Pitzer is nestled in the city of Claremont at the base of the San Gabriel Mountains. Located 35 miles east of Los Angeles among some of the finest cultural and recreational areas in Southern California, Claremont, which averages 262 sunny days per year, is famous for its tree-lined streets, abundance of family-friendly community events and, of course, The Claremont Colleges! Claremont also features the Metrolink light rail, which allows students to explore Los Angeles in depth.

VISIT US

CAMPUS TOURS AND INFORMATION SESSIONS
Campus tours are led by current students and are available Monday-Friday all year and select Saturdays in the fall.

INTERVIEWS
Interviews are recommended but not required. Interviews are available beginning the summer before a student’s senior year of high school.

DAY VISITS
A one-day visit to Pitzer can be arranged most weekends from late September through April during regular class sessions.

OVERNIGHT VISITS
An overnight visit is the best way to experience life at Pitzer, and can be arranged most Mondays through Thursdays, September through April.

LEARN MORE!

www.pitzer.edu/admission/visiting-campus

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Pitzer College produces engaged, socially responsible citizens of the world through an academically rigorous, interdisciplinary liberal arts education emphasizing social justice, intercultural understanding and environmental sensitivity.

OUR CORE VALUES DISTINGUISH PITZER’S APPROACH TO EDUCATION:

- Social RESPONSIBILITY
- Intercultural UNDERSTANDING
- Interdisciplinary LEARNING
- Student ENGAGEMENT
- Environmental SUSTAINABILITY

“PITZER WAS BUILT ON DREAMS. WE WERE THE WONDER CHILD WHO CAME TO TRANSFORM THE WORLD.”

John Atherton, founding president
Students spend four years examining the ethical implications of knowledge and individual responsibility in making the world better. Pitzer students, faculty and staff donate 100,000 hours of community service each year, doing everything from tutoring preschoolers and mentoring at-risk children to helping Native American youth prepare for college and teaching English as a second language. The College’s Community Engagement Center supports community-based teaching and learning models while striving to expand the scope and depth of Pitzer’s shared projects of social change. Newsweek has called Pitzer one of the nation’s “Most Service Oriented Schools” and ranked it among the top five best colleges for activists.
Pitzer institutes & special programs

INSTITUTE FOR GLOBAL/LOCAL ACTION & STUDY
IGLAS works to ensure that global/local action and study is a part of the intellectual and psychological development of all Pitzer students through promoting curricular innovation and faculty professional development while focusing on global/local themes and an integrated curriculum.

PITZER IN ONTARIO
Pitzer in Ontario is a justice-oriented, interdisciplinary program in urban studies and community-based research. With theoretical foundations in the social sciences and a strong emphasis on experiential education, the program allows students to understand regional impacts of globalization and to engage in local social change efforts.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT CENTER
The CEC supports Pitzer faculty, students, staff and community partners in forwarding social responsibility and community engagement in surrounding communities through research, service, advocacy, and action. CEC works in the community creating partnerships, not to dispense “expert” solutions to pre-defined needs, but to identify and engage resources—both human and material—within the community.

MUNROE CENTER FOR SOCIAL INQUIRY
The Munroe Center for Social Inquiry promotes interdisciplinary learning and public inquiry through public events and lectures, which are open to the Pitzer community. The Munroe Center allows Student Fellows the opportunity to pursue focused research on topics within the Center’s theme for that year. Past themes have included Technology Changes, Examining THE CITY and Schooling in Mass Societies.

CLAREMONT INFANT STUDY CENTER
The Claremont Infant Study Center conducts ongoing research to study and explore the ways babies from birth to nine months of age perceive and learn from the world around them.

FIRESTONE CENTER FOR RESTORATION ECOLOGY
The Firestone Center for Restoration Ecology reserve and field station is a 150 acre property located on the southwest coast of Costa Rica. Pitzer manages the site as a biological reserve and logistical base for undergraduate ecological research and education.

FERRÉ/MARQUET VACCINE RESEARCH CENTER
Launched in 2008, The Ferre/Marquet Vaccine Research Center develops cost-effective vaccine production and addresses urgent health issues in southern Africa. The Center gathers faculty, students and local community members who perform cutting edge bioscience research to improve healthcare in developing countries.

CENTER FOR ASIAN PACIFIC AMERICAN STUDENTS
CAPAS seeks to enrich and develop social, intellectual and personal growth in Pitzer students by providing Asian-American resources as well as a welcoming, supportive environment. The Center serves as an advocate for the Asian and Pacific Islander community and promotes an educational dialogue that embraces the unique experiences of ethnic communities.

ROBERT REDFORD CONSERVANCY FOR SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA SUSTAINABILITY
The Redford Conservancy works to protect exceptional natural and human resources on its campus and elsewhere in the Southern California region. The Conservancy also educates agents of change through engaged discourse, research, design and activism.
INTERCULTURAL understanding

Pitzer students learn to comprehend issues and events through cultural lenses beyond their own. From Los Angeles to Botswana to Nepal, Pitzer students thrive and succeed in an ever-changing global community. Pitzer’s study abroad programs and exchanges with overseas universities encourage students to explore the world and engage with diverse communities in a socially responsible way. Study abroad is integrated into the Pitzer curriculum and is the key reason students have received a record-breaking number of prestigious national grants and awards in recent years. Pitzer College has been ranked by *The Chronicle of Higher Education* as the top producer of Fulbright students among all US undergraduate colleges for four consecutive years.

Pitzer students studying abroad in Nepal. At 40 years old, the Pitzer Program in Nepal is Pitzer’s oldest study abroad program.
The Class of 2018 includes students from:
- Brazil
- Canada
- China
- France
- Great Britain
- Greece
- Guatemala
- Hong Kong
- India
- Japan
- Jordan
- Korea
- Malaysia
- Nepal
- Panama
- Rwanda
- Singapore
- Taiwan
- Thailand

Pitzer owns and operates six study abroad programs, with summer programs in Japan and Costa Rica:
- Botswana
- China
- Costa Rica
- Ecuador
- Italy
- Nepal

Pitzer offers international exchanges with nearly 50 universities, including:
- Argentina
- Australia
- Brazil
- Bulgaria
- Canada
- Chile
- Cuba
- Denmark
- England
- France
- Germany
- Ghana
- Hong Kong
- Hungary
- Iceland
- Indonesia
- Israel
- Italy
- Japan
- Korea
- Mexico
- Morocco
- Netherlands
- New Zealand
- Singapore
- South Africa
- Spain
- Sweden
- Thailand
- Turkey
- Vietnam

Pitzer offers domestic exchanges with institutions in:
- Arizona
- Florida
- Georgia
- Maine
- Massachusetts
- New York
- North Carolina
- Pennsylvania
- Vermont
- Virginia
- Washington
- Wisconsin

68 STUDY ABROAD PROGRAMS
Pitzer College President Laura Skandera Trombley was appointed by President Barack Obama to the J. William Fulbright Foreign Scholarship Board in February 2013. A true advocate for cultural exchange, President Trombley travels globally representing the values of American higher education.

DID YOU know?

Pitzer students and alumni were awarded Fulbright Fellowships for the 2013–14 academic year, setting a new college record

More than 20 members of the Class of 2014 received Fulbrights to the following countries:

- Argentina
- Brazil
- Bulgaria
- Colombia
- Germany
- India
- Indonesia
- Israel
- Lithuania
- Malaysia
- South Korean
- Spain
- Sri Lanka
- Sweden
- Turkey

75% of the class of 2014 studied abroad

...as opposed to the national average of 9% of students who study abroad during their college careers

For 10 years, Pitzer College has been the NATIONAL LEADER in Fulbright Fellowships per thousand students

Students and alumni have been awarded a total of 182 Fulbrights in less than 15 years

Twenty-four

Argentina
Brazil
Bulgaria
Colombia
Germany
India
Indonesia
Israel
Lithuania
Malaysia
South Korean
Spain
Sri Lanka
Sweden
Turkey
**INTERDISCIPLINARY learning**

Pitzer students learn to make immediate connections among academic disciplines. Scientists, sociologists, historians, writers and artists often teach courses together. Interested in designing your own major? In consultation with faculty advisers, Pitzer students often create their own majors. Pitzer students have graduated with self-designed majors such as: Climate Toxicology, Urban Justice Studies, and Global and Local Community Engagement through Soccer!

**MAJORS**
- Africana Studies
- American Studies
- Anthropology
- Art – Studio
- Art History
- Asian American Studies
- Biochemistry (KSD*)
- Biology (KSD*)
- Biophysics (KSD*)
- Chemistry (KSD*)
- Chicano/a Latino/a Studies
- Classics
- Dance (Pomona, Scripps)
- Economics
- English and World Literature
- Environmental Analysis
- Gender and Feminist Studies
- History
- Human Biology (KSD*)
- Theatre (Pomona)
- International and Intercultural Studies
- International Political Economy
- Linguistics
- Management Engineering (KSD*)
- Mathematical Economics
- Mathematics
- Media Studies
- Modern Languages, Literatures and Cultures: Spanish
- Molecular Biology (KSD*)
- Music (Pomona, Scripps)
- Neuroscience (KSD*)
- Organismal Biology (KSD*)
- Organizational Studies
- Philosophy
- Physics (KSD*)
- Political Studies
- Psychology
- Religious Studies
- Science and Management (KSD*)
- Science, Technology and Society
- Secular Studies
- Sociology
- Theatre (Pomona)

*KSD: W.M. Keck Science Department is an intercollegiate program shared by Pitzer, Claremont McKenna and Scripps colleges*

**MINORS**
- Africana Studies
- Anthropology
- Art – Studio
- Art History
- Asian American Studies
- Biology (KSD*)
- Chemistry (KSD*)
- Classics
- Dance
- Economics
- English and World Literature
- Environmental Analysis
- Gender and Feminist Studies
- History
- Linguistics
- Mathematics
- Media Studies
- Music
- Philosophy
- Science and Technology and Society
- Sociology
- Spanish
- Theatre

50% of Pitzer’s faculty are women

30% of Pitzer’s faculty were born in a country other than the US.
More than 14% of graduates in 2014 designed their own major.

Pitzer is the first and only college to offer a degree in secular studies.

Students participate in college governance through committees and the Student Senate.

Students run the Green Bike program and tend to Pitzer’s organic garden.

Pitzer offers a highly flexible, extensive curriculum that encourages you to create your own educational path.
AN EXCEPTIONAL SYSTEM OF GOVERNANCE

Pitzer’s governance system is one of the most distinct in American higher education. Since its founding in 1963, students have been an integral part of the decision-making process at Pitzer. They sit on all governance committees and make decisions about the future of the college including curriculum, faculty and staff hiring, fiscal management and judicial oversight.

PITZER STUDENT CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS (200+)

- American Sign Language Club
- Asian and Pacific American Club (APAC)
- Art Collective
- Black Student Union (BSU)
- Chess Club
- Compost Club
- Cooking Club
- Dining with Democracy
- Direct Action Claremont
- Ecology Center (Eco Center)
- Entrepreneurship Association
- Feminist Coalition (FemCo)
- Garden Club
- Green Bike Program (GBP)
- Grove House Committee
- Invisible Children Club
- Knitting Club
- Kohoutek Music and Arts Festival
- Love (for Free)
- Latino Student Union (LSU)
- Meditation Club
- Multi-Ethnic and Racial Group Exchange
- Music Coalition
- Nahuatl Language and Culture Club
- Neuroscience Club
- Orange Peel (student newspaper)
- Otherside (literary arts magazine)
- PAct (Pitzer Activities)
- Pitzer Poets Society
- Pitzer Outdoor Adventures (POA)
- Pitzer Psychological Student Association
- Pitzer Student Health Club (PSHC)
- Rainbow People Collaborative
- Reggae Festival
- Student Activities Committee (SAC)
- Shakedown Cafe
- Student Investment Committee
- Student Senate
- Tutors for a Cause
- Youth Coalition for Community Action

GO SAGEHENS!

Pitzer and Pomona College students join together to play on 21 varsity NCAA Division III teams in the Southern California Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (SCIAC).

Club Teams
- Cycling
- Equestrian
- Field Hockey
- Lacrosse
- Men’s Volleyball
- Roller Hockey
- Rugby
- Ultimate Frisbee

Intramural Sports
- Basketball
- Beach Volleyball
- Chess
- Dodgeball
- Flag Football
- Indoor Soccer
- Inner-Tube Water Polo
- Racquetball
- Soccer Tennis

Campus to Coast Bike Tour, sponsored by the Green Bike Program. The Green Bike Program is a student-run organization that raffles off bikes to Pitzer students and fixes them free of charge.
MUSIC FESTIVALS ON CAMPUS
Pitzer students coordinate three on-campus music festivals every year: Reggae Fest, Rockabilly (pictured), and the Kohoutek Music and Arts Festival, a three-day music festival named for a large, bright comet that appeared in the 1970s.

DEMONSTRATION KITCHEN
In conjunction with the architect who designed West Residence Hall, Pitzer students designed a demonstration kitchen on the bottom floor of the residence hall. Since several Pitzer alumni have become world-famous chefs (i.e. Alan Jackson and Jenn Louis), the demonstration kitchen serves as a hands-on classroom when the chefs return to campus! Pitzer dining services sponsors a series of cooking seminars each year, and Pitzer students are welcome to use the demonstration kitchen when preparing home-cooked food for their classmates!

LOCATION
Pitzer’s unique location means that students are only 40 miles away from Los Angeles, world-famous Southern California beaches and the San Gabriel Mountains. Pitzer Outdoor Activities, a student-run organization, sponsors numerous outdoors excursions for Pitzer students throughout the year!

RESIDENCE HALLS
Students enjoy hanging out in our suite-style residence halls, which feature air conditioning and wireless internet. Housing is guaranteed for four years. In keeping with Pitzer’s commitment to sustainability, the newly-constructed East and West Halls also feature a gray water system.

SPORTS
Pitzer offers 21 varsity Division III athletic teams in conjunction with Pomona College.

Men’s Sports
- Baseball
- Basketball
- Cross Country
- Football
- Golf
- Soccer
- Swimming & Diving
- Tennis
- Track & Field
- Water Polo

Women’s Sports
- Basketball
- Cross Country
- Golf
- Lacrosse
- Soccer
- Softball
- Swimming & Diving
- Tennis
- Track & Field
- Volleyball
- Water Polo

Interested student athletes are encouraged to contact the coach or visit the athletics department online at pe.pomona.edu.
Sensitivity for and preservation of the environment is a key value at Pitzer. Campus landscaping utilizes drought-resistant, native plants and the College is proud of its many LEED-certified sustainable buildings. Students shape their daily activities, programs and studies to ensure they leave the environment and the world stronger than how they found it. Students interested in environmental issues will find Pitzer an exciting living and learning laboratory. The food in our dining hall is organic, travels less than 150 miles to campus and is prepared within 24 hours of harvest. *Newsweek* called Pitzer’s food the second best on any campus in the country. Pitzer’s dining hall is also trayless, reducing waste and water consumption.
ON-CAMPUS sustainability

SUSTAINABLE DESIGN
In 2007, Pitzer inaugurated three LEED Gold-certified residence halls with more than 40 sustainable features including solar panels, a green roof and recycled materials. Two additional mixed-use residence halls, designed to meet LEED Platinum standards, opened in fall 2012. The Phase II residence halls feature a gray water system, which allows sink and shower water to be recycled to water the plants around campus. 93% of Pitzer students are housed in sustainable buildings.

A CLEANER TOMORROW
Pitzer’s A Cleaner Tomorrow (ACT) is a team of first-year students who believe in educating youth to take environmental action in order to build a cleaner tomorrow. ACT members visit fourth and fifth grade classrooms and teach the students about conservation and sustainability using a curriculum that is both interactive and interdisciplinary.

ROBERT REDFORD CONSERVANCY FOR SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA SUSTAINABILITY
The Robert Redford Conservancy for Southern California Sustainability projects a trans-disciplinary education program in languages of environmental and cultural literacy and trajectories of engaged discourse and systemic action. The Conservancy focuses on making a next generation of change leaders and problem-solvers who will give transformational insight to the conservation and creation of meaningful, sustainable and resilient futures. The Conservancy does not just protect exceptional natural and human resources, but educates agents of change through engaged discourse, research, design and activism.

2,560 cubic feet of trash diverted from landfill through a recycling/reuse program

25% of Pitzer’s energy comes from renewable resources

190,000 gallons of water Pitzer saved through its graywater system

Most of Pitzer’s campus is landscaped with native, climate appropriate and drought-tolerant plants. Since 2002, Pitzer has cut its total water usage by 50%.
Pitzer is a member of the unique Claremont University Consortium, which includes Pomona College (founded in 1887), Scripps College (1926), Claremont McKenna College (1946) and Harvey Mudd College (1955). The Claremont Graduate University (1925) and the Keck Graduate Institute of Applied Life Sciences are the graduate institutions of the Consortium. Though individual members of the Consortium are small, together they provide students with the facilities and resources of a major research university.

WHAT THE CLAREMONT COLLEGES SHARE

COURSES
Pitzer students may take up to one third of their total courses at our sister schools. The Claremont Colleges share one academic calendar, and thanks to cross-registration, students have access to 2500 courses per term.

SOCIAL LIFE
The Claremont Colleges offer a myriad of social opportunities, from parties and on-campus events to outdoor excursions and activities throughout greater Los Angeles!

LIBRARY FACILITIES
Honnold-Mudd Library is the shared library of the Claremont Colleges. Honnold-Mudd is the fifth largest private library in California, with over 2 million volumes and thousands of academic periodicals and microfilm.

DINING HALLS
Students at the Claremont Colleges may eat in any of the seven dining halls they choose. The dining halls are famous for specialty food nights, and Pitzer’s Taco Tuesdays is one of the most popular!

SPORTS
The Claremont Colleges participate in the Southern California Intercollegiate Athletic Conference, with teams fielded by Pomona and Pitzer (P-P), and by Claremont McKenna, Harvey Mudd and Scripps Colleges (CMS). The colleges enjoy a friendly rivalry, especially since our proximity to one another makes it possible to have home games and away games at the same time!

THE CONSORTIUM’S FACILITIES INCLUDE:
• Office of Black Student Affairs
• Intercollegiate Department of Asian American Studies
• Chicano/a Latino/a Student Affairs
• McAlister Center for Religious Activities
• Monsour Counseling and Psychological Center
• Queer Resource Center
• Student Heath Services
• W.M. Keck Science Department (joint program of Pitzer, Claremont McKenna and Scripps colleges)
• The Huntley Bookstore of the Claremont Colleges
SPECIAL PROGRAMS
Pitzer offers unique advanced degree programs:

**BA-DO PROGRAM IN OSTEOPATHIC MEDICINE**
www.pitzer.edu/admission/westernu/index.asp

**BA/BSE IN MANAGEMENT ENGINEERING**
www.jsd.claremont.edu/majors/managementengineering.asp

**BA/MA AT CLAREMONT GRADUATE UNIVERSITY**
Pitzer students can work simultaneously on an undergraduate and master’s degree at the Claremont Graduate University in the following areas: Economics, Information Science, Psychology, Public Health and Public Policy.
www.cgu.edu/pages/623.asp

**MECHANISM SCHOLARS PROGRAM**
This program is for academically talented students with financial need who plan to major in mathematics or science, with preference given to students interested in the molecular sciences (biochemistry, chemistry, and molecular biology).
www.pitzer.edu/admission/mechanism/

THE APPLICATION process

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS
• $70 application fee
• Common Application
• Pitzer Writing Supplement
• Three letters of recommendation (high school counselor and 2 teachers in math, science or the humanities)

TEST-OPTIONAL POLICY
Pitzer is test-optional. Students can submit either the SAT or the ACT if they feel like their results best represent their academic potential. The Admission Committee makes no assumptions as to why some students choose to submit scores while other do not. All students are given equal consideration in the admission process.

INTERVIEWS
Interviews are recommended, but not required. In person, phone, Skype and LikeLive interviews are available.

FINANCIAL AID
• $61,750 cost of attendance (2014-2015)
• 40% of Pitzer students receive financial aid
• Need-based and merit aid are available
• Financial aid for international students is competitive.

FIRST-YEAR APPLICATION DEADLINES
• Early Decision I – November 15
• Early Decision II – January 1
• Regular Decision – January 1

TRANSFER APPLICATION DEADLINES
• Fall Deadline – April 1
• Spring Deadline – October 1

NEW RESOURCES APPLICATION DEADLINES
Pitzer’s New Resources program brings the small, liberal arts college experience to students of non-traditional college age. To be considered for admission, applicants must be in good standing at their last institution and be 23 years of age or older.
• New Resources Deadline – April 1

Applicants for the New Resources Program are required to have an on-campus interview with an Admission Counselor before the application deadline. Phone or Skype interviews are available for out-of-state students.
In April 2014, Pitzer College approved a new Fossil Fuel Divestment-Climate Action Model. Under the new model, Pitzer will divest virtually all College endowment investments in fossil fuel stocks by December 31, 2014. Pitzer is also committed to a 25% reduction of its carbon footprint from current levels by the end of 2016. Pitzer also established a Campus Sustainability Taskforce to bolster on-campus measures to promote sustainability. Pitzer College is the first higher education institution in Southern California to commit to divesting its endowment of fossil fuel stocks.