

- 8:00 a.m. – **Optional Early Bird Campus Tour**
8:50 a.m. A student tour guide leads you through campus highlights. This is a great option for those arriving before check-in.
- 8:30 a.m. – **Check-in**
9:00 a.m. Students, staff and members of the Oxy community are on-hand to answer questions as you begin your day with us. Pastries and coffee will be available*.
- 9:15 a.m. **Welcome Remarks**
A morning salutation by President Harry J. Elam Jr., and overview of the day's schedule with Maricela Martinez, Vice President of Enrollment.
**Please note that food and drinks are not allowed inside Thorne Hall.*
- 9:30 a.m. – **An Introduction to Occidental College**
10:00 a.m. Occidental College provides an intimate liberal arts education within a city of three million people. Hear from Sr. Associate Dean of Admission, Courtney Stricklin Borgan '03, as she provides an overview on how these two major attributes shape our academics and student life.
- 10:10 a.m. – **Choose one of the following:**
11:00 a.m. **Faculty Perspectives Panel**
Join a variety of faculty across our diverse academic departments to hear about the Oxy classroom experience.
Student Experience Panel
Current students share about their college search process, what drew them to Oxy and how their time at Oxy has been unfolding. From academics to student life, our panelists will highlight their experiences on-campus and in Los Angeles, as well as the support they received in their transition to college.
- 11:10 a.m. – **Choose one of the following:**
12:00 p.m. **The Ins-and-Outs of Admission & Financial Aid**
Members of the Admission and Financial Aid staff provide an overview of the application process, insights into financial aid packaging and tips on completing the required application components.
Writing the College Essay & Oxy Supplementals
Guidance on what makes a college essay stand out and how to craft memorable content. Our admission counselors lead the audience in an analysis of successful essays. They also share advice on common essay-writing pitfalls.
- 12:05 p.m. – **Lunch**
12:45 p.m. Enjoy a complimentary lunch with current Oxy students, alumni and staff in the heart of campus. Vegan, vegetarian, and gluten free options available at either lunch station.
- 12:50 p.m. – **Choose one of the following:**
1:40 p.m. **The Ins-and-Outs of Admission & Financial Aid**
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Campus Tour
Tour campus with a student tour guide to see where Oxy students live, work, and study.
- 1:45 p.m. – **Cookies on the Quad**
2:15 p.m. Refreshments are served while Oxy students and staff are available to answer any final questions.