

# UIL

University for Integrative Learning  
A School of AIWP



*"Where learning is sacred and experience counts."*

**Open** to the experience of a university that deepens—not dampens—your dreams. Give yourself the opportunity to explore your passion for learning in the context of a self-designed program that is based on your background of experience, your unique needs, and your personal career and educational goals.

**Discover** the difference of UIL as a cutting-edge, internationally recognized university that honors intellectual creativity, personal life experience, interdisciplinary and community-based learning, human diversity, and self-directed study within a context of trust, mutual respect, and spiritual freedom.

**Celebrate** the support of a university where love of life meets love of learning, where the individual comes first, and where the traditional stumbling blocks to higher education are removed so you can achieve your desired level of academic success in a humane, self-empowering way.

## **The Birth of UIL in Alternative Education**

A contemporary foundation for the University for Integrative Learning was laid in 1964, when the elementary and secondary departments in Harvard's School of Education and the Union for Research and Experimentation in Higher Education began to develop innovative and alternative programs. As these programs expanded along diverse paths, the umbrella organization for UIL--the Association for the Integration of the Whole Person--joined forces with the movement for alternative education when AIWP was founded in 1975.

The University for Integrative Learning is devoted to personal wholeness and the educational freedom that comes from honoring each individual's uniqueness within the context of lifelong learning. If you are excited by the prospect of a degree program that upholds these ideals, the UIL may be the right choice for you.

## **UIL Mission Statement**

The University for Integrative Learning serves a spiritual learning community in ways consistent with humanistic educational philosophy and psychology. UIL places individuals at the center of their own learning processes in relation to all aspects of life.

### **Guiding Principles and Values**

- Every individual is a unique and complete being: spiritual, mental, emotional, and physical.
- Freedom of individual expression is an inherent intellectual and spiritual birthright.
- Learning is a lifelong process.
- Lifelong learning is both a right and a responsibility that cannot be ignored without denying life at its root.
- Active, cooperative, interdisciplinary learning is encouraged throughout life.
- Everyone deserves equal access to advanced educational degrees.
- Equality and diversity are actively fostered in regard to race, sex, class, age, ethnic background, sexual orientation, and different abilities.
- The community is honored as a valuable resource for learning.
- Relevant life experience is a valid, credit-worthy part of academic degree programs.
- Lifelong learning allows shorter enrollment periods for each degree level.
- Theory, practice, and critical understanding must be integrated to provide a holistic assessment of learning experiences.
- The relationship between learners and mentors functions best in an atmosphere of safety, trust, and respect, including power-balanced dialogues that nurture individual and interpersonal growth.
- Academic degrees, learning, and life itself are essentially spiritual/religious experiences, in harmony with each individual's personal beliefs.
- Human diversity, pluralism, and all nonviolent belief systems are honored in accordance with the credo of UIL's parent organization, the Association for the Integration of the Whole Person (AIWP).

## **Benefits of Enrollment at UIL**

1. You are honored as the most powerful player in your learning process.
2. You design your own course work and degree program.
3. You choose your own teachers, academic materials, and style of expression.
4. You receive personalized, ongoing attention from your own university provost.
5. You draw on the resources of the world's biggest campus: your community.
6. You receive credit for on-the-job training, independent study, tutorials, workshops and seminars, religious studies, and all other relevant life experience, in addition to receiving credit for course work completed at other universities.
7. You enjoy the financial ease of affordable enrollment fees made possible by UIL's nonprofit status.
8. You can take advantage of year-round enrollment to fit your personal and professional needs.
9. You have an extended period of time to complete your degree without incurring additional fees.
10. You are supported by the strength of a university that is deeply rooted in the founding tenets of alternative education.

## **Things You WON'T Find at UIL**

1. Grades.
2. Required courses.
3. Discrimination of any kind.
4. Scheduling conflicts.
5. Exorbitant tuition fees.
6. Inflexible time frame for degree completion.

Celebrate the support of a university where love of life meets love of learning and where you, the student, will come first.

## **Degrees, Fees, and Enrollment**

The University for Integrative Learning is committed to easing your process of enrollment and graduation by keeping fees and procedures to a minimum, thus freeing you to focus as much as possible on your chosen path of learning.

### **Degree Programs:**

- Bachelor of Arts (B.A.)
- Masters of Arts (M.A.)
- Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.)
- As a nonprofit spiritual university, UIL also offers Bachelor, Master, and Doctor of Divinity Degrees

### **Fees:**

- Application Fee: \$50
- Enrollment Fee: \$3000 per semester (four months) \$6000 per academic year (two semesters)

### **Enrollment Periods**

UIL contracts with learners for specified enrollment periods at each degree level. Agreements range from one academic year (two semesters) for bachelor's and master's degrees to two academic years for doctoral degrees (four semesters plus master's degree).

Contracted enrollment periods are determined by learners and their provosts. Following completion of payment for a given degree program, learners are welcome to take additional time to conclude their studies, without incurring any further enrollment fees.

### **The Next Step**

For more detailed information about degree programs, enrollment procedures, and fee arrangements, please schedule a telephone consultation with a UIL Provost by contacting the UIL Office:

AIWP / UIL

Email:

[aiwpcentral@gmail.com](mailto:aiwpcentral@gmail.com)

Phone: (707) 586-9484

There is no fee or obligation. We are happy to assist you.

## Accreditation

As a nonsectarian spiritual university, AIWP's University for Integrative Learning is exempt from regional accreditation practices. Since its inception, AIWP has supported the Constitution of the United States in its stated mission of maintaining a separation of church and state. This separation of church and state gives people the freedom to be true to their spiritual values in all aspects of life, including the pursuit of their educational goals.

AIWP upholds this constitutional freedom in the design and execution of its degree programs, while consistently adhering to a rigorous level and quality of learning that demonstrates equivalency with other internationally respected universities. AIWP established the University for Integrative Learning to serve a world population in the same spirit as its predecessors: Oxford, Cambridge, the Sorbonne, and various University Without Walls programs.

Accreditation is a form of certification found only in the United States. Accrediting agencies are private corporations that assume responsibility for determining the acceptability of secondary and higher education programs. In contrast to the United States, all other nations charge the government, the public, and educational institutions with the responsibility of determining the quality and acceptability of universities and colleges.

The headquarters for UIL is in Wyoming, registered under the name AIWP with the Secretary of State. The headquarters for AIWP, and the administrative office for UIL, is in California at the address below. The State of Wyoming has laws that recognize the U.S. Constitution's separation of church and state, exempting legitimate religious institutions from state and federal laws other than those against performing criminal acts, practicing medicine or engaging in state or federal politics as a political party or for a particular party or government person. Their laws exempt religious organizations that have schools that teach and offer degrees in the areas that embody their religion. AIWP was established in 1975 as a nonsectarian religious organization to ordain qualified persons who wish to serve others in areas for which they have been trained. Its credo and written texts state as a major reason for its existence the belief that all learning is a spiritual mission and lifelong learning is the path to higher consciousness. AIWP/UIL is open to all who would not deliberately do harm to self, others, or the environment.

