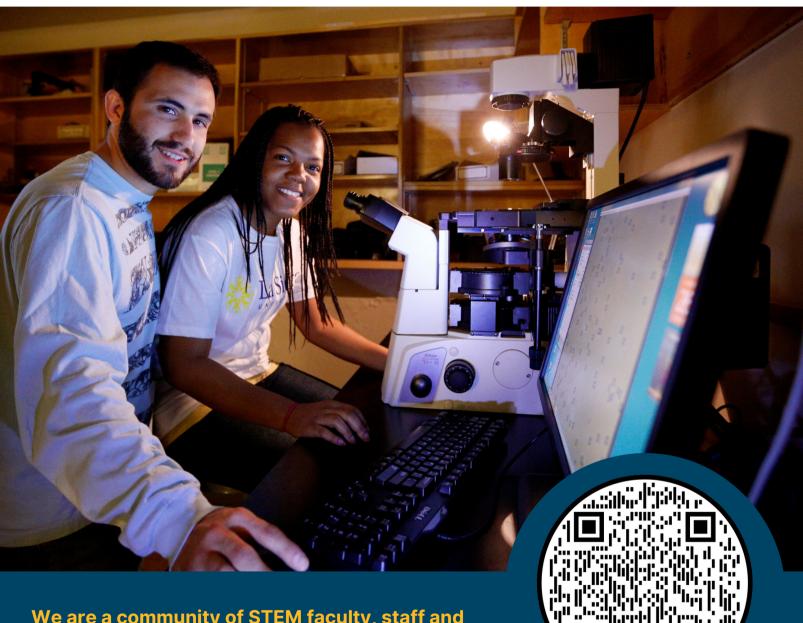


STEM PATHWAYS

Student Guidebook



We are a community of STEM faculty, staff and students that offer support to those pursuing a degree in STEM. Take advantage of clear course schedules, holistic advising and a variety of resources to support you in your college journey and help you make informed decisions about your future career.

visit our website



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STEM PATHWAYS

STUDENT GUIDEBOOK

Students who participate in STEM Pathways will receive enhanced support to achieve their academic goals, and be given additional opportunities for networking, research and internships. Coordinators, Faculty, Advisors and Peer Mentors will work together to provide holistic support for STEM Pathways students.

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Background

STEM Pathways is a Guided Pathways to Success Title V grant initiative. Title V is a 3-million-dollar grant awarded by the Department of Education to La Sierra University in Oct. 2019. Title V aims to increase access to science, technology, engineering and mathematics degrees and career opportunities to Hispanic and low-income students across the Inland Empire. The grant assists in increasing enrollment for STEM degrees, enhancing facilities, upgrading equipment, supporting student services that positively affect graduation rates and developing faculty and staffing needs.

Grant Target

Provide equitable access for Hispanic and low-income students to complete articulated STEM degrees and go on to STEM-related career opportunities.

Grant Objectives

- Increase the number of first-time and transfer STEM students enrolled
- Increase retention and graduation rates in STEM students
- Increase in students who participated in grant-supported services or programs and completed a degree or credential

Objectives

Short-term: Increase by 15% the number of Hispanic and low-income STEM students who participate in grant-supported services or programs and complete a STEM degree or credential.

Long-term: Increase by 15% the number of Hispanic and low-income first-time, full-time degree-seeking undergraduate students graduating within six years of enrollment with a STEM degree.

Purpose

STEM Pathways aims to improve college completion and career success by streamlining students' journey through college via structured choice, holistic support and clear learning outcomes. This program will collaborate with STEM departments and university resources to enhance the systems already in place with the goal of institutionalization.

The Problem

La Sierra University is a proud Hispanic Serving Institution with a population of 46% Latino. Unfortunately La Sierra has among the lowest graduation rates for Hispanics in California. The Education Trust research found that La Sierra's 6-year graduation rates for Hispanic students falls well below similar private non-profit Hispanic-serving institutions in the surrounding area. Student under preparedness is the single most significant factor affecting Hispanic college success and under-represented students, particularly in STEM. Our undergraduates, especially Hispanics and under-represented, have the characteristics of the most high-need students, struggling to address STEM rigor.

The Solution

STEM Pathways aims to make STEM degree programs more accessible to local Hispanic and under-represented students so that they can access higher paying STEM jobs. STEM Pathways offers clear curriculum pathways for both 2-year college and high school students as well as full time students at La Sierra. In addition to assisting students choose a STEM Path, we ensure they remain on track by offering holistic advising and career exploration and development.

STEM Pathways Program

STEM pathways offers enhanced support to students pursuing a bachelor's degree in STEM. Students can take advantage of clear course schedules, holistic advising, peer mentoring, priority access to internships, research and directed study opportunities and a variety of resources to support their college journey and help them make informed decisions about their future careers.

STEM Majors Able to Apply

- Biochemistry
- Biology
- Biomathematics
- Biophysics
- Chemistry
- Computer Science

- Exercise Science
- Health Science
- Mathematics
- Neuroscience
- Physics
- Psychology

Programs & Resources

- Peer Mentoring
- Peer Led-Learning
- Support Mapping
- STEM Support Group
- Clear Course Schedules
- Connection with STEM Faculty and Alumni
- STEM Workshop
- STEM Summit

- Financial Literacy
- STEM Bridge
- Summer Research Experience
- AVID Club
- STEM Social Events
- Access to Internships, Research and Directed Study Opportunities

STEM PATHWAYS

PROGRAMS & RESOURCES



STEM Peer Mentoring

Relationship building, connection to valuable resources, and guidance of the university system

STEM Socials

Social events where students, faulty, staff, and alumni participate in a STEM related activity or discussion

Peer Led Learning

Study sessions for STEM classes that have lower-thanaverage pass rates led by students who have already successfully taken the course

Support Mapping

Academic tracking and goal setting designed for each individual

STEM Summit

Panels and presentations on subjects imperative to STEM majors with an emphasis on career exploration

STEM Support Group

Group sessions to discuss career exploration and the opportunity to share and assess goals, struggles and solutions

ADDITIONAL

PROGRAMS & RESOURCES





Success in college finances. This resource includes workshops, assistance in scholarship search, budgeting and more

STEM Bridge

Hands-on experience working with container farming and learning the science to make it work

Research Opportunities

Priority access to internships, research, and directed study opportunities

Summer Research Experience

Students assist with experiments and research while earning real-life experience in the lab. STEM Pathway students receive priority registration

ff Connect

Connect with La Sierra STEM Alumni for advice and shadowing opportunities

19 AVID Club

Promotes AVID strategies and helps students navigate college through peer mentoring and social events



Student Expectations

Students in the Guided Pathways program will be expected to:

- Work with the Guided Pathway Coordinator to maintain a 2.5 GPA and earn no lower than a C in all STEM coursework
- Connect with a La Sierra academic advisor each term (semester for community college students and quarter for La Sierra students)
- Attend a minimum of two Guided Pathways events per quarter (any combination of workshops, social events, speaker events, STEM skill sessions, etc.)
- Agree to tracking of academic performance and participate in additional recommended supports (such as regular Peer-Led Learning attendance), as needed to maintain academic performance

Benefits

Though all La Sierra students will have access to basic support, Guided Pathways students will be provided enhanced support and additional opportunities. California community college and high school students in the Guided Pathways program will be able to take advantage of these La Sierra supports prior to transfer, and be given preference for the Summer Research Experience. The differences below highlight the program benefits.

- STEM peer monitoring
- customized advising quarterly
- Access to STEM Workshops
- STEM Summit and Social Events
- Access to Peer-Led Learning
- Minimum 2.5 GPA + grades of C or above in all STEM courses
- Priority access to internship, research and directed study opportunites

How Does STEM Pathways Work?

There are three different tracks for entering STEM Pathways:

Track 1 is for registered La Sierra students (sophomores and juniors),

Track 2 is for first-year and transfer students at La Sierra and

Track 3 is the **2+2** for **community college students and high school seniors** that are not yet ready to transfer

Registered Students (Track 1)

Step 1: Application

• Returning La Sierra students will apply here: https://apply.lasierra.edu/register/?
id=de62b252-bd74-4e99-a07b-64d601cf8975

Step 2: Review

• Once the application is submitted the STEM Pathways coordinator will review it and reach out to the student for a one-on-one meeting.

Step 3: Choose a Path

• If the student is eligible (see pg. 5) and is accepted into the Program, the STEM Pathways coordinator will set up a one-on-one meeting to go over Pathways. A meeting will also be set up with a faculty advisor to help the student choose a STEM Path.

Eligibility

In order to be accepted to STEM Pathways returning students must:

- Be a returning sophomore or junior in STEM at La Sierra
- Submit a STEM Pathways Application
- Work to maintain a minimum 2.5 cumulative GPA
- Commit to program requirements

Questions? email STEMsupport@lasierra.edu

First Year Students and Transfer Students (Track 2)

First year and transfer students in a STEM degree are eligible to apply to the La Sierra STEM Pathways and take advantage of the programs and resources we offer to ensure a smooth transition into college/ Students will have access to all Guided Pathway support, including Peer-Led Learning and mentoring, STEM-focused workshops and social events.

Step 1: Application

- Students who are ready to enroll at La Sierra should apply via www.lasierra.edu/apply
 - Tip: Create an account > start a new application > select "STEM Pathways Programs" from the drop down menu

Step 2: Interview

• Once the application is submitted the STEM Pathways coordinator will review it and reach out to the student for an interview.

Step 3: Choose a Path

• If the student is eligible (see pg. 5) and is accepted into the Program, the STEM Pathways coordinator will set up a one-on-one meeting to go over Pathways. A meeting will also be set up with a faculty advisor to help the student choose a STEM Path.

Eligibility

In order to be accepted to STEM Pathways returning students must:

- Be a first year or transfer student in STEM at La Sierra
- Submit a <u>STEM Pathways Application</u>
- Work to maintain a minimum 2.5 cumulative GPA
- Commit to program requirements

2+2 Community College Students & High School Seniors (Track 3)

Students who begin their college career at a California community college or are high school seniors are eligible to apply to the La Sierra STEM Pathways and take advantage of the programs and resources we offer to ensure a smooth transition when ready to transfer. Students will have access to all Guided Pathway support, including Peer-Led Learning and mentoring, STEM-focused workshops and social events. Community college Guided Pathway students will be given priority to La Sierra's Summer Research Experience, an 8-week paid research internship.

Step 1: Application

• Students who are in a two year college or are seniors in high school and are not ready to enroll at La Sierra can still take advantage of all the resources we offer. In order to enroll students must first fill out the following application:

https://apply.lasierra.edu/register/?id=de62b252-bd74-4e99-a07b-64d601cf8975

Step 2: Interview

• Once the application is submitted the STEM Pathways coordinator will review it and reach out to the student for an interview.

Step 3: Choose a Path

• If the student is eligible (see pg. 5) and is accepted into the Program, the STEM Pathways coordinator will set up a one-on-one meeting to go over Pathways. A meeting will also be set up with a faculty advisor to help the student choose a STEM Path.

Eligibility

In order to be accepted to STEM Pathways community college students must:

- Submit a Community College STEM Pathways Application
- Be a current high school senior, California community college student in good standing
- Work to maintain a minimum 2.5 cumulative GPA
- Commit to program requirements

STEM Guided Pathways

STEM Guided Pathways (GPS) show you a clear roadmap of all the courses you will need to take in order to graduate on time from your desired degree. Please take a look at which Pathway you want to commit to:

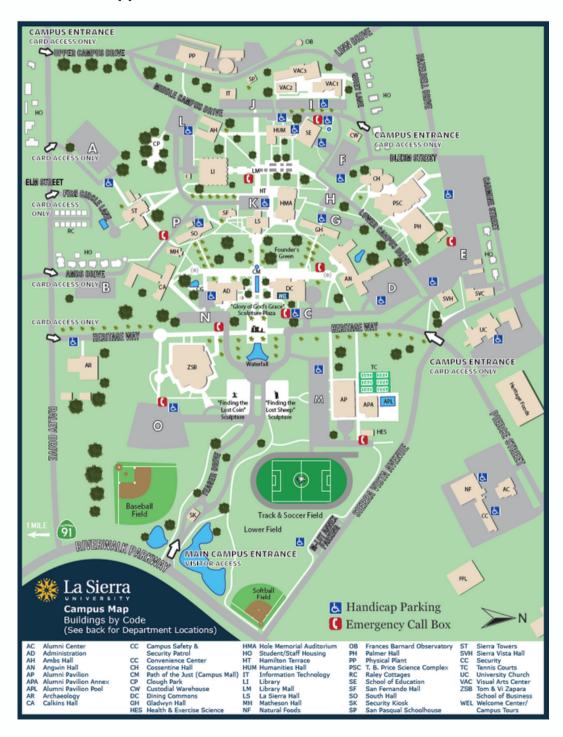
- BS in Mathematics
- BS in Biophysics
- BS in Physics
- BS in Health Science: Nutrition
- BS in Health Science: Clinical Health Studies
- BS in Exercise Science
- BS in Computer Science
- BS in Biology: Biological Science
- BS in Biology: Biomedical Science
- BS in Biomathematics
- BS in Biochemistry: Health Professions
- BS in Biochemistry: Biochemical Science
- BS in Chemistry
- BA in Chemistry
- BA in Psychology

Once you have been accepted to STEM Pathways you will need to **set up a meeting with our GPS developer and STEM Faculty Dr. Helbley to review your Guided Pathway and make sure you are on track.**

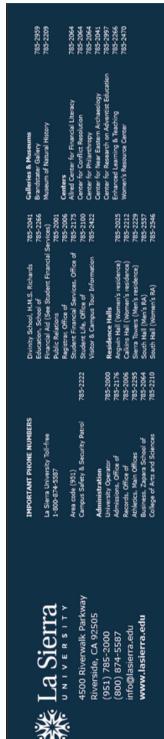
To schedule a meeting with Dr. Helbley follow this link: https://tidycal.com/jhelbley

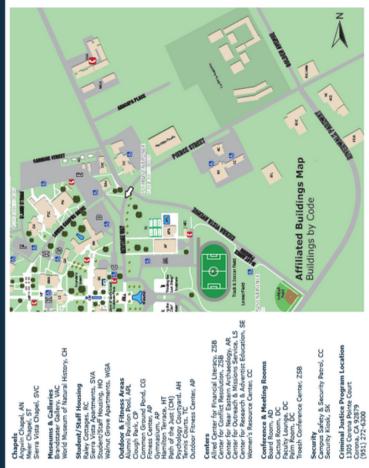
Campus Resources

If you are feeling a bit disoriented, here are some campus maps and resources to help you get started. If you don't find what you are looking for please reach out to us at STEMsupport@lasierra.edu



Campus Resources





Outdoor & Fitness Areas Alumni Pavilion Pool, APL Clough Park, CP Common Ground Pond, CG Fitness Center, AP

Chapels Angwin Chapel, AN Meier Chapel, ST Sierra Vista Chapel, SVC

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Gymnasium, AP Hamilton Terrace, HT Path of the Just (CM) Psychology Courtyard, AH Tennis Courts, TC Outdoor Fitness Center, AP

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Orasi Colfe, MF
Previdenta, AD
Sucudent Title Office of, AD
Teating Services, AD
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World Languages, GH
Writing Context HUM
Welcome Center, WEL
Wellness Services, AC
Wellness Services, AC
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Campus Resources

STEM Clubs

Have you thought about joining a club? Here is a list of STEM related clubs on campus that you might want to check out!

Chemistry Club

email: hemclub@lasierra.edu insta handle: @lasierrachemclub

• Pre-Dentistry Club

email: predentsociety@lasierra.edu insta handle: @lasierrapredent

Pre-Law Society

email: prelawclub@lasierra.edu insta handle: @prelaw.lasierra

• Pre-Medical Society

email: premedsociety@lasierra.edu insta handle: @premedlasierra

• Pre-Nursing Club

email: lasierrapnc@lasierra.edu insta handle: @lasierrapnc

• Pre-Physicians Assistant Club

• Pre PT/OT Club

email: preptotclub@lasierra.edu insta handle: @lasierrapreptoclub

• Psi Chi: Honors Psychology

email: psichi@lasierra.edu insta handle: @psichi_lasierra

• Tri-Beta: Honors Biology

email: tribeta@lasierra.edu insta handle: @lasierratribeta

Other Clubs

Investment Club

email: invest-club@lasierra.edu insta handle: @lasierrainvest

AVID club

email: avidclub@lasierra.edu

Environmental Club

email: environmentalclub@lasierra.edu insta handle: @lasu_envo

Hispanic Business Club

email: hbi@lasierra.edu insta handle: @hbi lasierra

Study Related Resources

Library

Location: 4600 La Sierra Ave, Riverside, CA 92505

Contact: library@lasierra.edu

Website: https://lasierra.edu/library/

Collaborative Learning Center (CLC)

• Provides free tutoring and other academic assistance to La Sierra University students

• Location: Library room 325

• Contact: clc@lasierra.edu

• Hours: Available once the quarter starts

Website: https://lasierra.edu/oacs/clc/

Peer-Led Learning (PLL)

• A co-curricular support program for STEM classes that typically have a lower class pass rate

• led by students who have successfully taken the course previously.

• Location: Palmer Hall 254

• Contact: rguzenski@lasierra.edu

Website: https://lasierra.edu/title-v/guided-pathways/peer-led-learning/

Writing Center

• Location: Humanities Hall 101 OR online

• Appointment: https://www.lasierra.mywconline.com/

• Contact: writingcenter@lasierra.edu

Website: https://lasierra.edu/english/writing-center/

Virtual Resources

To view a **list of virtual resources on campus click here**

compiled by Lynneth Guzman

Campus Organizations

SALSU

The Student Association of La Sierra University (SALSU) represents the student's voice. They are a group of students leaders, elected and hired, who advocate for student issues, plan events, release publications, and most importantly, build up our campus community.

OSI

The Office of Student Involvement provides students with opportunities for entertainment, leadership development, administrative support, advertisement, student organizational support, and numerous ways to get involved on campus. Our aim is to create an active environment with servant leaders through Christian fellowship on the La Sierra University campus.

Food on Campus

- The Eagle's Nest Cafe
 Location: Next to the Dining Commons and Student Lounge
- The Dining Commons (aka The Caf)
 Location: Next to the Eagle's Nest and
 Student Lounge
- Vending machines across campus
 Snack and drinks
- Golden Eagle Food Pantry
 For more visit their website:
 https://lasierra.edu/slife/golden-eagle-food-pantry/

Food off Campus

Oasis Vegetarian Cafe

Location: across the street at the La Sierra Natural Foods Store offers discount to students that show ID

• Rohey's Wok and Grill

Location: Pierce St. Japanese fusion restaurant Pho Ha

Location: Tyler st. across the mall authentic Vietnamese food

• Restaurante Salvadoreno

Location: Next to Stater bros. at La Sierra.

Health and Fitness

Fitness Center

Location: Alumni PavilionContact: (951) 785-2514

- Due to class schedules and athletic practice schedules, availability may be limited at certain times
- Contact to check for availability

Website: https://lasierra.edu/fitness-center/

Aquatics

Location: Alumni PavilionContact: (951) 785-2346

Website: https://www.lsugoldeneagles.com/Aquatics

Alumni Pavilion Gymnasium

- Location: Alumni Pavilion, next to the Fitness Center
- Includes basketball, volleyball, and badminton courts
- Can borrow equipment
- Contact: (951) 785-2514
- Due to class schedules and athletic practice schedules, availability may be limited at certain times
- Contact to check for availability

Student Wellness Services

Student Wellness Services is continuing to provide health services to the campus, while protecting both the university community and our office staff from exposure. Student Wellness provides various physical and mental health services, including physical exams, TB testing, individual therapy, couples therapy, family therapy, Psychiatry, and more.

For full details visit: https://lasierra.edu/medical-services/list-of-medical-services/

Counseling Services

- Individual & Couples Counseling
- stress
- depression
- loneliness
- eating concerns

- relationship and family conflicts
- sexual assault
- self-improvement
- test anxiety

Workshops

• Workshops dealing with all types of mental health and career exploration concerns on our campus.

Groups

• Join other students with common interests in a supportive group.

Finding a Therapist

- Hera Counseling (Redlands)
- Collaborative Psych Group (Riverside)

Mental Health Apps

- Wysa: For depression and anxiety
- Reflectly: Journal and mood tracker
- Habit Tracker: Goal tracker & daily planner
- ADHD Test for Adults: Quiz, definitions and symptoms
- iBreath: Meditation app for breathing
- Calm: Sleep, meditation, relaxation
- **Dare**: Panic & anxiety relief
- Tappy: Self care, fidgeter

In Case of an Emergency

IF YOU ARE EXPERIENCING A LIFE THREATENING EMERGENCY CALL 911!

- If you are experiencing a **non-life threatening** but time-sensitive emergency you can **call Brenda, STEM Pathways Coordinator at (951) 405-2162**
- <u>Parkview Community Hospital</u> (4.2 miles): 3865 Jackson Street, Riverside, CA 92503 (951) 688-2211 (ER); (951) 353-1021 (Urgent Care)
- <u>Kaiser Permanente</u> (2 miles): 10800 Magnolia Avenue, Riverside, CA 92505 (833) 574-2273
- Pacific Grove Hospital (24-hour): (951) 330-3649; 5900 Brockton Avenue, Riverside, CA 92506
- **Riverside County Psychilatric Care Facility** Arlington Campus: (951) 358-6858; 9990 County Farm Road, Suite 4, Riverside, CA 92505

Important Crisis Numbers

- Suicide and Crisis (24 hr. help line)
 (951) 686-4357
- CARES (800) 706-7500
- Sexual Assault Services (909) 885-8884
- Riverside Rape Crisis Center **(951) 686-7273**

- Peer Navigation Line (888) 768-4968
- Emergency Treatment Services ETS: **(951)-358-4881**
- 24/7 Mental Health Urgent Care **(951) 509-2499**
- Alcoholics Anonymous (909) 825-4357

Local Therapy (out of network)

- Psychology Today: www.psychologytoday.com/us
- Good Therapy: www.goodtherapy.org/
- **Mental Health Crisis Services**: <u>www.rcdmh.org/Crisis-Resources/County-Mental-Health-Triage-Services</u>
- **Dogon Behavioral Medical Group**: <u>www.dogonmentalhealth.com</u>

Medical Services

Contact

- Location: Convenience Center
 - 11498 Pierce Street Suites #A & #B Riverside, CA 92505
- Email: wellness@lasierra.edu
 Phone: (951) 785-2200
- * For more information visit https://lasierra.edu/wellness/

What type of appointment do you need? **EMERGENCY** URGENT NON-URGENT Call Student Wellness Service Schedule a future **Call 911** appointment with Student Wellness at (951) 785-2200 OR to speak with our staff and Go to the nearest By phone: (951) 785-2200 future appointment is hospital immediately! Online: PnCweb.lasierra.edu You have a life- or health-threatening You have an illness or injury that You have a new concern or change medical or psychiatric condition that requires prompt medical attention in an existing health condition OR if requires immediate medical attention. but is NOT life-threatening. you have heath care needs or preventive screening you know about Examples: Examples: in advance. · Severe Pain (abdominal, chest, etc.) **Examples:** · General difficulty breathing OR · Cough or sore throat shortness of breath · Sexually transmitted Seizure · Joint sprains infection screenings · Sudden loss of consciousness Gradual skin changes . Inability to talk or move part of your Vaccinations body · Frequent urination or burning · Unplanned weight loss or gain Severe panic attack · Plans to commit harm to self or Ongoing anxiety Physical exams for sports · Severe, persistent bleeding Pap tests . Major injuries from a vehicle or other accident, gunshot(s) or stab wounds

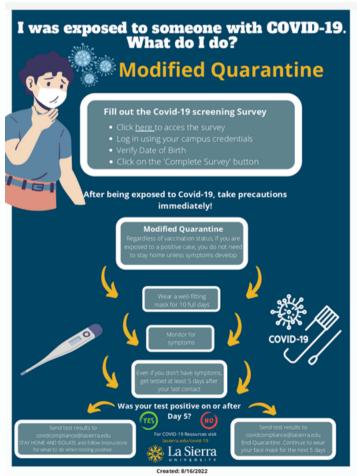
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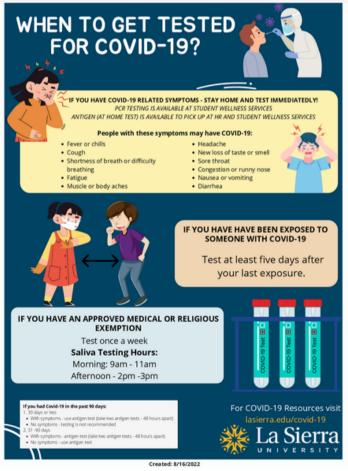
On Campus

• limited resources contact the Wellness center by phone at (951) 785-2200

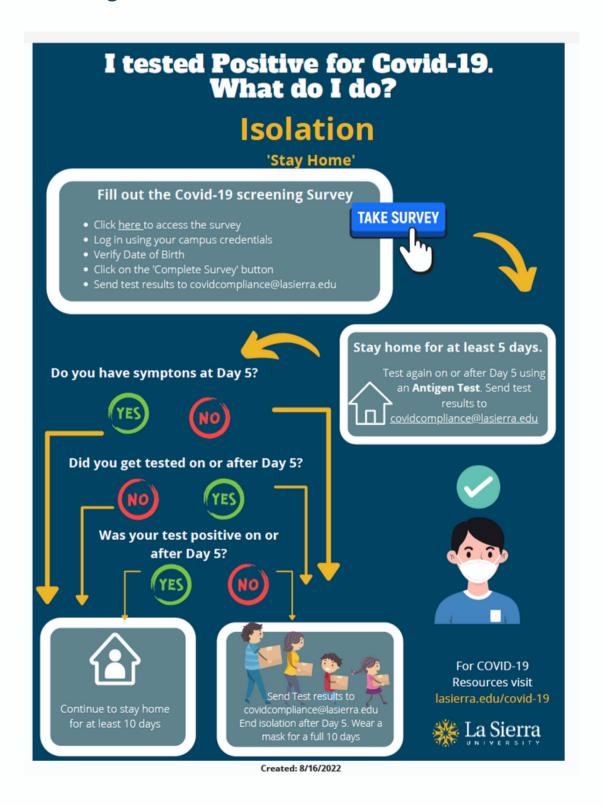
Off Campus

- https://curative.com/
- COVID-19 Screening and Testing (Riverside County Resource):
- https://www.projectbaseline.com/study/covid-19/
- https://tinyurl.com/RiversideCountyCOVID19Testing





COVID Testing



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Brenda works on developing STEM Pathways programs as well as overseeing the STEM Peer Mentoring Program. Reach out to her for questions regarding STEM Pathways and STEM Peer Mentoring, as well as campus and community resources. she is an alumna and a poet who has served the community for over 10 years.



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Peer-Led Learning Coordinator, Katharine "Rose" Guzenski is in charge of developing and increasing pass rates for gateway courses. STEM students struggling in core courses can reach out to her to schedule a session with a peer who has successfully completed the course.



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STEM Services Development Coordinator, Tabetha Johnson is responsible for assisting with both the Guided Pathways to Success and STEM Teacher Training grants. **She is also the coordinator and student mentor for STEM Bridge** and manages the Title V webpages.

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Andrea is a La Sierra alum and the Title V **Financial Literacy specialist** and empowers students in their financial success. Reach out to her if you need help finding scholarships, need assistance budgeting or have questions about money related concepts.



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Michael Gutierrez Summer Research Experience Coordinator

As Guided Pathways Mentor, Dr. Michael Gutierrez works with STEM pathway students on a regular basis. **He is responsible for the development of the 8-week summer research program** to be held for select community college students on La Sierra's campus each year.



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As Summer Bridge Coordinator, Dr. Eric Vega collaborates with various STEM departments on campus to create an intensive, annual hybrid program for incoming freshmen and transfer students. The program strengthens their gateway skills and helps them feel better equipped before starting their degree paths at La Sierra.

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Amy Wolf is a La Sierra alumna and the Title V Grants Coordinator, assisting with management across the university's Title V grants. She provides support to the Title V team, gathers data for reporting and grant guidance, and works to contribute to student success across the university.



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Dr. Jennifer Helbley serves as the Guided Pathways Team Leader developing academic degree pathways and working with faculty to create multi-year roadmaps. She also assists with the grant by mentoring advisors, implementing intervention and retention programs for student success, and working with university outreach.



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Dr. Marvin Payne serves as **Project Director for Guided Pathways to Success.** He has a background in biochemistry and biology as well as numerous leadership roles on campus over the years. He is leading both of the university's Title V grants.