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University Counsellor Tour

California

17-24 July

Los Angeles
Thousand Oaks
Santa Barbara
Malibu
La Verne
Redlands
Pomona
Claremont
Riverside
Irvine
Orange
San Diego

2020



Shaping the future of international education



ABOUT THE TOUR

Explore 21 colleges and universities over 8 days during the 2020 CIS Counsellor Tour in California, USA.

The unique qualities of each institution will come to life while you learn about their international admission processes, student environments, and locale. Discover the diverse cultures and ways of life that make up these Southern California institutions. Enjoy networking with your peers and building new and lasting relationships across the admissions community.

Returning to your school, you'll be well-informed and ready to provide excellent information and guidance to your students.

Colleges and universities to be visited during the 2020 CIS Counsellor Tour

California Lutheran University

California State Polytechnic University,
Pomona

Chapman University

Claremont McKenna College

Harvey Mudd College

Loyola Marymount University

Occidental College

Otis College of Art and Design

Pepperdine University

Pitzer College

Pomona College

Scripps College

University of California, Irvine

University of California, Los Angeles

University of California, Riverside

University of California, San Diego

University of California, Santa Barbara

University of La Verne

University of Redlands

University of San Diego

University of Southern California



To Visit 21 Universities

WHAT MAKES CIS TOURS UNIQUE?

The CIS University Counsellor Tour has stood the test of time. The CIS Counsellor Tour continues as the longest standing tour of its kind with a stellar reputation for providing a high-quality program, effective university visits, and excellent opportunities for professional engagement.

The CIS University Counsellor Tour leaders are experienced counsellors working at CIS member Schools. They understand your needs and goals. The tour is conveniently held each year in connection with the International ACAC annual conference.

The CIS University Counsellor Tour is focused entirely on undergraduate students. Quality CIS member universities offer welcoming site visits, open and informative student interactions, sessions and panels as well as provide the opportunity to make your school known to them.

The CIS University Counsellor Tour offers diversity. Travelling with your counterparts from around the world provides valuable networking and learning opportunities.

MEET THE TOUR DIRECTORS

TOUR DIRECTOR

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Michelle has been the Director of University Counseling at Hisar School in Istanbul, Turkey for eight years. She was previously on the International Admissions team at Boston University from 1996-2009 and at King Abdullah University of Science and Technology from 2009-2012. Michelle earned her BA in Communications from Emmanuel College in Boston and her MA in Higher Education Administration from Boston University.



ASSISTANT TOUR DIRECTOR

Annie Prasanna

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Annie holds an advanced postgraduate Masters of Philosophy degree in English Language and Literature and has over 16 years of experience as an educator both in high school and at the university level. She is currently in her second year at the American School of Bombay where she enjoys mentoring students from 45 nationalities. In her tenth year as a College Counselor, she has previously worked at the Dhirubhai Ambani International School in Mumbai, and the Indus International School in Bangalore. She is an alumna of the Harvard Summer Institute on College Admissions and is currently pursuing a certification from the Counselor Training Center. In her spare time, she volunteers with dog shelters, urban food forests and microhistory projects.



TENTATIVE ITINERARY

FRI	17 July	Los Angeles	Individual Arrivals
SAT	18 July	Los Angeles	Visits: Otis College of Art and Design; Loyola Marymount University
SUN	19 July	Santa Barbara, Thousand Oaks, Malibu	Visits: University of California, Santa Barbara; California Lutheran University; Pepperdine University
MON	20 July	La Verne, Redlands, Pomona	Visits: University of La Verne; University of Redlands; California State Polytechnic University, Pomona
TUE	21 July	Claremont	Visits: Claremont Colleges: Claremont McKenna College, Harvey Mudd College, Pitzer College, Pomona College, Scripps College
WED	22 July	Los Angeles	Visits: Occidental College; University of California, Los Angeles; University of Southern California
THU	23 July	Riverside, Orange, Irvine	Visits: University of California, Riverside; Chapman University; University of California, Irvine
FRI	24 July	San Diego	Visits: University of San Diego, University of California, San Diego; Individual Departures



TRAVEL DETAILS

DESTINATIONS

Los Angeles, Thousand Oaks, Santa Barbara, Malibu, La Verne, Redlands, Pomona, Claremont, Riverside, Irvine, Orange, San Diego, CALIFORNIA, UNITED STATES.

TRANSPORTATION

Bus transportation between university visits are included. Transportation to the arrival accommodation and from the last university visit for your onward travel is not included.

ORIENTATION/DEBRIEFING

Welcome meeting will take place in Los Angeles.

ACCOMMODATIONS

Accommodation will be provided by university hosts, beginning the night of Friday 17 July and including the night of Thursday 23 July.

MEALS

Breakfast, lunch, and most dinners will be provided.

GRATUITIES & TAXES

All gratuities and taxes related to transportation are included.

PASSPORTS/VISAS

A valid passport is required to travel, along with a minimum validity of six months from the scheduled return date. Participants are responsible for obtaining a necessary visa to the USA, if required. Passport holders of countries within the US Visa Waiver Program can apply for an ESTA visa [here](#).

TOUR GUIDANCE

The tour director and assistant tour director are experienced guidance professionals who will lead this tour.

TOUR MATERIALS

Appropriate pre-tour information and pre-trip literature will be provided to all tour participants. A mobile app will be provided for all participants to share tour information.

TRAVEL INSURANCE

A group coverage policy is included for all participants. A copy will be provided by CIS.

GENERAL CONDITIONS



- The CIS University Counsellor Tour is open to guidance counsellors employed full-time with a school and CIS affiliated independent counsellors only. Preference is given to counsellors employed at CIS member schools and CIS affiliated independent counsellors.
- The tour will be limited to 30 participants.
- Participants must adhere to the CIS [Code of Ethics](#).
- Participants must take part in the entire tour itinerary; deviations from the tour itinerary are not permitted.
- Additional travelers may not accompany the tour participant at any time on the tour.
- The Council of International Schools (CIS) frequently photographs and/or videotapes and records its events and meetings. By attending this tour you consent to being recorded and/or photographed, and authorise CIS to use any video, recording and/or photographs in any medium (web, digital, print, broadcast) throughout the world at CIS's sole and exclusive discretion.

COST OF PARTICIPATION
US\$ 470 (excluding VAT)

PRIORITY APPLICATION DEADLINE
14 February 2020

PAYMENT & REGISTRATION

Payment is due at the time the traveler is approved for the tour and can be paid via a credit card online or international wire transfer.

Attendance on the tour is not guaranteed until payment is received.

CANCELLATION/PENALTIES

Cancellation of registration should be made online by modifying your existing registration. Cancellations made up to 30 days before the tour will incur an administrative fee of US\$ 50. Cancellations made 30 days or less before the event, or non-attendance at the tour itself, will not be refunded.



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