

Asbury Announces Partnership With Lumina College

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WILMORE, Ky. — Asbury University officials have announced a groundbreaking partnership between Asbury and Lumina College, a Christian institution based in Hong Kong.

Asbury President Sandra C. Gray and Lumina President Wing Tai Leung signed an agreement on June 12 through which students at Lumina will be able to earn a **Master of Arts in Communication: Digital Storytelling** ([/academics/degrees/graduate/digital-storytelling/](#)) from Asbury.

The first cohort of Lumina students will begin classes in Fall 2018 in a hybrid program that incorporates online and classroom learning. Lumina students will complete part of their coursework online, supplemented with weeklong intensive sessions with Asbury faculty on site.

Through this partnership, Asbury embraces the “world parish” vision of John Wesley, partnering with a like-minded institution to offer outstanding Christian higher education in Hong Kong and the surrounding region.

“I’m excited to see the worldwide impact that arises from Asbury University’s partnership with Lumina College,” Gray said. “God works through people, and His wisdom in bringing us together, from Hong Kong and the U.S., will enable us to further His purposes. Through this international collaboration, we will further academic excellence and spiritual vitality, strengthening our mission to impact the world for Christ.”

For Leung, the partnership represents a much-needed cooperation in international higher education, and he believes it will lay the groundwork for similar efforts throughout Christian higher education.

“This partnering is a path-finding, pace-setting moment,” Leung said. “It’s very important as a Christian witness. I think we’re going to impact collaboration in Christian higher education leadership in the east as well as the west.”

To learn more about Asbury’s Master of Arts in Communication: Digital Storytelling, visit: [asbury.edu/GradCom](#) ([/academics/degrees/graduate/digital-storytelling/](#)).

BY THE NUMBERS

1000

Students in Graduate/APS Programs

Asbury currently has a record enrollment for Graduate & Degree Completion Programs (APS) of nearly 1,000 students.

BY THE NUMBERS

Top 15

U.S. News Southern Universities

In 2018-19, Asbury is ranked in the Top 15 of the U.S. News Regional (South) Universities top colleges rankings. AU has been in the Top 15 (including No. 1 in 2015) of various U.S. News rankings for a decade.

BY THE NUMBERS

\$1M

Contributed in Service

Every two years, Asbury students do more than a million dollars of free service in their community and around the world.

BY THE NUMBERS

Only One

Asbury University is the only school in Kentucky with an Online Instructional Design program.

Financial Aid Available, Including Scholarships!

8-Week Classes beginning in August, October, January and March

BY THE NUMBERS

98%

Grads Working or in Grad School

98% of Asbury grads are working or in grad school six months or less after graduation.

BY THE NUMBERS

350+

Theatrically-Released Films

Asburians have worked on more than 350 theatrically-released films and more than 500 network television productions, and have won over 60 Emmy Awards. Additionally, they have worked on films that garnered 91 Oscar nominations (and won 23) and been cinematographers or editors of films screened at three Sundance Festivals.

BY THE NUMBERS

80%

Faculty Hold Terminal Degrees

More than 80% of Asbury's full-time faculty have terminal degrees.

BY THE NUMBERS

One

Only U.S. university with a student-conducted police horse training program

Asbury University is the only university in America with a police horse training program conducted by students.

BY THE NUMBERS

80

Countries with Asbury Alumni

Asbury grads are living and working in more than 80 countries around the world.

BY THE NUMBERS

12:1

Student to Faculty Ratio

With a 12:1 student/faculty ratio, more than 70% of Asbury's classes have fewer than 20 students.

BY THE NUMBERS

100%

Received Scholarships

100% of Asbury's 2019-20 incoming freshman class received scholarships.

BY THE NUMBERS

16

Athletic Teams

All of Asbury's 16 athletic teams (plus cheerleading) offer scholarships.

BY THE NUMBERS

\$2K

Out-of-State Aid

All out-of-state students receive an additional \$2,000 in financial aid.

BY THE NUMBERS

12+

Music Ensembles

One of only two Christian schools in the state with a nationally accredited Music Department. Asbury offers more than a dozen ensembles and performance scholarships for music and non-music majors.

BY THE NUMBERS

No. 1

Christian Social Work Program

Recently, Asbury was named the No. 1-ranked Christian Social Work program in the nation by Social Work Degree Guide.

BY THE NUMBERS

99%

Receiving Financial Aid

99% of Asbury students receive financial aid.

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