

**Statements of University positions on Marriage, Singleness and Family in the USMB  
Confession of Faith in relation to laws governing same-sex marriage. \***

**General Policy Statement**

Fresno Pacific University welcomes all eligible students who desire an education in a multid denominational Christian setting regardless of their race, sex, sexual orientation, or religion. As a religious university founded and owned by the Mennonite Brethren Church, the university is officially guided by the U.S. Mennonite Brethren Church's Confession of Faith which endorses a traditional understanding of marriage and of chastity outside of marriage. All university employees and students commit themselves to respect the Confession of Faith, and abide by the policies and behavioral expectations of the university.

The university recognizes that other Christian institutions and denominations have, in good faith, revised their expectations regarding marriage to endorse same-sex relationships, and that it is possible for Christian bodies to disagree on this issue. The university desires to remain in relationship with these other Christian bodies wherever and to whatever extent possible.

**Relationships with Partner Institutions**

The educational community at Fresno Pacific University is committed to the success and well

The university desires to maintain relationships with other organizations and agencies. Where possible, the university enjoys collaborative relationships with its members and organizations. The university supports initiatives and works

Fresno Pacific seeks to maintain relationships with organizations that support of this end. The university can speak, confidentially, on matters related to sexuality. All Fresno Pacific University employees and students are expected to abide by behavioral expectations of the university.

