

2012 **PITZER COLLEGE**

REPORT OF EXCELLENCE

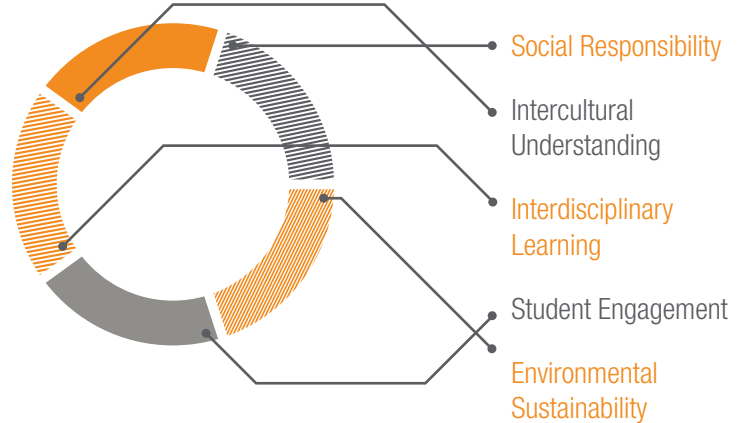




MISSION STATEMENT

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. The meaningful participation of students, faculty and staff in college governance and academic program design is a Pitzer core value. Our community thrives within the mutually supportive framework of The Claremont Colleges, which provide an unsurpassed breadth of academic, athletic and social opportunities.

CORE VALUES



PRESIDENTS ---

2002–present
Laura Skandera Trombley

1992–2002
Marilyn C. Massey

1979–1991
Frank L. Ellsworth

1970–1978
Robert H. Atwell

1963–1970
John W. Atherton

FOUNDED ---

1963

by Russell K. Pitzer

One of the top colleges in the country & one of the best colleges in the west

—The Princeton Review

TOP 20

MOST SELECTIVE COLLEGE IN THE US

—BUSINESS INSIDER

A BEST VALUE college —The Princeton Review

A BEST VALUE among private liberal arts colleges —The Princeton Review

43

on *U.S. News & World Report's* list of top schools, jumping from #70 in less than a decade.

TOP 15

pick among high school counselors

—U.S. News & World Report

#7 healthiest dining
hall in the country.

—hercampus.com

#1 healthiest dining options & best
vegetarian/vegan-friendly options
on any campus in the US.

—collegeprowler.com

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—The Princeton Review

48%

of campus buildings
are LEED Platinum-
or Gold-certified

#1
2010

#1
2011

#1
2012

For the 3rd straight year, Pitzer had the most student and alumni Fulbright Fellowships awardees among all US undergraduate institutions.

—*The Chronicle of Higher Education*

22 Fulbright Fellowships were awarded to Pitzer students and an alumnus for the 2012–13 academic year.

Pitzer tied for **8th** place for total student and alumni Fulbrights awarded **among research universities nationwide.**

For nine of the past 10 years, Pitzer College has been the

national leader
per 1,000 students
in Fulbright Fellowships.

10% of the Class of 2012 was awarded Fulbright Fellowships.

Students and alumni have been awarded

152 Fulbrights

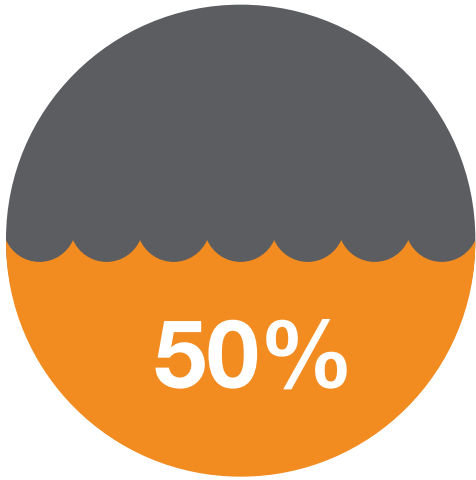
in less than 20 years

Robert Redford CONSERVANCY

for Southern California Sustainability

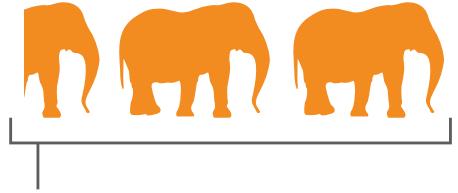
PITZER COLLEGE

The first conservancy dedicated to
Southern California environmental issues.



Pitzer has cut water usage in half since 2002.

Pitzer's landscaping is drought tolerant and its dining hall is trayless, reducing water use and food waste.



16 tons

of food waste are composted on campus each year.

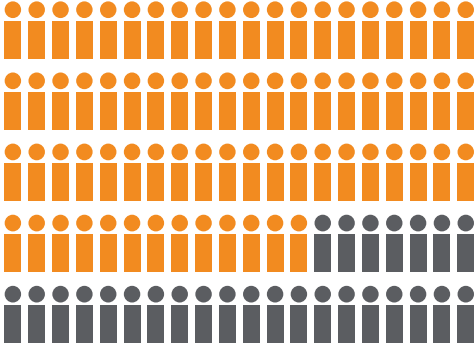
4 new mixed-use, **LEED Platinum-certified** residential buildings opened fall 2012

Pitzer could ultimately be the first college in the country to have all LEED Platinum- or Gold-certified residence halls.



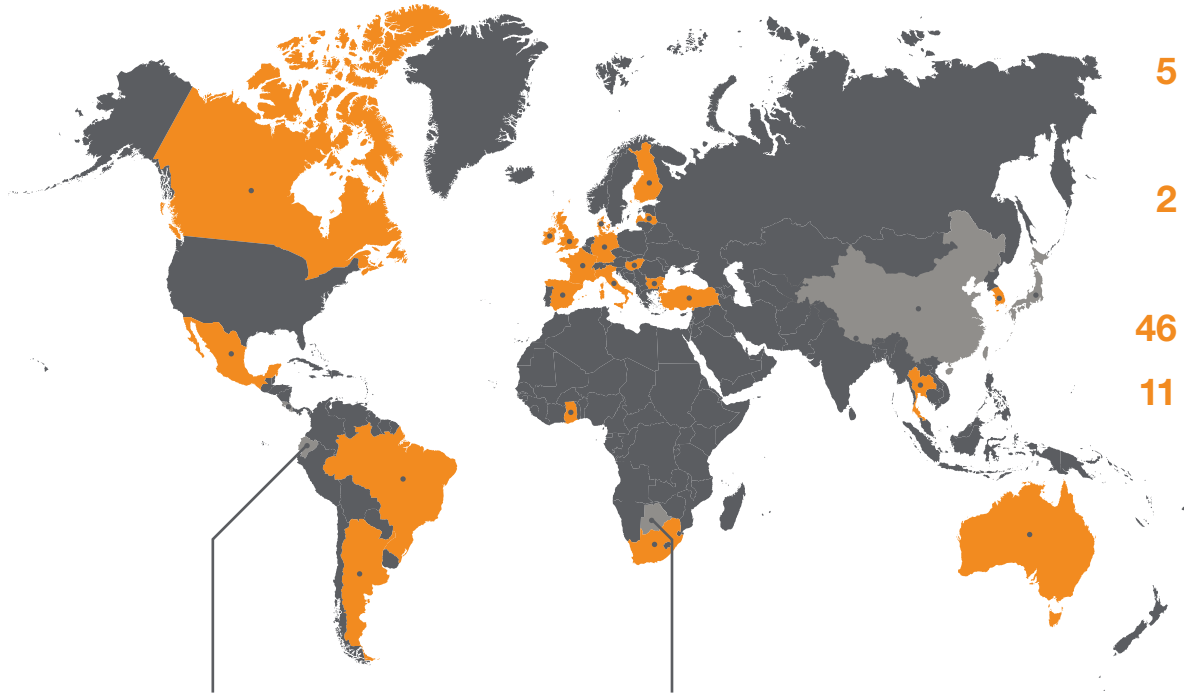
One of the first colleges in the nation to create an environmental studies major.

TOP 20
in nation with most students studying abroad among undergraduate institutions.



First and only US college with a special major in secular studies.

73%
of the Class of 2012 studied abroad.



Pitzer's **Firestone Center for Restoration Ecology in Costa Rica** serves as a biological reserve and base for ecological research.

Students and faculty at the **Ferré/Marquet Vaccine Research Center** develop low-cost vaccines on campus and **in Botswana**.

- 5 Pitzer Semester Programs**
Botswana, China, Costa Rica, Ecuador and Nepal
- 2 Pitzer Summer Programs**
Costa Rica Summer Health & Summer Study in Japan
- 46 International Exchanges**
- 11 Domestic Exchanges**

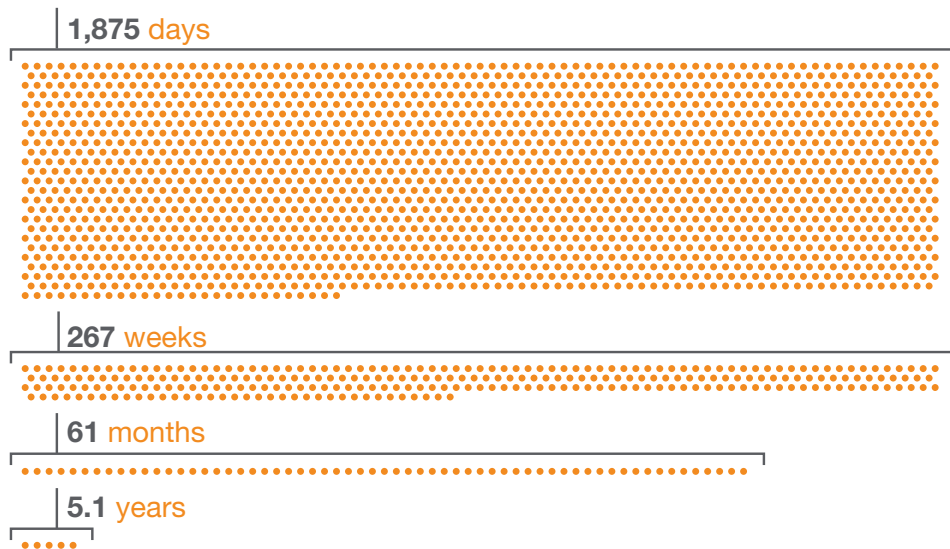
Pitzer College received the Carnegie Foundation's Community Engagement Classification of Curricular Engagement and Outreach & Partnership.

Pitzer named to the President's Higher Education Community Service Honor Roll for the 5th time in 6 years.

100% of students engaged in service learning before graduation.

65% of students spent more than...

45,000 hours volunteering in the community annually.



43%

of Pitzer's Class of 2016 graduated high school with a 4.0 GPA or higher.

Students shape college policies through the Student Senate and scores of governance committees.

More than **10%** of 2012 graduates designed their own major.

Students run the **Green Bike Program, Ecology Center** and organic **Shakedown Café**—promoting cycling, sustainability and healthy habits.

22 Fulbright Fellowships Awarded to Pitzer Students and Alumni

Rio Bauce '12, Spain

Micaela Fein '12, Argentina

Colin Flynn '12, Malaysia

Vincent Giannotti '12, Nepal

Laura Gutierrez '12, Bangladesh

Chloe Hans-Barrientos '12, Brazil

Alex James '12, Spain

Emily Kawahara '12, Thailand

Cody Klock '12, South Korea

Gabriel Loewinger '12, Nepal

Zack London '12, Malaysia

Jesse Mapstead '12, Malaysia

Brooke Marcy '12, Indonesia

Caroline Martin '12, Turkey

Anna O'Kain '12, Nepal

Dean Pospisil '12, Austria

Javid Riahi '11, Tajikistan

Alexa Schlomo-Carrasco '12, Spain

Ian Schoen '12, Malaysia

Miriam Stiefel '12, Czech Republic

Jennifer Trejo '12, Bangladesh

Elise Wanger '12, Poland

More Student Awards & Achievements

Colorado Summer Seminar in Philosophy
Nathan Pensler '13

Critical Language Scholarship
Hannah Miller '13

German Academic Exchange Service
Scholarship
Autumn Pham '14

Harvard National Model United Nations
Braden Holstege '14 Outstanding Delegate
Hale Shaw '12 Honorable Mention

Jack Kent Cooke Foundation Scholarship
Lisa Bastio '13

Kemper Scholarship
Alexander Rosario '15

McNair Scholarship
Marlene Salazar '13
Kimberly Vargas '13

New York State Summer Writers Institute
Isabel Neal '12

Newman Civic Fellowship
Nicholas Romo '14

Psi Chi Undergraduate Research Grant
Madison Noble '12

Robert Day Scholarship
Abraham Sprague '13

Teach For America
Betsy Diaz '12, Maryland
Brooke Marcy '12, Hawaii
Stephanie Migdail '12, Nevada
Christopher Peck '12, Hawaii

Alyshia Silva '12, Tennessee
Laura Silverberg '12, Illinois
Sarah Surrey '12, New Jersey
Amelia Troutman '12, Illinois
Elisha Whitman '12, California

Udall Scholarship
Kristin Dobbin '13

Watson Fellowship
Gabriel Loewinger '12
Dean Pospisil '12

Faculty Books & Research Grants

AWARDED

\$1,308,421

in research grants

DELIVERED 132

conference presentations and invited talks

PUBLISHED 59

articles, books, chapters and reviews

CREATED 20

exhibitions of art, video, visual poetry and film

David Bachman (Mathematics)

A Geometric Approach to Differential Forms, 2nd edition

A \$136,983 National Science Foundation (NSF) grant to support his project, “Applications of Topologically Minimal Surfaces,” which explores the connections between the shape of soap films and the shape of the universe.

Melissa Coleman (Keck Science Department)

A \$150,000 NSF grant to study the neural basis of the duetting plintailed wren in Ecuador.

Paul Faulstich (Environmental Analysis)

A \$25,000 grant from the Dean Witter Foundation for Ecological Restoration and Environmental Education at Pitzer College and a \$10,000 Edison International Grant for Excellence in Higher Education for the Leadership in Environmental Education Partnership.

Carina L. Johnson (History)

Cultural Hierarchy in Sixteenth-Century Europe: The Ottomans and Mexicans

Azamat Junisbai (Sociology)

A \$100,000 NSF grant, a \$40,000 National Council for Eurasian and East European Research grant and a \$16,550 International Research and Exchanges Board grant to organize and oversee nationally representative public opinion surveys in post-Soviet Kazakhstan and Kyrgyzstan.

Gina Lamb (Media Studies)

A \$10,000 Community Stories Grant from Cal Humanities to fund an ongoing documentary project about the Costanoan Rumsen Carmel Tribe.

John Milton (Keck Science Department)

A \$335,199 NSF grant for his research on “Noise, Delays and the Development of Expertise.”

Susan A. Phillips (Environmental Analysis)

Operation Fly Trap: LA Gangs, Drugs, and Law

Thomas Poon (Chemistry)

Introduction to Organic Chemistry (Chinese translation of the 4th edition)

Introduction to Organic Chemistry (Italian translation of the 4th edition)

Kathleen Purvis-Roberts (Keck Science Department)

Chemistry of the Environment, 3rd edition

Brinda Sarathy (Environmental Analysis)

Pineros: Latino Labor and the Changing Face of Forestry in the Pacific Northwest

Claudia Strauss (Anthropology)

A \$76,564 NSF grant and a \$19,042 Wenner-Gren Foundation grant to conduct research on the experiences and views of the unemployed in Southern California.

Rudi Volti (Sociology, Emeritus)

An Introduction to the Sociology of Work and Occupations, 2nd edition

Albert Wachtel (Creative Studies)

Critical Insights: A Portrait of the Artist as a Young Man, ed.

Anna G. Wenzel (Keck Science Department)

A \$185,000 NSF grant for the project, "RUI: The Development and Application of Gold(I) Catalysts for Asymmetric Organic Transformations."

Emily Wiley (Keck Science Department)

Current Protocols: Essential Laboratory Techniques, 2nd edition

A \$72,897 NSF grant to involve students in genome research through computational analysis of gene sequence data.

Branwen Williams (Keck Science Department)

A \$131,186 Undersea Research Program of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration grant to study deep-sea corals in the Monterey Bay National Marine Sanctuary.

Phil Zuckerman (Sociology)

Faith No More: Why People Reject Religion

Faith No More: Why People Reject Religion (Korean translation)

Society without God: What the Least Religious Nations Can Tell Us About Contentment (Korean translation)

Sagehens Athletics

Pitzer College offers an extensive program of intercollegiate athletics. In partnership with Pomona College, Pitzer's Sagehens play in the Southern California Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (SCIAC) in Division III of the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA).

Men's Water Polo won the SCIAC Championship.

Sagehens Softball set a school record with a 22-win season.

Women's Water Polo co-captain **Perri Hopkins '12** won Pitzer's Daley Award for Athletic Achievement and co-captain **Anna Oxborough-Yankus '12** was the SCIAC Player of the Year.

Alex Johnson '13 was All-West Region for Men's Cross Country and qualified for nationals.

Teresa (Traci) Lopez '12 was named first-team All-SCIAC in Women's Soccer.

Erik Munzer '13 was named first-team All-SCIAC in Men's Soccer.

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Third basemen **Ernest (E.J.) Lopez '15** and starting pitcher **Travis Rooke-Ley '12** were named first-team All-SCIAC in Baseball.

Jamie Solomon '13 was first-team All-SCIAC and qualified for the NCAA Nationals in Women's Tennis.

Christopher Wiechert '14 was first-team All-SCIAC in Men's Tennis, while **Max Sabel '13** was named to the second team.

Ellen Yamasaki '15 was the SCIAC Newcomer of the Year in Volleyball.

Alumni Achievements

Bill Adams '80 opened his exhibit, *Finalist*, at Kerry Schuss' gallery, KS Art, in New York, NY.

Ramona Ausubel '01 released her first novel, *No One Is Here Except All of Us*, published by Riverhead Books.

Bridget Baker '82 received the Champion Award from the T. Howard Foundation.

Kimberly Bautista '07 released her documentary, *Justice for My Sister*.

Claudio Chavez '82 was named chief executive officer of Arch Bay Capital, LLC in Irvine, CA.

Cora Forsten '04 opened Essential Family Medicine clinic in Portland, OR.

Ruett Foster '81 and **Rhonda Foster '82** were named Local Heroes by KCET and Union Bank.

Chris Frausto '98 opened The Corner Gallery in Boulder City, NV.

Marc Garcia '95 was named president and CEO of the Mesa Convention and Visitors Bureau in Mesa, AZ.

Steven González '85 was appointed to the Washington State Supreme Court.

Daniel Herman '83 published his third book, *Rim Country Exodus: A Story of Conquest, Renewal, and Race in the Making*.

Allison Nyssens '86 published her second novel, *The Haunting of Evelyn Hall*.

Jordan Passman '08 was featured as one of the "2011 Best Young Entrepreneurs" in *Businessweek*.

Susan Patron '69 authored *Behind the Masks: The Diary of Angeline Reddy, Bodie, California, 1880*.

Zach Putnam '03 won a Telly Award for excellence in nonprofit marketing.

M.J. Bruinsma Roberts '70 premiered her play, *The World Turned Upside Down*, at Theatre 40 in Beverly Hills, CA.

Brad Rotham '82 and his band, Radio Eris, released their album, *At Your Service*.

Sean Sullivan '10 received a highly selective White House internship.

Jim Weiner '80 was named to the inaugural class of LEED Fellows.

Robert P. White '86 earned the rank of brigadier general in the US Army.

Kelley Williams '10 produced her one-woman show, *Lovin' Chocolate*, at Porticoes Theatre in Pasadena, CA.



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