Classes at a prestigious college such as Pitzer are particularly challenging for students studying in a second language. Students must quickly achieve superior reading, writing and critical analysis skills in order to master the extraordinary depth and breadth of a liberal arts education. To become sophisticated participants in the classroom and excel in this demanding form of education, students need a superior level of academic English. The Pitzer International Scholars Program is unique in its ability to bring students to this level.

Dr. Michael Ballagh
Associate Vice President for Study Abroad & International Programs
Pitzer International Scholars Program

The Pitzer International Scholars Program helps international students develop the sophisticated level of English they need to actively participate in the exciting and challenging liberal arts education offered by Pitzer College and The Claremont Colleges. The program provides ongoing support as students move into increasingly demanding courses across the college curriculum.

Admission to Pitzer

Outstanding international students who demonstrate proficiency in English (iBT 70-95) are eligible for joint admission to Pitzer College and the International Scholars Program. For international students, an application to Pitzer automatically serves as an application to the International Scholars Program.

Frequently Asked Questions

If I enter as an International Scholars Program student, am I a regular student?

Yes, you will earn full admission to Pitzer College with the provision that you complete the International Scholars Program course sequence as part of your undergraduate studies.

Is it possible for me to graduate with my class?

Yes, if you take a full course load (4 courses per semester), you will graduate with your class. All International Scholars Program courses carry full credit and may be applied to fulfill graduation requirements or electives.

Do I really need the Pitzer International Scholars Program? I completed English in high school.

The challenging education offered at Pitzer College and The Claremont Colleges requires an exceptionally strong foundation in academic English. Even students with iBT 100 find the work load demanding. The Pitzer International Scholars provides an essential transition to rigorous college-level work.

Graduation From Pitzer

To graduate from Pitzer College, International Scholars Program students must complete 32 courses (128 semester units), including four courses.

Course Sequence

Pitzer International Scholars Program courses are offered through the Modern Languages, Literature, and Culture (MLLC) field group (department).

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Course: Pitzer Companion Course to MLLC 155

Course: Student Choice from Pitzer Course Listing

The rigor and challenge of the course work has helped my argumentation skills in English. What we learn in the classes can be directly applied to what we do in other classes.

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