UNDERGRADUATE RANKINGS

Forbes
» #8 America’s Top Colleges

U.S. News & World Report
» Top 5 National Liberal Arts College

Princeton Review
» #1 Great Financial Aid
» #4 Best Run Colleges
» #4 Their Students Love Those Colleges
» #5 Best Science Lab Facilities
» #13 Best Dorms

“I THINK PEOPLE ARE MUCH MORE OPEN-MINDED HERE. THEY JUST EXPRESS WHATEVER THEY THINK, WHATEVER OPINIONS THEY HAVE. IT’S REALLY GOOD TO BE ABLE TO COMMUNICATE FREELY LIKE THAT.” — Yiting Ji
Nanjing, China
When I was applying to colleges, my parents looked at the cost—it was way out of range. Pomona was able to meet 100 percent of the cost of attendance.

ROBERT KIPKEMOI LANGAT
WALDAI, KENYA

SUNNY CALIFORNIA
With an average of 282 sunny days each year, Claremont is an ideal environment for enjoying outdoor activities year-round. Summers are generally hot and dry, while winter is mild, with occasional rain.

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**AVG. FINANCIAL AID AWARD FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS:** $45,738

**SAMPLING OF RECENT GRADUATE SCHOOL ACCEPTANCES BY POMONA INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS**
- Harvard University, Graduate School of Education, MEd, International Education Policy Program
- Johns Hopkins University, School of Advanced International Studies, MA, International Relations
- California Institute of Technology, PhD
- University of Cambridge, Theoretical and Applied Linguistics, MPhil
- Tufts Graduate School

**SAMPLING OF RECENT INTERNSHIPS COMPLETED BY POMONA INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS**
- Alaris Consulting, SHANGHAI, CHINA
- AXA Financial Services, IRVINE, CA
- Aspen Institute, PRAGUE, CZECH REPUBLIC
- BabyCare, Inc., BEIJING, CHINA
- Park Pride, ATLANTA, GA
- NERA Economic Consulting, NEW YORK, NY
- Barclays Capital, HONG KONG
- Samuda and Johnson Attorneys at Law, KINGSTON, JAMAICA
- International Institute of Finance, WASHINGTON, D.C.
- PwC Advisory, GHANA
- Neighborhood Legal Services, PACOIMA, CA
- Economic Transformations Group, NEW YORK, NY
- Skyview Capital, LOS ANGELES, CA
- Samumed LLC, SAN DIEGO, CA

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ENGAGED STUDENTS

Pomona College is for adventurous, creative-minded students with the drive to explore and pursue their academic passions. Offering 47 majors and 37 minors, a stellar faculty, small classes and unmatched resources supporting student success, Pomona is widely regarded as one of the world’s leading liberal arts and sciences institutions. Students studying at Pomona receive an excellent education in the humanities and fine arts, natural and physical science and social sciences in an academic and residential environment rich in resources, intellectual collaboration, and the passionate pursuit of individual interests.

The College enrolls approximately 1,650 students (with roughly 100 studying abroad each semester) and has a student-faculty ratio of 8 to 1. The average class size of 15 offers students the opportunity to become full participants in the learning process. High value is placed on the interaction between teacher and student, with most classes taught as seminars. By challenging one another and their professors, Pomona students develop skills in analytical and critical thinking.

Pomona is also a member of the Claremont Consortium, a unique collection of five undergraduate and two graduate institutions located side-by-side and affording the wide choice of facilities, events and opportunities common to larger universities.

All Pomona students are undergraduates. No graduate-level programs are offered, and the College does not enroll students who have already completed a bachelor’s degree or the equivalent.

STELLAR FACULTY

Since Pomona is an entirely undergraduate institution, there are no graduate students competing for faculty attention. Even in your first year some of your classes may be taught by some of our most senior professors. Many of the College’s most distinguished faculty teach first-year seminars, and senior science faculty often teach introductory lab sessions.

You’ll not only learn from extraordinary professors. You’ll get to know them well. With a student-faculty ratio of 8 to 1 and about 85 percent of faculty living within five miles of campus, face time isn’t limited to classroom and office hours. You’ll find professors and students in every discipline working closely in research, as well as interacting in a range of casual settings—over lunch, on the playing field, as participants in a musical ensemble, or just strolling across campus on a beautiful California day.

“After four years at Pomona, I have come to realize that there is nothing that can give an international student a better experience of American higher education than a liberal arts college. Pomona provided the resources and support I needed to transition to life in the U.S.”

MINGYAN “OPHELIA” MA

SHANGHAI, CHINA
TRUE LIBERAL ARTS

A true liberal arts education is the most effective way to prepare yourself to thrive in a changing world. With intimate classes, a strong curriculum and deep resources, Pomona is especially well suited to provide students both the breadth of study that builds intellectual resilience and the depth of study needed for advancement in a specific field.

No specific course in the Pomona curriculum is prescribed for graduation. Designed to encourage exploration while providing great freedom of choice, Pomona’s Breadth of Study Requirements include one course in each of six areas—Creative Expression (two courses); Social Institutions and Human Behavior; History, Values, Ethics and Cultural Studies; Physical and Biological Sciences; and Mathematical Reasoning.

Central to this rich and empowering intellectual experience is trading ideas with other exceptional students in an environment that encourages collegiality, not competition. And with 90% of all classes with fewer than 30 students, it is virtually impossible to get lost in the classroom.

“The support the College has provided has been immense and nurturing. The inclusiveness of Pomona College is what truly makes me grateful for my experience, as I haven’t felt excluded in an environment completely different from my natural one.”

SACHIT TANEJA
NEW DELHI, INDIA

SUPERB RESOURCES

Our students enjoy both the advantages of a small school, where professors teach every class, and the opportunities and resources of a larger university setting. When you add the resources of the Claremont Colleges (the 7Cs) to everything Pomona already offers, all told you get more classes to choose from (2,200), more students to bounce ideas off of (7,000), more clubs to join (227 and counting)—and more dining halls to eat in (7).

Benefits of being in Southern California are harder to quantify. Where else can you explore performance and social justice through the Theater for Young Audiences program; stargaze with three astronomy professors on a field trip in Anza Borrego desert; and create an app for a hackathon that representatives from Microsoft, Intuit, 10Gen, Amazon, Yelp and Google will judge on-site?
Pomona is a globally oriented college, with international experiences woven throughout student life, curriculum and faculty scholarship.

As a recognized leader in international education among U.S. undergraduate institutions, Pomona seeks to deepen the international experience of students in preparation for leadership in an interconnected world. The Oldenborg Center for Modern Languages and International Relations provides a hub for international life for the Pomona community. Native speakers of Chinese, French, German, Japanese, Russian and Spanish live in each of the six language sections as advisors to help organize activities and events for the students who live there. The Oldenborg Language Lunch Program invites students, faculty, and staff at all levels of fluency to converse informally in 25 languages. Oldenborg also sponsors a wide variety of international and intercultural activities including a guest speaker series and international film screenings.

Pomona offers international students a supportive environment in a community aware of many cultures and political systems around the world. International students at Pomona have the support of the International Place (I-Place) of The Claremont Colleges, which serves as a social and cultural center to more than 1,100 international students throughout the consortium. In addition to hosting regular lunches and other cultural events, I-Place organizes a special, week-long orientation that helps international students prepare for and adapt to their new surroundings before they begin academic and social life at Pomona.
While the combination of stellar academics, small faculty-to-student ratio, friendly student body, and a great weather all played a role in my decision, knowing that I was not just another ‘number’ on campus was the deciding factor.

ZUZANA VUOVA
MOST, CZECH REPUBLIC

RESEARCH
The Summer Undergraduate Research Program (SURP) enables students in practically every discipline to conduct extended, focused research in close cooperation with a Pomona faculty mentor. A large number of students carry out research on campus and a significant number participate in projects in various locales such as Oregon, Maine, Colorado, Illinois and international sites such as Botswana, Ghana, Russia, Tanzania, Egypt, Pakistan, France and the Cook Islands.

“The opportunity to study under professors at the forefront of their respective fields was a real attraction, and after a visit to the beautiful, sunny campus, during which I met many of the friendly and intelligent people who work and study there, it was easy to confirm that Pomona was the place for me.

RACHEL KELANI DAVIDSON
VANCOUVER, CANADA

SAMPLING OF SURP PROJECTS
BY INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

» THEATRE: REVIVING GHANAIAN THEATRE: THEATRE IN GHANA - DEVELOPMENT, METHODS AND RESOURCES (Emelia Asiedu – Accra, Ghana)
» LATIN AMERICAN STUDIES: A STUDY OF THE SINO-ChILEAN TRADE: ITS IMPLICATIONS FOR CHINA-ChILE RELATIONS AND THE UNITED STATES (Ge Zhang – Shanghai, China)
» MOLECULAR BIOLOGY: SYNTHETIC PHENOLIC COMPOUND BHA CAUSES A SIGNIFICANT INCREASE OF SINGLE-STRAND BREAKS IN S. CEREVISIAE (Christian Gallardo – Buenos Aires, Argentina)
» HISTORY: A STUDY OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL HISTORY OF THE LAKSHADWEEP ISLANDS IN THE INDIAN OCEAN (Madhav Mehta – New Delhi, India)
» ECONOMICS: A COMPARISON OF RMCOB WITH OTHER MAJOR CURRENCIES IN FOREX MARKET (Shiwei Zhang – Jinan, China)
» CHEMISTRY: CALCULATING AND EXTRAPOLATING THE AVERAGE WALKLENGTH OF RANDOM MOLECULAR DIFFUSION ACROSS QUASICRYSTALS (Ian Chua - Singapore)
QUICK FACTS

HISTORY & LOCATION
» Founded in 1887 as a coeducational, comprehensive, undergraduate college of the liberal arts and sciences.
» Located in Claremont, California; 56 km east of downtown Los Angeles.

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT PROFILE
» Minimum TOEFL: 100
» Minimum IELTS: 7
» IB Testing: Our most competitive applicants typically earn a score of 40+ on the IB, including any bonus points.

Class of 2019 (domestic and international students):
» Total 1122
» Claremont McKenna College 223
» VISA STUDENTS AT THE CLAREMONT COLLEGES 14-15

STUDENT PROFILE
» Located in Claremont, California; students, a small number that and sophomores take on 10 to 15
174 holding PhDs or the highest
» Students choose majors from a list of 47.
» Senior capstone exercises usually include a seminar and a thesis or other senior project.

MAJORS & MINORS
» Arts & Humanities
» Art History
» Chinese
» Classics
» Dance
» English
» French
» German Studies
» Japanese
» Late Antique and Medieval Studies
» Music
» Philosophy
» Religious Studies
» Romance Literatures
» Russian
» Spanish
» Theatre

POSTGRADUATE STUDY
» Ninety percent of Pomona students graduate in four years. Approximately 85 percent of all graduates go on to graduate or professional schools within 10 years of graduation.

SPECIAL FEATURES
» Pomona College is the joining member of The Claremont Colleges, a unique arrangement in American higher education. Five undergraduate colleges and two graduate universities are located on adjacent campuses and they cooperate to greatly broaden the range of opportunities available to students. The other members of The Claremont Colleges are Claremont McKenna, Harvey Mudd, Pitzer, and Scripps Colleges, the Keck Graduate Institute and Claremont Graduate University.
» Cross-enrollment within The Claremont Colleges provides opportunities for curricular enrichment and participation in the Claremont collegiate community.

CURRICULUM
» The College offers no special speaking, reading or writing courses for those whose first language is not English. Therefore, all candidates for admission must be fluent in English and be academically prepared for a challenging college program.
» Focusing in a major encourages depth of study. Students choose majors from a list of 47.

» Interdisciplinary
» Africana Studies
» American Studies
» Asian American Studies
» Asian Studies
» Chicano/a-Latino/a Studies
» Environmental Analysis
» Gender & Women’s Studies
» Latin American Studies
» Media Studies
» Middle Eastern Studies
» Philosophy, Politics and Economics
» Public Policy Analysis
» Russian and Eastern European Studies
» Science, Technology and Society

APPLICATION DEADLINES
» Early Decision 1
» Early Decision 2
» Regular Decision

Tuition & Fees
» Total: $62,770 (USD)

INTERNATIONAL FINANCIAL AID
» U.S. citizens or U.S. permanent residents (“green card” status) are eligible for federal assistance and should file the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) and the Profile Registration Form with the College Scholarship Service (CSS).
» Pomona offers financial aid to approximately half of the admitted international students each year. Any admitted student with a demonstrated need will be offered a financial aid package that meets 100 percent of that need and is based on tuition, fees, room, board and incidental expenses. Pomona does not provide for travel expenses to or from the U.S. International transfer students are ineligible for any form of financial aid.

CONTACT
» Please let us know if we can provide more information, answers questions, or help you plan a campus visit.

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NONDISCRIMINATION POLICY
» Pomona College complies with all applicable state and federal civil rights laws prohibiting discrimination in education and the workplace. This policy of nondiscrimination covers admission, access, and service in Pomona College programs and activities, as well as hiring, promotion, compensation, benefits and all other terms and conditions of employment at Pomona College.

For information about visiting or any other aspect of the admissions process, visit us online at www.pomona.edu.