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Pitzer College

NEW STUDENT ORIENTATION

Hey mentees! Congratulations! I can't wait to meet you all! You are about to begin an exciting journey, and I'm sure you are eager to start your time at Pitzer. But the idea of going to college and meeting all new people can be overwhelming as well, but don't worry, it's normal. There will inevitably be ups and downs, and I am here to help you as you navigate this new environment and make sure you have a positive experience transitioning to college. Pitzer is great at letting new students know that there are always people there to support you. (And please reach out to me over the summer too if you have any questions or just want to talk more! shfarooq@students.pitzer.edu)

Pitzer is a special place. I remember touring campus my senior year of high school and feeling so connected to the school already! Most people here are open minded and ready to have discussions about important topics, but also know how to have fun and relax. You will find your people. Professors are also great and almost always available to meet outside of class to help you or even just to chat. You might feel pressure to know what you want to study, but I only recently decided to major in Organizational Studies and minor in Sociology at the end of my second year, and my professors were extremely encouraging and supportive as I tried to decide what I wanted to do in my time at Pitzer.

I know there are so many things on your minds as you get ready to come to campus, but like I said, don't worry! Whatever you are feeling right now is normal, and your other mentors and I are here for you.

Get ready to have fun and get to know more Pitzer people...OA is an awesome bonding experience!

See you soon,
Shaafi :)

