



Points of Pride

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- **Currently one of the 10 largest Catholic universities nationally**, with an enrollment of nearly 12,000 undergraduate and graduate students from all 50 states and more than 90 nations. Students enroll at University Campus, at more than 35 teaching locations in seven states, or online anywhere.
- **Noted as the first Catholic higher education institution in Florida**, founded in 1889.
- **Named a 2019 Best Regional University–South and Best Value University–South** by *U.S. News & World Report*, based on academic quality and cost.
- **Consistently ranked among the top 100 degree-granting institutions for minority students**. Saint Leo ranks 25th among the top 100-degree granting institutions for African-Americans earning bachelor's in all disciplines, and 19th in African-American's earning master's in all disciplines, in the 2018 listing by *Diverse Issues in Higher Education* magazine. Additionally, the magazine ranked Saint Leo 21st among top producers of Hispanic graduates earning master's degrees in business administration, management, and operations.
- **Provides quality online programs that make undergraduate and graduate education accessible** to committed learners everywhere, and that are ranked among the top in the nation in publications including *U.S. News & World Report's* list of 2018 Best Online Bachelor's Programs and 2018 Best Online Bachelor's Programs for Veterans.
- **Ranked as one of the leading providers of higher education to the military** and military spouses, as noted in *G.I. Jobs*, *Military Advanced Education and Training*, and other publications. Named by Victory Media as a 2018 Top 10 Gold-level Military Friendly® School Award recipient and a 2018 Spouse Friendly School. Also named to the *Military Times Best: Colleges 2018* and *Military Advanced Education and Training's* 2018 Guide to Colleges & Universities.
- **Named a National Center of Academic Excellence in Cyber Defense Education**, a designation jointly sponsored and approved by the National Security Agency (NSA) and the Department of Homeland Security (DHS).
- **Prepares highly qualified elementary and middle-school teachers** sought by Florida school districts. Also recently launched the Educator Preparation Institute program with the Florida Department of Education, which will prepare individuals meeting certain state requirements to take Florida's teaching certification test.
- **Opened new location of the Savannah (GA) Education Center**, which is 14,900 square feet and features 13 classrooms; a "cyber bar;" Learning Resource Center; computer lab; student study room; student lounge; and Military Resource Center.
- **Offers 3 + 3 accelerated law programs through agreements with two Florida law schools** so that motivated students can attain a University Campus undergraduate education and law degree in six years instead of seven.
- **Twenty NCAA Division II sports at University Campus involving 350 student-athletes**. Placed fourth in the 2017–2018 Learfield Directors' Cup Division II and as the No. 1 Sunshine State Conference institution. Saint Leo is home to four winter teams—men's and women's basketball and men's and women's swimming.
- **Is home to the Saint Leo University Polling Institute**, established in 2013, a respected source of nonpartisan data on political opinions and cultural attitudes. Survey results can be viewed at <http://polls.saintleo.edu/>.
- **Counts more than 93,000 alumni** in all 50 states, Washington, DC, three U.S. territories, and 76 countries.