LEARN
LEAD
SUCCEED

IT STARTS AT CMC
The college search process is not easy. You will likely have many impressive institutions vying for your interest and consideration. What sets Claremont McKenna College apart from other highly selective, residential colleges and universities? We integrate the intellectual power of the liberal arts with dynamic innovation experience. We prepare our students to make a difference as thoughtful, productive, and responsible leaders in the private, public, and social sectors.

We are a community of 1,300 undergraduate students who are serious thinkers and effective doers who learn to solve complex problems through leadership in diverse settings. At CMC, you will put a rigorous liberal arts education to work through hands-on learning and real-world experience.

As you continue to think about your ambitions and the qualities you desire in a college, consider the following hallmarks of a CMC education and how that will help you to accomplish your intellectual, social, and professional goals.

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"Claremont McKenna College is a vibrant supportive environment that focuses on personal growth. Our students are challenged both inside and outside the classroom. As a result, there is no better place to define who you will be as a leader than CMC."

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CHAIR OF THE CMC BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Learn Through Robust Academic Opportunities

There are a variety of ways for you to analyze, question, discover, and achieve your goals. At CMC, learning to lead requires the application of your knowledge to real-world challenges and opportunities. Our students draw on a full range of intellectually challenging experiences to frame and address the questions of our time.

**MAJORS**
- American Studies
- Asian Studies
- Biochemistry
- Biology
- Biophysics
- Chemistry
- Classical Studies
- Economics
- Economics-Accounting
- Economics and Engineering (2/2 program)
- Environment, Economics, and Politics (EEP)
- Environmental Analysis Program (EAP)
- Film Studies
- French
- Government
- History
- International Relations
- Literature
- Mathematical Sciences
- Middle East Studies
- Molecular Biology
- Neuroscience
- Organismal Biology
- Philosophy
- Philosophy and Public Affairs
- Philosophy, Politics, and Economics (PPE)
- Physics
- Psychology
- Religious Studies
- Science Management
- Spanish

**In-Depth Research and Leadership Opportunities**

Research is a distinct and defining feature of the CMC experience. CMC’s research institutes provide you with graduate-level research opportunities in collaboration with distinguished faculty. Each institute or center has a specific mission and develops programs to meet academic and co-curricular objectives.

**BERGER INSTITUTE FOR WORK, FAMILY, AND CHILDREN**
Educates students, scholars, lawmakers, and the community about a wide range of work and family issues.

**CENTER FOR INNOVATION AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP**
Provides resources for faculty and student research, projects, and start-up enterprises in innovation and entrepreneurship.

**FINANCIAL ECONOMICS INSTITUTE**
Fosters education and research in financial economics by offering the Financial Economics Sequence, supporting state-of-the-art databases, and encouraging student-faculty interaction on research.

**GOULD CENTER FOR HUMANISTIC STUDIES**
Promotes the value of imagination as it provides opportunities for research, study, and experience in art, literature, history, philosophy, and other fields as a means to understand and develop the power and use of the imagination.

**KECK CENTER FOR INTERNATIONAL AND STRATEGIC STUDIES**
Promotes scholarly research and undergraduate education focused on understanding critical geopolitical and economic developments, particularly in Europe and the Asia-Pacific region.

CMC faculty are dedicated to your intellectual growth. At CMC, students and faculty inspire one another inside and outside the classroom.

8:1 student-faculty ratio

**SEQUENCES**
- Asian American Studies
- Computer Science
- Ethics
- Financial Economics
- Gender and Sexuality Studies
- Human Rights, Genocide, Holocaust Studies
- Jewish Studies
- Leadership
- Legal Studies
- Public Policy
- Scientific Modeling

**5C MAJORS**
- Africana Studies
- Chicana/o-LatINA/o Studies
- Media Studies
- Theater

80% of CMC classes have fewer than 20 students

| NEARLY 100% of CMC graduates take classes at the other 5Cs |
| NEARLY 80% of students conduct research with faculty |

**KRAVIS LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE**
Focuses on teaching and research in the areas of leadership, social innovation, entrepreneurism, and organizational effectiveness.

**LOWE INSTITUTE OF POLITICAL ECONOMY**
Advances research in all areas of economics with an emphasis on public policy and faculty-student collaboration.

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Explores the causes of genocide and human rights abuses, as well as the policies and processes necessary to oppose them.

**ROBERTS ENVIRONMENTAL CENTER**
Conducts student-led research and community interaction on environmental and conservation issues, involving natural sciences and policy sciences.

**ROSE INSTITUTE OF STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT**
Provides students with the opportunity to engage in research on issues relevant to state and local government, particularly in California, to report the results of that research in various forums, and to do so in a way that furthers the education of the students and enhances the reputation of the College.

**SALVATORI CENTER FOR THE STUDY OF INDIVIDUAL FREEDOM IN THE MODERN WORLD**
Engages in the study of political philosophy and freedom as they relate to American constitutionalism and the founding of the United States.

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- 20 books
- 25 external grants
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- 50 other articles, entries, and interviews

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A Global Perspective

NEARLY $1 million funding available for sponsored internships & experiences

CMC’s emphasis on classroom and experiential learning attracts the top employers and graduate schools. At CMC, you will integrate real-world experiences and global perspectives with a rigorous liberal arts education that will prepare you to take on the careers and professions of the 21st century.

SOLL CENTER FOR STUDENT OPPORTUNITY offers programs and career advisories to help you recognize, cultivate, and translate your interests and strengths into meaningful and exciting real-world opportunities.

CAREER SERVICES provides individualized career counseling, unrivaled networking trips, internship funding, and on-campus recruiting. Many of the nation’s best organizations come to campus to recruit CMC students for internship and employment opportunities.

ROBERT DAY SCHOLARS PROGRAM prepares highly motivated students for leadership roles in a variety of industries including financial services, consulting, and not-for-profit organizations. You can apply for this unique opportunity during your sophomore year.

SCHOLAR COMMUNITIES PROGRAM supports several scholar cohorts with first year internships, mentoring, advising, and other opportunities. Selection into the Scholar Communities is determined at the time of admission.


CMC’s Washington, D.C. and Silicon Valley off-campus study programs combine coursework with hands-on learning through internships and research.

WASHINGTON, D.C. PROGRAM Providing a firsthand look at the inside workings of the nation’s capital, this semester-long program enables you to intern full time in the offices of elected officials, government agencies, and public interest groups while taking courses with CMC faculty and writing a major research paper. Internship sponsors include the White House Chief of Staff, House Oversight and Government Reform, Supreme Court, Center for Strategic and International Studies, Alliance for Global Justice, CNN, and American Public Health Association.

SILICON VALLEY PROGRAM Affording students experience in the heart of innovation and technology, this semester-long program enables you to intern full time at today’s most exciting companies while taking courses with CMC faculty and writing a major research paper. Internship sponsors include Atlassian, Cisco, CrunchFund, Equinix, Intuit, Square, Tesla, and Uber.

STUDY ABROAD CMC students can spend at least one semester in Study Abroad programs in more than 40 countries in Europe, Asia, Africa, Latin America, Australia, and the Middle East.

We understand that leadership in today’s global society requires a global education. Whether you choose to study abroad, do an immersive internship, complete an international research project, or join an international academic travel program, you will come away with experiences that will change the way you see the world and yourself. The Center for Global Education provides an abundance of opportunities for you to expand your education in an international setting.

95% of students have at least one internship

CMC is a designated Ashoka U. Changemaker Campus

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STUDY ABROAD

CLAREMONT McKENNA COLLEGE
Close-Knit, Diverse Community

CMC fosters an inclusive and diverse community, which is fluid, dynamic, and open. Attending CMC means joining a community with a strong commitment to supporting and promoting diversity and inclusion for students from all ethnicities, nationalities, races, and gender identification.

17% international students

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• 16 of 21 sports have finished in the top-10 in the nation
• 11 women’s and 10 men’s varsity NCAA Division III teams
• Mascots: Athenas (women) and Stags (men)
• 47 P.E. courses offered, along with walk-in fitness classes
• Approximately 20 club teams and intramural sports to participate in

Over 200 5C clubs and organizations

CARE CENTER

CIVILITY, ACCESS, RESOURCES, AND EXPRESSION

The CARE Center is a space for expression, study, dialogue, and exploration of our intersecting social identities, and how they inform the ways in which we live within, learn from, and engage with the world. Each year, current student CARE Fellows host programs designed to bring in a wide range of perspectives and provide space for diverse opinions.

36% students of color among US students

20 club teams and intramural sports

CLAUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS

Amnesty International
Claremont Accounting Association
Claremont Consulting Group
Claremont Radius
CREATE Club
Film History and Appreciation Club
IMI Gente!
Model United Nations
Outdoor Initiative
Sexuality and Gender Alliance
Student Investment Fund
Sustainable Students Promoting Environmental Awareness & Responsibility
Women’s Forum
... and more!

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6 months out
94% of grads have a job, are in grad school, or volunteer service

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The Claremont Colleges

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2,300
5C courses

1.9
million volumes
in the Claremont Colleges Library

12
minute walk to the Claremont Village

OVER
So Cal Living

10
miles to Ontario International Airport

One-hour drive to Southern California beaches, Joshua Tree National Park, and Disneyland.

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