CAMPUS LIFE
Quality of Life Rating 98
Fire Safety Rating 71
Green Rating 83
Type of school Private
Affiliation No Affiliation
Environment Town

STUDENTS
Total undergrad enrollment 980
% male/female 0/100
% from out of state 49
% frosh live on campus 100
% undergrads live on campus 96
% African American 3
% Asian 17
% Caucasian 51
% Hispanic 8
% Native American 0
% international 4
# of countries represented 21

ACADEMICS
Academic Rating 98
% students returning for sophomore year 93
% students graduating within 4 years 80
% students graduating within 6 years 84
Calendar Semester
Student/faculty ratio 10:1
Profs interesting rating 95
Profs accessible rating 98

MOST POPULAR MAJORS
political science; psychology; biology

ABOUT THE SCHOOL
As the women’s college within a consortium that also includes four schools within walking distance of one another, Scripps offers the intimacy and intense focus of a small college campus with the academic and co-curricular offerings of a larger university. You can use all the facilities at the other four schools in the Claremont Colleges and cross-register for all manner of courses. Students find this system “very beneficial because it offers opportunities and resources that a small school would not otherwise have access to, and makes for interesting class discussions with people from very diverse academic backgrounds.” Scripps’ innovative Money Wise Women program includes a financial literacy course that covers everything from buying a first home to signing a prenuptial agreement. Professors at Scripps are always accessible and consistently excellent. There’s a demanding, three-semester, interdisciplinary Core Curriculum that sets the academic tone when you arrive. Students say they appreciate how the core program “strengthens your understanding of Western thought in ways you’d never imagined.” Every student also completes a thesis or senior project prior to graduation. Eighty-two percent of students hold at least one internship during their undergraduate years.

BANG FOR YOUR BUCK
Scripps College meets 100 percent of an eligible student’s demonstrated financial need for all four years with the combination of grants, scholarships, part-time employment, and loans. Additionally, all applicants are considered for merit funds ranging from $10,000 a year to $20,000 a year. No separate application is required in order to be considered for these merit awards. The pick of the litter is the New Generation Award. It’s renewable, and it’s a full ride in the truest sense. In addition to tuition, fees, and room and board, you get three round-trip airfares home annually and a $3,000 one-time summer research stipend. The James E. Scripps Award is a $20,000 annual, renewable award. There are 75–100 of them offered each year. New Trustee, Founder’s, and Presidential Scholarships offer students whose “strong academic performance and school or community involvement indicate that they will add vitality and intellectual value to the campus” and a four-year renewable award worth between $10,000 and $17,500. A biology major says that she chose Scripps College “because of the fantastic merit scholarships. Not only did they defray the expense of attending a private college, but they convinced me I could be a big fish in a small pond here.”

STUDENT LIFE
Prospective students interested in Scripps will be delighted to discover that there’s rarely a dull moment on this campus. As one knowing senior shares, “There are so many activities to become involved in. Whether you’re interested in feminist issues, journalism, baking, sports or music, Scripps has a place for you to belong.” When it comes to simply kicking back, “Scripps women love sunning on the lawn or at the pool...[and] they also love grabbing a cup of coffee at our amazing student run and eco-friendly coffee shop, the Motley!” While the college itself doesn’t have a big party scene, the “surrounding schools in the consolidations throw great parties every weekend...[including] ‘art after hours’ and ‘Thursday Night Club’ on Thursdays.” And, as another senior boasts, “there are many off campus activities like trips to LA, rock climbing, and skiing...[and] you can be on the slopes and at the beach on the same day! How do you beat that?”
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SELECTIVITY
Admissions Rating 97
# of applicants 2,378
% of applicants accepted 36
% of acceptees attending 32
# offered a place on the wait list 489
% accepting a place on wait list 43
% admitted from wait list 0
# of early decision applicants 179
% accepted early decision 53

FRESHMAN PROFILE
Range SAT Critical Reading 640–733
Range SAT Math 640–720
Range SAT Writing 660–750
Range ACT Composite 29–32
Minimum paper TOEFL 600
Minimum web-based TOEFL 100
Average HS GPA 4.13
% graduated top 10% of class 75
% graduated top 25% of class 99
% graduated top 50% of class 100

DEADLINES
Early decision
Deadline 11/15
Notification 12/15
Regular
Deadline 1/1
Notification 4/1
Nonfall registration? No

FINANCIAL FACTS
Financial Aid Rating 98
Annual tuition $47,164
Room and board $14,562
Required fees $214
Books and supplies $800
% needy frosh rec. need-based scholarship or grant aid 100
% needy UG rec. need-based scholarship or grant aid 99
% needy frosh rec. non-need-based scholarship or grant aid 7
% needy UG rec. non-need-based scholarship or grant aid 8
% needy frosh rec. need-based self-help aid 86
% needy UG rec. need-based self-help aid 89
% frosh rec. any financial aid 61
% UG rec. any financial aid 60
% UG borrow to pay for school 48
Average cumulative indebtedness $20,125
% frosh need fully met 100
% ugrads need fully met 100
Average % of frosh need met 100
Average % of ugrad need met 100

CAREER
Scripps alums are a successful lot and can be found working across a variety of industries. In fact, over 50 percent of students begin full-time work within three months after graduation. Recent graduates have landed plum with gigs with companies such as 21st Century Fox, Facebook, Ernst & Young, Los Angeles County Museum of Art, Johnson & Johnson, National Institute of Health and Morgan Stanley. Moreover, within the first year of graduation, roughly 20 percent of students pursue graduate and/or professional degrees. Scripps alums have enrolled in institutions such as Cornell University, Duke University, Boston College, UCLA, Georgetown University and Rice University. Other resources unique to Scripps include a personalized freshman orientation to the Career Planning & Resources office and an online Resume Book for seniors embarking on their job hunts. Approximately 8 percent of graduating seniors receive prestigious fellowships and grants like the Fulbright and Watson Fellowship to continue their studies/research.

GENERAL INFO
Activities: Choral groups, dance, drama/theater, literary magazine, music ensembles, radio station, student government, student newspaper, symphony orchestra, yearbook, campus ministries, international student organization. Organizations: 200 registered organizations, 5 honor societies, 7 religious organizations. Athletics (Intercollegiate): Women: Basketball, cross-country, diving, golf, lacrosse, soccer, softball, swimming, tennis, track/field (outdoor), volleyball, water polo. On-Campus Highlights: Williamson Gallery, Motley Coffee House, Denison Library, Margaret Fowler Garden, Malott Commons, Graffiti Wall, Sallie Tiernan Field House.

FINANCIAL AID

BOTTOM LINE
The retail price for tuition, room and board, and fees at Scripps is around $61,940 a year. Financial aid is superabundant here, though, so please don’t let cost keep you from applying. Also worth noting: the average total need-based indebtedness for Scripps graduates is $20,125—well below the national average at private colleges and universities.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION FROM PAYSCALE.COM
RUE rating 89
Median starting salary $42,000
Median mid-career salary $101,000

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