Kalasalingam University (formerly Arulmigu Kalasalingam College of Engineering) was established in the year 1984 by the Kalasalingam Anandam Ammal Charities. "Kalvivallal" Thiru T. Kalasalingam, veteran freedom fighter, is the founder chairman.

The Ministry of Human Resource Development, Government of India, New Delhi granted university status. Institutions declared under this section are deemed to be universities. Kalasalingam University is member of ICT Academy of Tamil Nadu, an Initiative of Govt of India, Govt of Tamil Nadu and CII, an ISO 9001 - 2008 Certified Organisation.

Kalasalingam University (KLU) is located at the foothills of the Western Ghats in rural setting of Virudhunagar District and is catering to the needs of the downtrodden and rural youth. The University is situated at Krishnankoil, 65 kilometers south of Madurai and 10 kilometers North of Srivilliputhur, in Madurai-Shenkottath National Highway (NH208). The founding philosophy of the Institute is to "Empower Youth", for development through technology.

UGC Approval under section 2(f) and 12(b).

Ranked among top 5 engineering colleges affiliated to Anna University, Tamil Nadu.

Accredited by National Board of Accreditation for all UG Programmes.

Obtained ISO Certification by RWTUV, Germany.

Located in the most backward rural area providing technical knowledge to the downtrodden people as pointed out by our Hon’ble Prime Minister of India.

Received Deemed to be University status in October 2006 and Kalasalingam Academy of Research and Education (KARE) started functioning from the academic year 2007-08.