

OCCIDENTAL COLLEGE

INFORMATION FOR COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS

Liberal Arts in Los Angeles

Occidental College fully integrates the liberal arts and sciences with the cultural and intellectual resources of Los Angeles. Students live and study on our picturesque residential campus in Northeast L.A., where our location serves as a springboard for putting theory into practice and ideas into action. Oxy's distinctive interdisciplinary approach gives students the chance to explore new ideas and see the world from a new perspective. With more than 40 majors and minors, Occidental provides its students with a compelling intellectual adventure, enhanced by internships and partnerships across the diverse city of Los Angeles.

Academic Support

- We have a 91% freshman retention rate, and 84% graduate within six years.
- The Multicultural Summer Institute (MSI) is offered each year to first-year students from underrepresented backgrounds. This academic and residential program prepares students for their academic career by introducing them to the campus experience and offering classes for which they earn academic credit.
- Free academic tutoring and support are available in all disciplines.

Contemporary career education programming and comprehensive advising are in place to help students navigate the career preparation process and pursue successful careers in a wide range of fields.

Financial Support at Occidental

- We meet **100%** of demonstrated need.
- We are ranked in the top 30 in the *New York Times*' 2017 College Access index for colleges that fund low- and middle-income students, and in the top 10 among top-ranked liberal arts schools.
- 72% of students receive institutional grants or scholarships.

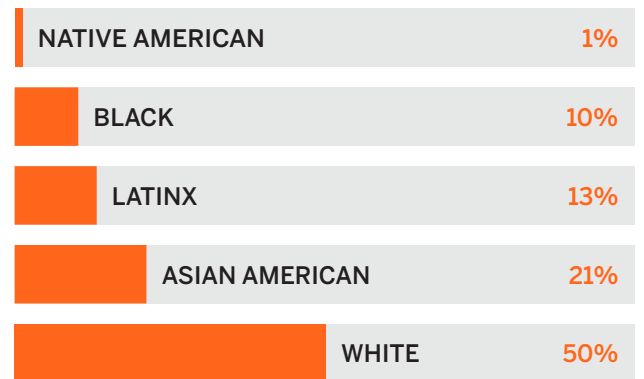
Student Outcomes

With internships and individual career preparation available through the Hameetman Career Center and research opportunities offered by Oxy's Undergraduate Research Center, Oxy students are well prepared for life after Oxy. These experiences often translate into post-graduate success, with 85% employed full time within six months of graduation and 100% one year after graduation. Recent alumni have gone on to successful careers at places including Google, NASA, BuzzFeed, Morgan Stanley and the U.S. Department of State.

OUR STUDENTS



2020 ETHNIC BACKGROUND*



*not including international citizens

OUR CITY



Los Angeles is one of the most diverse cities in the U.S. People from more than **140 countries**, speaking **224 different languages**, call Los Angeles home. With more than **4 million residents**, the city doesn't have a majority population, and is proud of its diversity.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau



Campus Resources

- **Intercultural Community Center (ICC):** For more than 30 years, the ICC has supported student cultural clubs, organized cultural graduations and conducted diversity and leadership trainings.
- **Student Leadership Involvement and Community Engagement (SLICE)** connects students with opportunities to enact Occidental's values through community-based service and learning collaborations with organizations in Los Angeles and beyond.
- Oxy's **First-Gen Coalition** works to help first-generation students effectively navigate the learning environment, build a sense of belonging and community with peers, build familiarity with valuable campus resources and connect with mentorship.
- **The Center for Gender Equity (CGE)** addresses the needs of women, men, non-binary, agender and transgender members on campus by providing support, advocacy and programming that promotes awareness, personal empowerment, mutual respect and equity. This includes the LGTQIA+ Ally Programming and the Lead With Pride peer mentor program
- **Inclusive Housing Options:** Living on campus is a critical part of the Oxy experience. Students are required to live on campus for three years, and nearly 80% of our students live on campus. In addition to traditional residence halls, Oxy offers themed and special-interest housing options, including gender-neutral housing, Queer House and the Pauley Multicultural Hall.

Connect With Us

Occidental is committed to diversity and equity, and we know CBOs play an important role in supporting students in their college search. Our admission officers visit most states each year and are eager to connect with you. You or your students can contact us at any time. We offer a fly-in program for underrepresented prospective students in the fall and admitted students in the spring. For more information about our fly-in programs visit our website.

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Cultural Student Organizations

Student organizations are a vibrant part of the campus community, and give students an opportunity to connect to those with similar interests and learn from those of different backgrounds. Some of our cultural organizations include:

- Asian American Tutorial Project
- Armenian Students Association
- Azúcar
- Black Student Alliance
- Filipinx United Student Organization
- First Gen Club
- International Students Club
- Japanese Cultural Organization
- Korean American Student Association
- Latinx Student Union
- Muslim Student Association
- Queer Literature Club
- Sexuality and Gender Acceptance
- Students for Equity in and Advocacy in STEM
- Women in STEM

