

Studying data analytics for nuclear research. Lobbying for climate change in Washington, D.C. Starting a support group for under-resourced youth. Guided by intellectual curiosity and a desire to learn from the very best, the incoming Class of 2028 is ready to expand on its stellar list of accomplishments while at Claremont McKenna College. Our latest group of eager and engaged applicants represents 36 states and 21 countries. They join an impressive lineage of CMC students who strive for balance academically, athletically, professionally, and socially—all while adding diverse backgrounds, voices, and ideas to our unique interdisciplinary liberal arts ethos.

States with the Highest Representation



Test Scores

SAT Evidence-Based Reading and Writing	720 - 770
SAT Math	750 - 790
ACT Composite	33 - 35

Scores represent the mid-50% range

Class of 2028: In Numbers

First-year applicants Admits Commits	626
Men Women	
First generation to attend college	14%

Ethnicity	
Asian	20%
Black or African American	4%
Hispanic or Latino	16%
Non-U.S. Citizen	15%
Race or Ethnicity Unknown	4%
Two or More Races	8%

LEADERSHIP METRICS



White

408

Students have founded and/or lead a school-based organization

198

Students are captains of an athletic team or club 252

Students are leaders in service organizations, city councils, or founded their own business

34

Students hold an executive role on their school's student government 892

33%

Total leadership positions

In addition to the impressive leadership positions held by the class, there are close to 55 instances where a student's commitment and contributions to their family are extraordinary, such as significant hours worked, caring for siblings, elder care, and helping a family with business transactions and translation.

MEET THE CLASS

Here's a glimpse at some ways talented members of the Class of 2028 plan to make their mark at CMC.



Kryster (Ella) Carmela Labarda Hometown: Rancho Cucamonga, CA

Honors and Activities: Bank of America Student Leader - Inland Empire Market Representative, Hope Through Housing Foundation and National Core Renaissance Intern, Co-Founder and Host of Beyond the Model Asian Podcast, District Office Intern for California State Assembly 50th District, Future Business Leaders of America Lead4Change Committee Videographer, National Students Bioethics Association Research Committee, and Independent Sculpture Artist

Academic Interests: Philosophy Politics & Economics (PPE), Integrated Sciences, Public Policy

Proudest Accomplishment: Interning at a local nonprofit as a Bank of America student leader to advocate for affordable housing and social service programs providing for families, children, and the elderly. Interacting with fellow student leaders from around the nation at the Washington D.C. summit, including discussion with U.S. politicians about pressing issues from healthcare to budget.

Goals at CMC: In establishing camaraderie and demonstrating professional productivity, I aim to absorb myself in the resources that CMC offers. Getting involved with socio-scientific research, programs such as the Appel Fellowship, or joining cultural organizations would all help my efforts to build rapport with my fellow peers and faculty at CMC!



Bardia Mizani Hometown: San Antonio, Texas

Honors and Activities: Recipient of "The History & Social Sciences Senior Award" and "The Ben McMurray Citizenship Award," Sophomore and Junior Year Class President, Student Body President, Leader of Legal Legacy Project Nonprofit, MUN Club Delegate, Soccer and Lacrosse Player, Concert and Jazz Band Saxophone Player

Academic Interests: Economics, Government, Data Science, Philosophy Politics & Economics (PPE)

Proudest Accomplishment: With the help and support of our administration at my high school, I helped restart the tradition of a senior motto after over 100 years without one. We chose, as a class, "Audere est facere," which translates to "to dare is to do." We had the motto etched into a marble slab that now hangs outside a door to our library.

Goals at CMC: My goal at CMC is to take time to get to know my peers, foster the best kind of civil discourse (one where even if people starkly disagree, a balanced conversation will still be had), and hopefully leave the college a better place than when I first became a member of its community. I am really excited for days when I can explore the nature around us, whether it be the mountains or the beaches!



Krish Malhotra Hometown: Chicago, IL

Honors and Activities: Founder and Head of Helping Hands for Refugee Children, Captain of the Varsity Golf Team, CFO of Junior Economic Club of Chicago, Camp Counselor, Chicago Election Judge, Intern at the Indo-American Center, Intern on High-Risk Credit Investment Team, Financial Literacy Teacher through FinLit, Founder of Parker Republicans, Founder of Games and Statistics Club

Academic Interests: Financial Economics, Policy, Economics, Statistics, Leadership Studies, International Relations

Proudest Accomplishment: Successfully created a financial literacy program for students across Mumbai that reached 200+ students and helped to grow the chapter to seven times its previous size.

Goals at CMC: I am very excited to participate in activities like Model UN and student government. I would also like to continue similar research to what I have done through the Lowe Institute of Political Economy, complete the financial economics sequence, and hopefully gain experience through the Washington Program. Finally, I want to contribute towards the CMC mission for free speech and open dialogue in classes, student organizations, and more with members of the community.



Katherine Dennis Hometown: Calgary, Canada

Honors and Activities: Head Prefect of School's Prefect Council, Head Yearbook Editor, Council Member of the Alberta Minister of Education Youth Advisory Council, Studied International Law and Human Rights at Columbia University's High School Immersion, Students' Council Representative, Recipient of the West Island College Inspiring Leaders Award, First Place Winner of West Island College's Business Case Competition

Academic Interests: Philosophy Politics & Economics (PPE), Economics, Leadership Studies, Legal Studies

Proudest Accomplishment: Working to affect change in my Provincial Education System by sitting on a youth advisory council and providing feedback on curriculum development for the Province

Goals at CMC: I am thrilled to broaden my worldviews through CMC initiatives such as the Athenaeum and the Open Academy. I am also excited for experiences such as internships, semesters abroad and, hopefully, participating in the Washington D.C. or Silicon Valley programs. Most importantly, I am keen to foster relationships with the passionate students and professors who make CMC so special.

FINANCIAL AID



CMC has a need-blind admission policy for U.S. citizens and permanent residents. We meet 100% of demonstrated financial need for all admitted students.

FINANCIAL NEED	AMOUNT
Net price for those with need-based financial aid	\$28,629
Average need-based grant aid amount (institutional, federal, and state sources)	\$63,312
Percent of students receiving financial aid	50%
Percent of student receiving need-based financial aid	39%
Percent of Pell Grant recipients	16%
Percent receiving CMC Merit Scholarship (McKenna, Seaver, ISS, Podlich)	7%

