

Greetings from Malibu!

I hope this letter finds you well in the midst of this busy season. We are once again looking forward to another successful year in the Office of Admission. For the second year in a row, Pepperdine's Seaver College received over 12,000 applications and welcomed 894 new students to campus this August! For this year's new applicant class, we have also added an **Early Action deadline of November 1**, with decisions being sent January 10. We are excited to give students this opportunity for the first time in many years. Below are a few more exciting updates to our campus.

I. Academics

- We have added 3 new minors including Survey Research, Nonprofit Management, and Faith & Vocation. We have also added a new Computer Science/Philosophy track for CS majors.
- Pepperdine was again ranked #1 in the nation for Undergraduate Study Abroad Participation by the Institute for International Education. This includes participation in our 29 study abroad opportunities, as well as our unique Global Fellows certificate program.

II. Student Life

- Our Theatre department is continuing last year's award-winning performances with four new plays and musicals. Notable among them will be *Falling*, which takes a bold look at understanding autism from inside a family, and a new gender role-reversed take on Shakespeare's *The Taming of the Shrew*.
- Campus Recreation has renovated a brand new recreational field for our intramural and club sports teams. The renovation also brought a new studio for our group fitness classes, which are available to students multiple times a day, every day of the week.

III. Campus Life Project

- This August, we welcomed 350 students into our brand-new Seaside Residence Hall. The suite-style dorm boasts enhanced rooms, communal areas, and views of the Pacific Ocean.
- The completely remodeled Payson Library opened in time for the start of classes for this past academic school year. It showcases a 3-D printer lab, state-of-the-art study spaces, and ocean views! The remodel even included the addition of the first Starbucks to campus.

IV. Outcomes

- Our percentage of students involved in hands-on vocational work jumped to 96% this year. Nearly all of our students graduate with these experiences, which include internships, undergraduate research with a professor, student-teaching, and other career-related work.
- Pepperdine has partnered with AEG to offer an educational experience that will combine AEG's expertise and international sports network with Pepperdine University's academic excellence. The partnership include a classroom at the Staples Center and prestigious internships.

Our team is excited to work with your students through the application process. Thank you for the important work you are doing. All the best this 2018-19 school year.

Warmly,

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