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Congratulations Class of 2021 and hello to my mentees!

My name is Laurel Taschetta and I am so excited to welcome you to Pitzer and introduce you to the amazing community here (not to mention, spend an amazing four days camping, climbing, and getting to know each other.) I hope that in your first few months you will get a sense of what makes Pitzer such a unique place. I know I did. Though I was for sure nervous about making the transition, the first few months kept me so busy and every day I felt more and more like I had a place here.. The passion of Pitzer students is inspiring. It’s one of my favorite things about being here. I hope you will come to love it as well.

So that you have a little background on me…I am from Burlingame, a small suburb south of San Francisco. I love spending time outside and luckily Southern California has a lot of beautiful spots to offer. At the top of my list is definitely Joshua Tree. Of course I have to mention the three amazing leaders that will be joining us on our orientation trip. Elly Cowan loves backpacking, running, and gardening and is great company on camping trips. Sophia Rizzolo is from Denver, CO, helps run POA (Pitzer Outdoor Adventure) club, and has recently developed a love a climbing. Henry Dolin is a huge fan of Chicago (I guess he is from there), an amazing photographer, and is always up for an adventure. We are all so excited to get outside with you!

Please feel free to contact me at any time with questions or if you just want to chat! I’d love to hear from you.

See you in August!

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