Pitzer College established the New Resources Program in 1974 to bring the small, liberal arts college experience to students of non-traditional college age. The program was founded with the conviction that a truly diverse campus is one eager to encounter the added dimension brought by students of a range of ages as well as backgrounds and interests. New Resources students nevertheless have one thing in common: a commitment to learning. Often, this comes from the perspective attributed to having already made many difficult life decisions.

A student is considered a New Resources applicant if they are 23 years of age or older. The New Resources Program is designed for students who have not received a Bachelor's degree nor followed the path of a traditional four year college student. Prior experience for a New Resources student might include:

- Full-time work instead of school
- Time off school for other experiences
- Military duty
- Never attended college
- Currently enrolled at a junior college and not of traditional age

New Resources students may attend on a full or part-time basis, and they are encouraged to plan their course loads with a realistic appraisal of their family and job commitments.

New Resources Program applicants must be in good standing at the last institution they attended. They can transfer a maximum of 64 semester units from a community college. An additional 32 semester units or 48 quarter units may be transferred form an accredited four-year institution.

More information about Pitzer’s New Resources Program may be found at: www.pitzer.edu/admission/apply/new-resources-program/
Admission Checklist

☐ Pitzer Application
Enclosed are all the forms you will need to apply for admission to Pitzer College. All forms should be sent to the Office of Admission. All forms do not need to be submitted simultaneously; we will add them to your file as they arrive in the office.

☐ Application Fee
New Resources students must submit a non-refundable $70 application fee by check or money order only. If the fee poses an economic hardship, you should request a letter from the Financial Aid Office at the college/university in which you are currently enrolled indicating your EFC (Expected Family Contribution) and enclose it with this form. If you are not currently enrolled in a college/university, you may submit a detailed letter explaining how the application fee poses an economic hardship for you.

☐ Essays and Resume
Your essays are a very important part of your application. They serve as writing samples and tools to help us learn more about you. Feel free to be creative in your responses—help us understand how you think, and what you hope to bring to campus and receive from your experience at Pitzer. A resume is also required so that the Admission Committee can consider your involvement outside of the classroom.

☐ References
Complete the top portion of two reference forms and give them to two current professors, or other individuals who can comment on your academic potential (e.g., employers and volunteer supervisors). If you are currently enrolled at a college or university, we require the Dean of Students reference. Please give all recommenders plenty of time to send in their forms (we recommend at least four weeks in advance of the deadline). Request that your recommenders send their forms to the Office of Admission.

☐ Transcripts
Request that all colleges/universities you have attended send an official copy of your transcript to the Office of Admission (at least four weeks in advance of the deadline). You must also submit your high school transcript if you have completed less than a year of full-time studies (32 semester credits or 48 quarter credits) by the time you submit your application. Test scores (SAT or ACT) are not required from New Resources applicants.

☐ High School Diploma
All New Resources Program applicants must provide proof of a high school diploma or equivalency (GED).

☐ Required Interview
New Resources applicants must have an on-campus interview with an Admission Counselor or Admission Fellow. If you are unable to interview on campus, please schedule a Skype interview at www.pitzer.edu/admission/visiting-campus. The Office of Admission is open for interviews and tours all year, Monday through Fridays throughout the year and some Saturdays in the fall.

Financial Aid Checklist

We are committed to meeting 100% of students’ demonstrated financial need. Merit scholarship consideration does not require a separate application. For more information, please visit our website at www.pitzer.edu/admission/financial_aid.

To be considered for financial aid, the following must be submitted by the dates listed:

☐ Register for a FAFSA pin number at www.pin.ed.gov
☐ FAFSA (School Code 001172) www.fafsa.gov
☐ CSS/Financial Aid PROFILE (School Code 4619) www.collegeboard.com
☐ Signed copies of 2014 tax returns by May 1, 2015. Send directly to the Financial Aid Office.

Office of Admission
Pitzer College
1050 North Mills Avenue
Claremont, CA 91711-6101
909.621.8129 or 800.PITZER1
(800.748.9371)
Fax: 909.621.8770
Email: admission@pitzer.edu
Pitzer College
New Resources Program Application

Fall 2015

Legal name: ____________________________________________ Sex: o Male o Female
Preferred name: ________________________________________ Former last name(s), if any: ________________________________

Citizenship

o US Citizen  How many years have you lived in the United States? ____________
o Dual US Citizen  List any non-US countries of citizenship ___________________________
o US permanent resident via (Alien registration # ____________) ___________________________
o Other citizenship (Visa type__________________) ___________________________

Optional: The following items are optional. No information you provide will be used in a discriminatory manner.

Social Security number ____________________________________________
Place of birth _________________________________ Marital status _____________________________
City State Country

Federal guidelines mandate that we collect data on the legal sex of all applicants.

Pitzer College is dedicated to providing a diverse learning and living community. This includes race, color, creed, religion, national or ethnic origin, sex, gender, age, sexual orientation, marital status, pregnancy, disability, medical condition, or veteran status. Pitzer feels that students whose gender expression, gender identity and/or biological sex varies from the traditional paradigm need to have the opportunity to properly self-identify. While you are not required to provide information on your own gender identity, this information may be helpful for us to better serve you.

o Man o Transman
o Woman o Gender non-conforming
o Transman o Another identity

First language, if other than English ____________________________ Language spoken at home ____________________________
If you wish to be identified with a specific ethnic group, please check all that apply:
o African American, Black o Asian, Indian Subcontinent o Native Hawaiian, Pacific Islander
o American Indian, Alaskan Native o Hispanic, Latino o Puerto Rican
o Asian American o Mexican American, Chicano o White or Caucasian
o Other (specify___________)

US Armed Services veteran? o Yes o No

Birthdate mm/dd/yyyy  Email address ________________________________

Permanent home phone (_________) ____________________________ Cell phone (_________) ____________________________
Area Code Area Code

Permanent home address ____________________________________________
Number & Street Apartment/Unit #
City/Town State/Province Zip Code Country

If different from above, please give your mailing address, if applicable, for all admission correspondence

Mailing address ____________________________________________
Number & Street Apartment/Unit #
Use until ____________

City/Town State/Province Zip Code Country mm/dd/yyyy

Pitzer College, 1050 North Mills Avenue, Claremont, CA 91711  909.621.8129  Fax: 909.621.8770  www.pitzer.edu
Do you plan to apply for financial aid?  o Yes  o No  If yes, please read the following:
I understand the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) and CSS/Financial Aid PROFILE are required of all applicants for College need-based aid. I may obtain a FAFSA online at www.fafsa.ed.gov or from the Pitzer College Financial Aid Office. (Pitzer College’s federal code number is 001172). I may also fill out the CSS/Financial Aid PROFILE by visiting www.collegeboard.com (School Code 4619).

Housing:
On-Campus:  ____ I would like to be considered for on-campus housing (Please Note: On-campus housing is not guaranteed. It is only available to full-time New Resources students and is not covered by financial aid.)
Off-Campus:  ____ I have or will find my own housing.

Area(s) of academic interest/major: __________________________________________________________

Current school (if not currently enrolled, leave blank)___________________________________________________________________________________________

Address ____________________________________________________________ School Code number _______
City/Town   State/Province   Zip Code

List all colleges at which you have taken courses for credit. Please have an official transcript sent from each institution.

Name of School    Location (City/State)    Dates Attended
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List all other secondary schools, including summer schools and programs, you have attended beginning with the ninth grade.

Name of School    Location (City/State)    Dates Attended
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List the secondary school from which you graduated. If you received a GED instead of a diploma, write GED instead of the name of a school.

Name of School    Location (City/State)    Month/Year of Graduation/GED completion
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Have you applied for admission to Pitzer College in the past?  oYes  oNo  If yes, when_____________________
Have you been subjected to disciplinary action in the past?  oYes  oNo
Have you ever been convicted of a misdemeanor, felony or other crime?  oYes  oNo
If yes, please explain on a separate sheet.

Please provide an extra page to explain any gaps in your educational history.
Resume

In recognition of the unique backgrounds of our New Resources students, Pitzer requires that all applicants include a resume. We encourage you to focus on your professional work, along with any education and extracurricular involvements. Please include any extra-curricular and volunteer involvement in addition to your professional work.

Essay I

On a separate sheet of paper, answer ONE of the following questions, keeping in mind that an appropriate length is two pages. There are no right or wrong answers to these questions. The Admission Committee is interested in your writing abilities and in seeing what is meaningful to you.

1. What current social issue is most significant in your life? Why?
2. If you could have your dream job, what would you choose to do? Why?
3. From a recent film you have seen or book you have read, with which character do you most identify? Why?
4. If you feel that you would be able to better express yourself by writing an autobiographical statement instead of responding to one of the above questions, please feel free to do so.

Essay II

All applicants are required to respond to the following in 650 words or less. Please use a separate sheet of paper.

At Pitzer, five core values distinguish our approach to education: social responsibility, intercultural understanding, interdisciplinary learning, student engagement, and environmental sustainability. As agents of change, our students utilize these values to create solutions to our world’s challenges. Please answer only ONE of the following prompts:

1. Incorporating one or more of our core values, how would you contribute to solving a local or global issue of importance to you?
2. Reflecting on your involvement in school or within the community, how have you engaged with one or more of Pitzer’s core values?

You may feel this application has given you insufficient opportunity to reveal all that is important to you. If so, please feel free to submit additional information or material for the Admission Committee to consider.

Please remember to include your $70 application fee or request for waiver (available through your counseling or financial aid office).

I understand that it is my responsibility to make sure that my application is complete.

I certify that all information included in this application is, so far as I can determine, truthful, valid, and complete.

Signature_____________________________________________________________________ Date_______________________________

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Gender:_______________

Maiden/previous name(s)_________________________________________________________________________________________________________

Address________________________________________________________________________________________________________________________

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Telephone number (_______)______________________________________Email____________________________________________________________

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Institution’s name __________________________________________________________________Phone (________)______________________________

Address________________________________________________________________________________________________________________________

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How well do you know the applicant?______________________________________________________________________________________________

Please comment on the following characteristics:

Academic ability_________________________________________________________________________________________________________________

Motivation______________________________________________________________________________________________________________________

Please comment on the candidate’s ability to express himself or herself:

Writing_________________________________________________________________________________________________________________________

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Last/Family First/Given Middle/Complete

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Has this student been subjected to disciplinary action?  o Yes o No     If YES, please describe the circumstances.

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