

## Frequently Asked Questions

**Question:** Why did Chapman University change the name of its college that focuses on non-traditional students to Brandman University?

**Answer:** Chapman University established Brandman University as a separate, fully accredited institution to be more flexible and responsive to the ever-changing needs of working adults. By becoming Brandman University, we will have further flexibility to offer additional in-demand degrees online and across 25 campuses in California and Washington including a Bachelor's and Master's in Business Administration and Master's in Public Administration in January 2010, and nursing degrees in August 2010. Brandman University, with its unique identity, will continue to deliver the quality education its students have come to expect from Chapman.

**Question:** Why was the name Brandman University chosen?

**Answer:** A strong advocate of education, particularly for working adults, Joyce Brandman, president of the Brandman Foundation, gifted \$10 million to the university to support its mission of providing working students with convenient access to a quality education that is adaptive and relevant to their needs. In response to this generous donation, Chapman University President James L. Doti and the Board of Regents agreed to name the university Brandman University.

**Question:** Is Chapman University College/Brandman University severing its ties with Chapman University?

**Answer:** No. Brandman University is, and will remain, a part of the Chapman University System. It will proudly continue to build on Chapman University's 148-year heritage of providing an exceptional education and will continue to meet the rigorous accreditation standards of the Western Association of Schools and Colleges. As part of the Chapman University System, Brandman University shares 60 percent of its board members with Chapman University to ensure its adherence to Chapman's high standards.

**Question:** What is the Chapman University System?

**Answer:** Established in 2009, the Chapman University System was created to be responsive to the divergent needs of today's student population. The System consists of Chapman University, a 148-year-old, fully accredited private university in Orange, California that is focused on the needs of traditional full-time students; and Brandman University, a separate, fully accredited institution dedicated to extending the Chapman education to working adult students online and through a network of 25 campuses in California and Washington.

**Question:** How does the name change impact students at Chapman University's Orange, CA campus?

**Answer:** The name change does not have any impact on students at Chapman University's Orange campus. It is Chapman University College, the unit that serves working adult students, that was renamed Brandman University.

**Question:** How does the name change impact students attending Chapman University College?

**Answer:** Students currently attending Chapman University College whose designated catalog year is 2009-2010 or prior may choose a Chapman University or Brandman University degree and diploma. All students who choose to earn a Bachelor of Business Administration, Master of Business Administration or Master of Public Administration, regardless of designated catalog year, will be granted a Brandman University degree and diploma. All Brandman University diplomas will state that Brandman University is part of the Chapman University System.

**Question:** Will prospective students who've already submitted applications to Chapman University College be automatically transferred into the Brandman University application process?

**Answer:** Yes. All applicants who have submitted applications to Chapman University College will automatically be transitioned to Brandman University after June 30, 2010.

**Question:** If a student was already enrolled at Chapman University College, will they still get a Chapman University degree and diploma?

**Answer:** Students whose designated catalog year is 2009-2010 or prior may choose a Chapman University or Brandman University degree and diploma. All students who choose to earn a Bachelor of Business Administration, Master of Business Administration or Master of Public Administration, regardless of designated catalog year, will be granted a Brandman University degree and diploma. All Brandman University diplomas will state that Brandman University is part of the Chapman University System.

**Question:** When will the name change on the diploma occur and what will it say?

**Answer:** Students whose designated catalog year is 2009-2010 or prior may choose a Chapman University or Brandman University degree and diploma. All students who choose to earn a Bachelor of Business Administration, Master of Business Administration or Master of Public Administration, regardless of designated catalog year, will be granted a Brandman University degree and diploma. All students whose designated catalog year is 2010 or beyond will earn a Brandman University degree and diploma. All Brandman University diplomas will state that Brandman University is part of the Chapman University System.

**Question:** Does the name change impact financial aid? If so, how?

**Answer:** No. The name change will not have any impact on students' financial aid. Students will continue to have access to federal and state financial aid based on their own eligibility.

**Question:** Does that name change have any impact on faculty?

**Answer:** No. Brandman University will continue the commitment to provide its students with access to the same high-quality instructors at each campus and online.

**Question:** How will the name change impact students who are enrolled but haven't started their first session at Chapman University College?

**Answer:** Students whose designated catalog year is 2009-2010 or prior may choose a Chapman University or Brandman University degree and diploma. All students who choose to earn a Bachelor of Business Administration, Master of Business Administration or Master of Public Administration, regardless of designated catalog year, will be granted a Brandman University degree and diploma. All Brandman University diplomas will state that Brandman University is part of the Chapman University System.

**Question:** Will the curriculum change?

**Answer:** Brandman University will continue to offer the high-quality programs that students expect from the University while aggressively enhancing and expanding in-demand degree and certificate programs required by today's adult students. These include a Bachelor's and Master's in Business Administration and Master's in Public Administration in January 2010, and nursing degrees in August 2010.

**Question:** Can a Chapman University College graduate request a Brandman University diploma?

**Answer:** Yes. Chapman University College alumni may request a Brandman University diploma which will be provided to them at no cost.

**Question:** Why choose Brandman University?

**Answer:** Education is an important investment, of time and money, and is a decision that should be investigated thoroughly. Compared to other institutions, students find that Brandman provides:

- a quality education to working adults who demand the same high academic standards as a traditional university, but whose lives require greater flexibility and real-world-relevance in the curriculum.
- academic stature, as it was built from Chapman University's century-and-a-half of academic excellence.
- personalized support from faculty and staff who are committed to helping students succeed.
- competitive tuition rates that are a remarkable value versus other institutions.



## Fact Sheet

**About Brandman University:** Built on Chapman University's century-and-a-half legacy of academic excellence, Brandman University, formerly Chapman University College, is a separate, fully accredited university established to provide a quality education to working adults - online and at 25 campuses throughout California and Washington. Brandman University, part of the Chapman University System, offers over 200 innovative undergraduate, graduate, certificate, credential and professional development programs in Business, Arts and Sciences, Health, and Education.

Past graduates include numerous local, regional and national “Teachers of the Year”, military leaders, a Fulbright Scholar and elected state and congressional representatives.

**Founded:** 1958

**Accreditation:** Western Association of Schools and Colleges

**Number of Students:** More than 10,000

**Campuses:** 25 campuses located throughout California and Washington

**Degrees/Certificate Programs:** Brandman University offers graduate and undergraduate degrees and certificate programs, including applied studies, criminal justice, healthcare, general and special education, organizational leadership, psychology, sociology and many more. Degrees in business administration and public administration will be offered in January 2010 as well as nursing degrees in August 2010.

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#### About Chapman University

Founded in 1861, Chapman University is one of California's oldest, most prestigious private universities and is home to over 4,000 undergraduate students and 1,500 graduate students at its home campus in Orange, California.