

Dear Students,

I am writing to let you know that I will be concluding 12 years of service here at La Sierra University on June 30. While you can read more about my decision on the university's website, I want you to know that I am particularly grateful for what I have learned from you.

I really do believe that young people have the ability to change the world, and I have been excited to see the many ways in which you have accomplished this through your service, your leadership, and your scholarship.

Over the years, I have been invigorated as I have listened to you speak about your research projects, as you have led our community in inspiring worship, and as I have watched you exhibit tremendous sportsmanship on our athletic fields and in the gym. From remarkable musical performances that lifted my spirits to theatrical experiences that challenged me to reflect more wholly upon what it is to be human—you have amazed me over and over again. Indeed, you have helped us to discover new ways to serve our community and our world, bringing national and international attention to our university.

Please know that the university Board of Trustees, as it leads out in the search for the next president of the university, will be very interested in your hopes and aspirations for La Sierra. I would encourage you to speak with SALSU President Ashton Hardin as she works with the Board on this important task; I am certain she would be grateful for your input.

Thank you for beautifully embodying the heart of the mission of our university—to “seek truth, to know God, and to serve others.” I will always be grateful for the journey we've shared.

Randal Wisbey
President

