

# **Brief History**

The roots of Ling Tung University go back to the early 1960's when the former congressman, Dr. Ya-ping Tsai, and his wife, Dr. Min Lee, located the school site at Nantun, Taichung. The University was then founded in 1963 as Ling Tung Junior College of Accounting, providing five-year programs in business areas for junior high school graduates. After 2005, Ling Tung University was promoted to a university, which provides four-year undergraduate programs.

Ling Tung University has four schools, offering 16 undergraduate programs, 11 graduate programs, and 11 two-year and five-year programs. Undergraduate programs are in the areas of business, finance, design, and information technology. Graduate programs focus on the fields of international business, finance and economics, management and visual communication. Five-year programs focus on training students with basic skills in the business field. Ling Tung also provides night programs and weekend programs for students pursuing lifelong learning.

In order to facilitate international academic exchange, Ling Tung University has established sister-relationships with colleges and universities in America, Korea, P.R.O.C., Japan, Chile, Vietnam, Australia and so on. Many graduates have gone to these partner universities to further their studies.

In National College Evaluations by the Ministry of Education, Ling Tung has outstanding achievements. For 10 consecutive years, since the 1991 school year, Ling Tung has been graded as "A+" among colleges providing business related programs. In 1995, nine undergraduate programs were graded "A+." In 1999's national evaluation, 11 undergraduate programs were evaluated as "A+."

With these accomplishments, Ling Tung University has advanced by continuing its belief in providing high learning quality.

## The Beliefs Of Ling Tung University

As one of the top universities in Taiwan, Ling Tung University's principle is "Put into practice what you have learned, and treat people with sincerity." Ling Tung aims at cultivating middle-to top-level expertise through a holistic education method with professional, aggressive, enthusiastic, and innovative beliefs. Ling Tung's education goals are to educate students in the following directions:

- -- Holistic education: To regard each student as a whole person who is not only an expert in his/her own area but a person with human skills;
- -- Professional: To equip students with professional knowledge by the end of their degrees;
- -- Information: To equip students with the latest information skills to meet the needs of modern society:
- -- International: To educate students with international perspective.

## **Development Principles**

- -- Harmonious Campus
- -- Sound Planning
- -- Steady Growth
- -- Distinguishing Features

#### **Development Goals**

- -- Short-Term Goal: To be promoted to be an excellent university
- -- Mid-to Long-Term Goal: To build a sound "Ling Tung Consortium"

#### Implementation

- To increase programs for students to have a second skill and associate major
- To increase students' ability for acquiring professional certificates
- To have innovative programs to meet the needs of modern society, and professional programs to prepare students for their future career
- To promote students' language ability
- To provide sound general education programs for students to attain humanistic skills

# **Feature & Prospect**

### **Distinguishing Features**

- Ranked as an "A<sup>+</sup> College" for 10 consecutive years.
- The first business college in Taiwan to be granted an ISO 9002 international quality management certification.
- An annual provision of more than 20 million NT dollars in scholarships and part-time employment on campus.
- Good relationships with the community.
- Emphasis on implementing the three-in-one, teaching, discipline and guidance, educational system.
- Lifelong learning programs are provided for continuing education.
- Vocational Training Center provided for training second profession ability.
- Student Labor Program in practice to mold student character.
- Second campus, Bao Wei Campus, is being under development to exploit teaching resource.

#### **Prospects**

#### Provide a Coherent Professional and Vocational Education System :

Since the establishment of Ling Tung University, various college level programs in business areas have been provided. To become a learning center in middle Taiwan, Ling Tung University will integrate existing Ling Tung High School, elementary school, and even kindergarten to compose a Ling Tung Consortium, which will provide all types of learning for people of all age.

#### Provide a Complete Human Resource :

**Education System:** 

Located at the flux of transportation of the Great Taichung Area, Ling Tung University will supply professional skill training programs for small and middle industries.

#### Provide Lifelong Learning Education :

As lifelong learning is a trend of the new economy, learning is necessary at all ages. Ling Tung's professional education has designed different programs, such as second-skill training programs for people who are unemployed, credit programs for working people to further their studies, and several professional license-training programs in computer and finance.

### Provide an International Education System :

Ling Tung University is active in conducting international academic exchange activities. Not only have we established sister relationships with counterparts in America, Japan, Korea, and Australia, but also have close relationships with top ten universities in Mainland China.

## **Facilities**

One of the largest complexes on Chung An Campus has three parts. On the left side is the Ya-ping Building. This building has language labs, student club rooms, dance studios, a gym, and an International Conference Center. The middle part of the complex includes modern restaurants, a shopping square, and a multi-purpose activity center. On the right side of the complex is our eight-story student dormitory. All three parts of the complex have many areas suitable for students and staff to rest and relax.

The multi-purpose Sheng-Yi Building was completed in 1997. It has more than 100 classrooms as well as panel discussion rooms, reference libraries, professional training classrooms, language laboratories, individual research labs for full-time professors, a small theater, counseling rooms, and a parking lot. In addition, the building has various technical training classrooms as well as laboratories for different uses such as media production, photography, film editing, film development, 3D computer animation, and modeling. Sheng-Yi Building's new equipment, facilities and classrooms are a great help in upgrading the quality of students' education as well as their life on campus.