the guest according to policy.
5. Conditions:
  - Passes cannot be used during Preview weeks.
  - Students cannot give more than one (1) pass to the same guest.
  - Multiple passes may be redeemed on the same day.
  - Please ensure the day you wish to use your pass is open to auditors.

## POLICY FOR ON-CAMPUS STUDENTS TRANSITIONING TO ONLINE STATUS

1. Eligibility & Approval Process

Students wishing to switch from on-campus to online status must receive approval from both the Director and Registrar. Applications must be submitted at least 14 days prior to the requested switch date, allowing ample time for review and decision-making.
2. Application Process
  - Application Form: Students are required to complete an official application form to initiate the process.
  - Supporting Documentation: In certain cases (such as health or relocation), students may be required to provide supporting documentation.
  - Submission Timeline: The application must be submitted at least 14 days before the desired switch date. Failure to meet this deadline may result in a delay or denial of the request.
3. Academic Impact
  - Homework and Assignments: All coursework, including homework, must be completed by the same deadlines as on-campus students. No extensions will be granted solely because of the transition to online status.
  - Participation: Students who switch to online status are expected to maintain active participation as required.

#### 4. Tuition & Fees

There will be no changes in tuition or fees, and no refund or credits will be issued as a result of the transition to online status.

#### 5. Duration of Online Status

Students may request to switch to online status either temporarily (for a specific timeframe) or permanently.

- Temporary Switch: Students must specify the period for which they intend to remain online, subject to approval.
- Permanent Switch: If a permanent switch is requested, it will affect all future courses, and students will not be able to return to on-campus without going through the appropriate process.

#### 6. Decisions & Communication

Once a decision has been made, students will receive an official email notification of approval or denial from the Registrar's Office. If approved, the email will outline any additional steps required to complete the transition.

### **ONLINE TRANSFER TO ON-CAMPUS**

Students enrolled in online programs are required to remain in that status throughout the school year. However, if an online student wishes to transfer to on-campus status, they need to email the Registrar's Office before the first day of school. No transfers to on-campus status will be allowed after the official start of the term.

### **POLICY CONCERNING CLASSES ONLINE / ON DEMAND**

For online and in-person students, classes are available online and on demand throughout the school year. This enables online students to watch classes live or on demand, and gives online or on demand access to in-person students who might have missed a class or want to re-watch sessions during the course of the school year.

Due to intellectual property violations and the massive amount of storage space classes require, we are in alignment with standard university best practices by offering access to class content on demand until the end of each current school year. After the school year has ended, access to classes will be closed.

**BRINGING CHILDREN TO LCU**

Our goal is to create a highly effective, life-changing learning environment for all students and maximize the quality of time spent in training. Therefore, non-nursing children are prohibited from attending any LCU school day or event, unless the event is labeled family-friendly. Nursing infants may be brought by their mothers and are allowed in the classroom unless they become distracting, in which case the pastor or teacher may ask the mother and child to continue from the nursing mother's room. Parents are responsible for the care of their child at all times and must not distract other students by giving their child to them. No further exceptions will be made to this policy.

**STUDENT DISRUPTION**

We reserve the right to remove any student due to inappropriate disruption of class time or for inappropriate behavior that endangers, disrupts, or casts a negative light on LCU, its students and staff, and Lifestyle Christianity.

At LCU we are always looking to create an atmosphere for students to encounter God and learn. During your time at LCU, there may be moments that are not normal to you, or you do not understand. To ensure students focus during class time, we ask that you trust the pastoral team to manage the room and lobby at the Training Center. For questions or concerns, please reach out to your LCU class pastor.

**TOBACCO USE**

LCU is a smoke- and tobacco-free property. It is prohibited to vape or use any form of tobacco while on campus. Due to the nature of the private school on our property, if caught vaping or using tobacco on campus this will result in disciplinary action and could lead to expelling you from LCU.

**HOUSING WHILE AT LCU**

LCU leadership requires students to uphold a Biblical standard of living, this includes avoiding the appearance of evil. Due to this, co-ed housing is unacceptable as an option for LCU students. If you are living with only an immediate family member(s) of the opposite sex, please inform the LCU staff. Also, while we are grateful to those who are offering their homes, condos, and apartments to rent to LCU students during their time here, please understand that we do not have the ability to vet these housing opportunities and therefore we do not endorse any housing options or anyone offering housing to LCU Students. We ask that you pray and use wisdom when looking for a place to stay while attending LCU. It is strictly prohibited for students to live in their cars on campus.

In no event will Lifestyle Christianity / Lifestyle Christianity University be liable for any indirect, special, punitive, incidental, exemplary, or consequential damages that result from a prospective or current LCU student choosing to contact any of the roommates or housing options chosen. You assume total responsibility for all decisions pertaining to housing and/or roommates.



## **POLICY ON HOUSING CONFLICTS**

If a housing conflict arises, please go to your roommates in love and try to work through it in love. If it cannot be resolved, please contact your LCU class pastor to help with the situation.

## **DATING AT LCU**

LCU staff desires for every students focus be on the Lord during their time in school. Due to this desire it is prohibited for first year students to start a dating relationship with other students until after the start of the second semester. Before starting a dating relationship, it is required to have a meeting with one of the LCU pastors.

Year 3 interns are prohibited from dating any year 1 students.

## **DRESS CODE**

Lifestyle Christianity University students are expected to present a good appearance at all times in their attire, including LCU and Lifestyle Christianity events. A student's appearance reflects not only the individual but also Lifestyle Christianity and the Lord. Below are some guiding principles:

- Students must always present a clean and modest appearance. Everyone is expected to wear clothes that are free of holes, tears, or other signs of wear. Jeans with holes / tears / rips at the knee level or below are permitted.
- Clothing with offensive or inappropriate designs, logos, or slogans are not permitted.
- Clothing should not be revealing. Ensure that clothing is not too tight and covers your stomach, cleavage, and bottom areas. Shorts and skirts are permitted, but need to be within 3 inches of the knee cap.
- Tank tops are not allowed.
- Leggings and super tight jeans need to be covered with a long over shirt so that bottoms are covered.
- Athletic shorts are allowed within 3 inches of the kneecap. If shorter than 3 inches above the kneecap, students are required to have leggings underneath or biker shorts that are within 3 inches of the kneecap.
- Encounter Nights, Power and Love, and any LCU event (which includes Field Day) will be subjected to this dress code as well.
- Weather can vary and reflect all four seasons in one day. Please come prepared with additional clothing for outreach times. Also, the auditorium can be cold, so packing a sweatshirt is advised. Make sure that you are dressing modestly as we are a ministry school and want to represent Jesus the best that we can.
- During outreach, we ask that students do not wear student IDs or any apparel by Lifestyle.

## INVITING PEOPLE TO LCU

1. While ministering on outreach, you may invite people to The Journey details to be announced throughout the year.
2. When inviting guests to attend LCU, please ensure that day is open for Auditors prior to arriving at the Registration desk.
  - Please note: The following days are not open for Auditors to attend LCU:
    - The first week of school
    - The last week of school
    - Chapel days
    - Gender Group days

## GIVING CULTURE

We ask that you check with your LCU class pastor before giving a monetary gift of over \$100 to another LCU student or Audit Student. We want to have a generous culture but we are also aware that in a generous culture, unfortunately, there can be some that may seek to take advantage of that generosity.

## CORPORATE WORSHIP

We ask that all participants refrain from using any instrument as a member of the congregation during corporate worship.

## STRUGGLING DURING LCU

If you are struggling, take a journal and go spend an hour with the Lord. Write down what He is saying to you. If you feel you need to still speak to someone, please reach out to your Life Group leader and ask to meet. After this, if you feel you still need help, please ask your Life Group leader to help set up a meeting with a pastor.

## WORKING DURING LCU

At LCU, we ask that you please refrain from doing work during school hours. If an emergency occurs, please step out of class to take a phone call or email. Please do not make a habit of working while at school, as we want to make sure that you are not distracted.

## MINISTERING WHILE ATTENDING LCU

We believe and expect that God will open many doors for you to minister and speak on His behalf while you are at LCU. If this happens, we are excited and celebrate these opportunities with you. However, please do not use LCU as an endorsement for your ministry. Lifestyle Christianity is in no way sending you as a representative of the ministry. LCU and Lifestyle Christianity do not endorse any LCU students.

## EXIT POLICY FOR PROGRAM WITHDRAWAL

### 1. Notification of Intent to Withdrawal

Students wishing to withdrawal from the program must formally notify the institution by completing the Program Exit Form. This form is required to begin the official withdrawal process.

### 2. Program Exit Form

- **Completion Requirement:** The Program Exit Form must be filled out in its entirety to ensure all necessary details are captured regarding the student's decision to withdraw.
- **Submission Process:** The form should be submitted online or through the designated office.

### 3. Exit Interview

After submitting the Program Exit Form, the student is required to schedule an exit interview with one of the staff pastors.

- **Purpose of Interview:** The interview provides an opportunity for the student to discuss their reasons for leaving, receive guidance, and ensure that all aspects of the withdrawal process are clear.
- **Scheduling:** The student must coordinate with the administrative office to arrange a time for the exit interview. It is recommended that the interview be completed within two weeks of submitting the exit form.

### 4. Refund Policy

- **Before the First Day of School:**
  - Incoming students who have paid their non-refundable deposit and tuition in full are eligible for a 100% refund of paid tuition (excluding the non-refundable/transferable deposit) if the Program Exit Form submitted to the LCU Registrar's Office ([registrar@lifestylechristianity.com](mailto:registrar@lifestylechristianity.com)) before the first day of school.
- **After the First Day of School:**
  - Students who have paid their tuition in full are eligible for a 50% reimbursement after the first day of school.
  - If LCU receives an email requesting early withdrawal no later than December 8, 2025, 50% of the paid tuition will be refunded.
- **Refund Priority:**
  - Any tuition reimbursements will be distributed first to those who donated towards the student's tuition. Once the donors are refunded, any remaining balance will go to the student.
  - **Note:** All credit card processing fees will be deducted from the final refund amount.

### 5. Finalizing Withdrawal

Once the Program Exit Form is submitted and the exit interview has been completed:

- The student's status will be officially changed to reflect their withdrawal from the program.
- The student will receive an official confirmation of their withdrawal via email, which will also include any additional information regarding their transition.

### **SOCIAL MEDIA LIVE STREAMING**

Going live on social media during LCU class time is prohibited.

### **VOLUNTEER HOURS**

On campus students are required to volunteer 4 hours per month at LCU. Online students are required to volunteer 2 hours per month. Volunteer forms can be downloaded from the Populi app and also uploaded there in the weekly assignments when due.

### **GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS AND LCU ALUMNI STATUS**

We desire to empower all LCU students for success and therefore we want to clearly communicate with you the requirements to receive a Certificate of Completion from LCU after you graduate from Year 2.

- You must not miss more than 12 days of attendance throughout each year. Any class time missed still requires you view the missed class(es) "on demand" from your student portal and make up any scheduled outreach times missed. Excused absences will be on a case-by-case basis and must be communicated by your Class Pastor or Pastoral Intern to the Registrar's office.
- You must have completed 85% of all Homework, Bible Reading and Outreach assignments for the school year.
- You must be in good standing with LCU's Code of Conduct and all policies found in the Student Handbook. If you have met these minimum requirements, then you will receive a Certificate of Completion. However, if you choose not to meet these requirements, you will automatically be moved to an Audit Status.
- You will achieve LCU Alumni status after you have graduated from LCU, completing both LCU Year 1 and LCU Year 2.

**AT WILL SEARCH, ALCOHOL/DRUG TESTING, & STUDENT IDENTIFICATION AUDITS**

Students of LCU agree to submit themselves to random drug/alcohol testing without notice if deemed necessary by the LCU Director or our Pastoral Staff regarding student and campus safety. Student is responsible for the cost of the test and will need to take the test at Lab Corp (or other certified lab). Student must return within three days with the results from the lab and present these to the LCU Director or our Pastoral Staff.

Students agree to a search of personal belongings while on campus when deemed necessary by the LCU Director or our Pastoral Staff with the expressed viewpoint of safety and adherence to LCU conduct.

Students are subject to random student audits by the LCU Director and/or our Pastoral Staff. Failure to provide LCU identification will result in action taken by the LCU Director or our Pastoral Staff or designated appointee in Director's absence.

Any refusal to submit for testing or audit will result in immediate suspension and/or dismissal from LCU, as deemed by the Director of LCU or by the Pastoral Staff, if the issue in question regards campus safety.

## SECURITY AND PARKING

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The Training Center is a multipurpose facility, and as such, we have other entities that rent from us—specifically Newman International Academy. It is very important that we respect and honor Newman International Academy and the safety and security of its students. We, therefore, ask that all LCU students honor the following provisions.

1. When you enter the main entrance to the Training Center, please park on the left side of the parking lot. This is the side where you can see the athletic fields behind the restaurants.
2. Please refrain from wandering or gathering near Newman International Academy or their students—especially during their arrival or dismissal times. Please honor their safety and security!
3. LCU will provide parking permits to every LCU student. We ask that your permit be displayed in your car in the prescribed manner: Place your parking sticker on the driver's side of your windshield in the lower corner above your registration.
4. LCU will also provide student ID badges that should be worn at all times while on the property. This allows us to know who is clearly supposed to be on campus and who is not.
5. If you forget your ID badge, please bring your license with you to school and stop at the desk on the left side as you enter the building. They will be able to provide you with a temporary Security Sticker, allowing you to enter the building.
6. If you have lost your badge and haven't found it over the week, please stop at the Registrar desk on Monday to order a new badge. You are required to wear an LCU badge which also includes your photo. If you lose your badge, you will be required to pay a \$15.00 fee for a new badge.

## SEVERE WEATHER

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Severe Weather Protocol - Weather Alert! Please make sure your mobile devices receive Severe Weather Alerts. The most common weather threat we will encounter is a Severe Thunderstorm that produces Tornadoes. In the event of a Tornado Warning being issued, follow procedure:

### **ACTION PLAN:**

- Students and staff will be directed to shelter in place in the following rooms:
  - Conference Rooms A, B, and C
  - Choir Room (Back Room)
  - Stairwell
- Continue to shelter in place until the Tornado Warning has subsided. Assess injuries, if any.

## HOLIDAYS AND SCHOOL BREAKS 2025-2026

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### LABOR DAY

September 1, 2025

### THANKSGIVING BREAK

November 21 - 30, 2025

### CHRISTMAS BREAK

December 19, 2025 - January 11, 2026

### SPRING BREAK

March 9 - 13, 2026

### EASTER MONDAY

April 6, 2026

### POST POWER & LOVE

January 26th, 2026

May 4th, 2026

September 14th, 2026

\*Dates are subject to change

## STUDENT ACKNOWLEDGMENT AND AGREEMENT

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By signing below, I acknowledge that I have received, read, and understood the contents of the LCU Student Handbook. I understand the policies, procedures, and expectations set forth in this handbook, and I agree to adhere to them.

I am aware that failure to comply with the guidelines outlined in this handbook may result in disciplinary action, as detailed within the document. I also understand that it is my responsibility to seek clarification from the school administration if I have any questions or concerns about the content.

By signing this acknowledgment, I confirm the following:

- I have read and understood the LCU Student Handbook.
- I agree to follow the rules, policies, and procedures contained within.
- I understand the consequences of failing to comply with the guidelines.
- I am aware that the handbook may be updated, and it is my responsibility to stay informed of any changes.

Student Name (Print): \_\_\_\_\_

Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_