

FAQ for New SAS Faculty

What does the College of Liberal and Professional Studies (LPS) do?

LPS creates innovative and academically rigorous programs that align the intellectual strengths of Penn's School of Arts and Sciences with the advanced educational needs of emerging professions and new audiences. In addition to our focus on professional education and lifelong learning, LPS builds online courses and digital resources for the School.

What types of programs does LPS offer?

LPS programming includes:

- Undergraduate and Pre-Baccalaureate Programs
 - Bachelor of Applied Arts and Sciences (online), Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Fine Arts, Summer Sessions, Summer High School Academies, Young Scholars and Pre-College Program
- Professional & Non-Research Master's Degrees
 - Master of Applied Positive Psychology, Master of Behavioral and Decision Sciences, Master of Chemical Sciences, Master of Environmental Studies, Master of Liberal Arts, Master of Public Administration, Global Master of Public Administration (online), International Master of Public Administration, Master of Science in Applied Geosciences (online), Master of Science in Organizational Dynamics
- International Programs
 - English Language Programs, International Guest Student Program, Penn Summer Global Institute, Penn Summer Abroad, contract programs
- SAS Professional and Organizational Development
 - Non-credit, open enrollment and custom professional training and workforce development programs in face-to-face, online, and hybrid formats. Examples include resilience training programs and coding bootcamps.
- SAS Online Learning
 - Penn LPS Online offers for-credit certificates, online degrees (BAAS, GMPA, MSAG) and massive open online courses (MOOCs – e.g., Coursera).
 - The SAS Online Learning team and studio also provide support for Summer Sessions online courses and flipped, hybrid, and blended learning experiences.

What opportunities for faculty exist through LPS?

- SAS faculty teach in LPS undergraduate, master's, and summer programs – typically out of load for additional compensation.
- LPS provides support for faculty interested in developing or converting courses for online or hybrid delivery and for departments interested in developing digital teaching and learning resources.
- LPS partners with faculty and departments in the development and launch of new degree and non-degree programs.
- LPS partners with faculty to design and deliver innovative learning experiences to solve complex leadership and organizational issues.

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