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Upcoming Events

Harvard Global Networking Night in Los Angeles

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No charge, cash food/bar - RSVP requested

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HBSAOC Event: How to Get Your News into the News

WED, FEB 7 @ 6:00PM Nguoi Viet (Vietnamese People) Daily News \$25, Pre-Registered Online with code HAAP218

2018 Inter-Ivy+ Mammoth Ski Trip

FRI-SUN, FEB 9-11
Mammoth Mountain Ski Resort
\$349 before 1/2, \$369 after 1/2

Early Action: Admissions

On December 12, Harvard College notified 964 students of their acceptance into the Class of 2022, representing 14.5 percent of the 6,630 applicants for early admission. This year's acceptance rate for early applicants is roughly equal to last year's rate—the lowest since the return of the early admission program in 2011. The overall early applicant pool was the largest since the program's reinstatement.

"The one thing we can say with certainty is that the numbers rose this year," said William R. Fitzsimmons '67, Dean of Admissions and Financial Aid. "In general terms, it appears that more institutions had increases than the reverse... Early admission, in one form or another, is the new normal."

In addition to the 964 students accepted early, 4,882 students were deferred to the regular applicant pool and 611 students were rejected, reflecting 73.6 and 9.2 percent of the early applicant pool, respectively. The remaining 173 applications were marked incomplete and will be reviewed alongside regular decision applications when completed.

In the Southern California region, 57 students were admitted out of 356 applicants, for an acceptance rate of 16 percent, compared to the global rate of 14.5 percent, reflecting "our largesse of amazing young people," according to Marsha Hirano-Nakanishi, Harvard Club of Southern California Executive Vice President.

Harvard is expecting the total application pool to be at least as large as last year's record of nearly 39,500, and alumni interviews will be more important than ever. If you are interested in being an alumni interviewer, please contact Harry Kim at hhwk@yahoo.com.

The Dins and Kroks Return to L.A. on January 12

Join the Harvard Club of Southern California in welcoming two of Harvard's most prestigious a cappella groups as they return to Los Angeles. The Harvard Din & Tonics and the Harvard Krokodiloes will be performing at the Westwood Presbyterian Church at 7:30PM on Friday, January 12.

This will be the groups' second annual Wintersession visit to the Southland. Last year's concert was sold out, with people turned away at the door, so we encourage you to buy your tickets now. Tickets must be purchased in advance on the website.

The cost is \$15 for members, \$30 for non-members. If you are not a member of the Club, this is an excellent opportunity to join. Annual membership is just \$25 for recent graduates, and as low as \$45 a year for everyone else (with purchase of a three-year membership), so if you buy three tickets, it's like getting your membership for free. Tickets and Club membership can be purchased on our website.

The Harvard Yardbirds, L.A.'s Harvard alumni a cappella group, will be opening the concert with a few songs. We will also host a post-concert wine and cheese reception at which you'll be able to meet the singers and purchase copies of their latest CDs.





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Harvard Global Networking Night in Los Angeles

Twice a year, thousands of Harvard alumni make new connections at Global Networking Night (GNN) events in cities across the globe. The last GNN drew more than 5,000 alumni in 85 cities worldwide. Attendance is free.

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Join Dr. Rob Williams, retired Air Force officer and director of Discovery Lab Global (DLG), as he introduces the concept of "Entrepreneurial STEM through the Eyes of an Avatar." Please register as soon as possible as seating is limited.

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HBSAOC Event: How to Get Your News into the News

Ever wonder how you might get coverage for your business, your campaign or important social developments? Join us for this special event hosted by the Harvard Business School Association of Orange County (part of their Inside the Company series).

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2018 HVC California Golf Tournament

Now that more Harvard alumni live on the west coast than in Massachusetts, we're long overdue to establish the Harvard Varsity Club California Golf Tournament! Don't miss out on the inaugural HVC California Golf Tournament at MountainGate Country Club.

MON, MAR 15 @ 10:30AM

Mountaingate Country Club

\$200 for HVC members, \$250 for non-members

RSVP at https://www.harvardvarsityclub.org/article.html?aid=1631



Q&A from 02138:

Rhianna Elyse Glynn Rich '19



Rhianna Elyse Glynn Rich '19, a concentrator in Neurobiology and obtaining a secondary in History of Science and citation in Spanish, was born in Torrance, California and graduated from El Segundo High School, where she was captain of the soccer and softball teams. She is a junior residing in Mather House. At Harvard, she works at Digital Images and Slides in the Arthur M. Sackler building as a library assistant and is a member of the varsity softball team. This past summer she dedicated her time to working softball camps and giving one on one softball lessons to young players.

HCSC: What surprised you about being a student at Harvard?

REGR: I think what surprised me most was how everyone in the Harvard community pushes for your success as a student. Teaching fellows and professors make themselves easily available to students and want their students to succeed. It took me by surprise because so often you hear how competitive Ivy League schools are but there are so many people here rooting for your success in the classroom and try to help in any way possible.

HCSC: When was the first time you visited Harvard and what were your impressions at that time?

REGR: I first visited Harvard my junior year of high school. Above all else, I was immediately impressed by the people here at Harvard. I had visited other schools but Harvard's intellectual and diverse community stood out.

HCSC: What was your favorite class (or professor) and why?

REGR: My favorite class was easily MCB 80, which is the introduction class for Neurobiology. It solidified my interest in Neuro; it was amazing how many things I learned about the brain and not only how the brain operates biologically but also psychologically.

HCSC: What has been your funniest moment at Harvard?

REGR: There is actually a hilarious Facebook page run by Harvard students that posts memes about the Harvard experience that all students can relate to.

HCSC: If you were President of Harvard, what would you change?

REGR: I would encourage more support at Harvard Athletics events.

HCSC: What do you miss most about Southern California (other than the weather and family)?

REGR: I definitely miss Mexican food and the beach the most. I never realized how good Mexican food in SoCal was until I arrived here. I also realized that living close to the beach was something I took for granted while at home.

HCSC: How do you think Southern California will figure into your future after Harvard?

REGR: I actually think about if I'll end up returning to Southern California quite a bit. I still view it as "home" but I do love experiencing four seasons on the east coast. However, if I had to guess, I'd say that I will most likely return to SoCal to settle down.



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