At a Glance

HISTORY
Founded as Throop University in 1891 in Pasadena, California, and renamed the California Institute of Technology (Caltech) in 1920.

RESEARCH AND EDUCATION

**Academic Divisions**
- Biology & Biological Engineering
- Chemistry & Chemical Engineering
- Engineering & Applied Science
- Geological & Planetary Sciences
- Humanities & Social Sciences
- Physics, Mathematics & Astronomy

**28 academic options (programs)**

**FACULTY**
- Approximately 300 professorial faculty
- More than 600 research scholars

**HONORS**
- Nobel Laureates²: 38
- National Medal of Science recipients²: 58
- National Medal of Technology and Innovation recipients³: 13
- Memberships in the National Academies³: 128

**STUDENTS**
- 948 undergraduate students
- 1,285 graduate students

94% of students are placed in top tenth of high-school graduating class.

The mission of the **California Institute of Technology** is to **expand human knowledge** and **benefit society** through research integrated with education. We investigate the most challenging, fundamental problems in **science and technology** in a singularly collegial, **interdisciplinary** atmosphere, while educating **outstanding students** to become creative members of society.
GLOBAL FACILITIES

Jet Propulsion Laboratory
- Founded by Caltech in the 1930s and managed for NASA since 1958
- Current missions include InSight, Mars Science Laboratory, Juno, Jason 3, and NuSTAR
- More than 100 research and mission collaborations with Caltech faculty

Caltech Seismological Laboratory
- Internationally recognized for excellence in geophysical research
- Provides research centers for seismic studies, high-performance computing, and mineral physics
- Preeminent source for earthquake information in Southern California and around the world

International Observatory Network
- W. M. Keck Observatory, Hawaii
- Palomar Observatory, California
- Caltech Submillimeter Observatory, Hawaii
- Owens Valley Radio Observatory, California
- Laser Interferometer Gravitational-wave Observatory (LIGO), Washington and Louisiana
- Chajnantor Observatory, Chile

LIVING ALUMNI

Over 24,000 in the U.S. and around the world

AFFORDING CALTECH

Students receiving need-based assistance  52%
Average need-based financial-aid package  $49,951
Average indebtedness for class of 2017  $16,777

EMPLOYEES¹

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¹ 2018–19 academic year
² Faculty and alumni
³ Includes trustees

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