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Where the cityscape of downtown Colorado Springs meets the Rocky Mountains sits **Colorado College**, a small, private liberal arts college with an approach to education as adventurous as its location.



CC COLORADO
COLLEGE



PROGRAM

Welcome to the **BLOCK PLAN**

Colorado College's innovative approach to the **liberal arts** is the Block Plan, our uniquely intensive academic schedule that allows students to dive into a different subject every three-and-a-half weeks. Students take one class at a time for three-and-a-half weeks, totaling four classes per semester and eight classes per year. Students take, and professors teach, one class at a time, which allows for full, **immersive learning**. Classes are small and **discussion-based**, allowing students and professors to engage with the material and collaborate with each other for three hours per day, from 9 a.m. to noon, Monday through Friday. Learning on the Block Plan is an intensive and rigorous endeavor; students end up spending more time in class than on a semester system, as a full semester's worth of study is condensed into just three and a half weeks. Students **work closely with their professors**, which encourages relationships both in and out of the classroom. The flexibility of the Block Plan allows for **field study and study abroad**, including day-long, week-long, and block-long trips domestically and internationally. Students also have the opportunity to spend a semester or year abroad. At the end of each block, students take four-and-a-half days to relax, refresh, and explore during **block breaks**. The autonomy of the Block Plan also provides opportunity for student research, either with professors or independently. **Venture Grants**, one example of college-funded student research, allow students to apply for funding to research with intellectual passion and creativity. **Welcome to one class at a time.**

Welcome to **COLORADO SPRINGS**

Nestled in the foothills of the **Rocky Mountains, Colorado Springs** is the second-largest city in Colorado. Boasting at least 300 days of sunshine per year, Colorado Springs sits at 6,035 feet above sea level with Pikes Peak as a backdrop. Because the Block Plan encourages interaction between you and your surroundings, Colorado College offers two satellite campuses in the Rocky Mountain region — the **Baca Campus** in Crestone, Colorado, and the **CC Cabin** in Divide, Colorado. Often referred to as the **gateway to the Southwest**, Colorado Springs also provides access to the rest of the region, and campus expands to encompass our community, the region, the American Southwest, and the world. Ranked the number one best town by *Outside* magazine and the number one big city to live in by *Money* magazine, Colorado Springs offers a perfect blend of indoor and outdoor activities. Hike or bike more than 500 miles of trails and then spend the evening downtown catching a film, enjoying some ice cream, or shopping the boutiques. **Welcome to a location that offers the best of both worlds.**

PLACE

Welcome to a **VIBRANT, CARING COMMUNITY**

Life at CC has a distinct rhythm, with students, faculty, and staff all working on the Block Plan. Students engage with each other and their passions both inside and outside the classroom. **Our residential campus** requires students to live on campus for three years in traditional residence halls, small houses, themed houses, and apartments. **Our food community** sees students connecting over meals, coffee, farming, and cooking. CC students find each other engaging with and serving the community from orientation (through service-based Priddy Experiences) to block break service trips and community service-based organizations. With students, faculty, and staff from many backgrounds — ethnic, cultural, socioeconomic, political, religious, and geographic — and walks of life, we may be **one CC**, but we have **many faces**. **Spiritual life** allows students to explore, question, and worship in many different ways, while **Breaking Bread** provides the opportunity for students to informally engage with their professors outside of the classroom environment. Recognizing the value of creativity and impactful work, CC students and faculty are constantly at the forefront of **global and social innovation**, from the implementation of the Block Plan in 1970 to the new Innovation at CC program. **Finding your next step** will bring you the support of the Career Center and the entire Colorado College alumni network. **Welcome to a community of adventurous learners and passionate creatives.**

PEOPLE

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THE LIBERAL ARTS

“The only way [students] can prepare for the future — for jobs that don’t even exist right now — is to develop a nimble mind, comfort with different cultures and ideas, and skills at writing and speaking — all developed by the liberal arts.”

— Colorado College President
Jill Tiefenthaler



IMMERSIVE LEARNING

“Immersive learning is about putting aside your fears, stepping into a place, process, or subject, and seeing what you can do. It’s about failing. It’s about trying again, and doing better. It’s about staying in and with something until you begin to understand it.”

— **Aaron Cohick**, Printer of The Press at Colorado College



DISCUSSION-BASED CLASSES

“Discussion-based classes were one of the major aspects of Colorado College that drew me here. The beauty of the CC model of discussion is that it feels so organic; while oriented around a core theme, such classes represent an opportunity for students to relate the course material to their own experiences, perspectives, and prior knowledge, leading to a free flow of information that makes discovery not only possible, but inevitable.”

— **Steven Ortega '18**



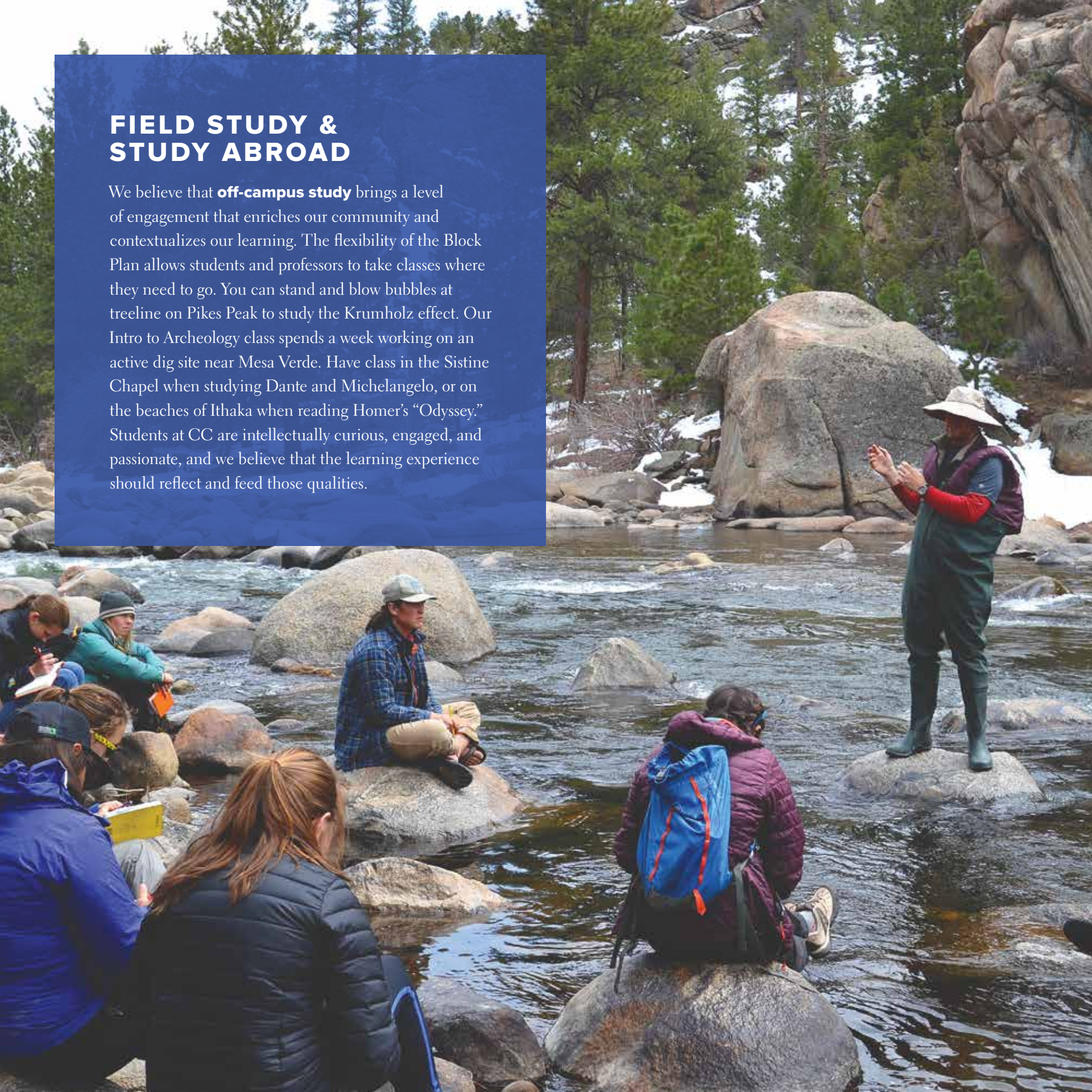
FACE-TO-FACE LEARNING

“Teaching at CC [over the last 50 years] stays interesting because students keep appearing with new interests and talents. In this decade students are environmentally aware and intersectional and committed to math and science, so my ancient languages and history fit into their plans in new ways, quite different from the turbulent experience of their grandparents in my generation back in the 1960s ... And conversations started in FYE sometimes resume in junior year or later.”

— **Owen Cramer**, Moses Giles Professor of Classics

FIELD STUDY & STUDY ABROAD

We believe that **off-campus study** brings a level of engagement that enriches our community and contextualizes our learning. The flexibility of the Block Plan allows students and professors to take classes where they need to go. You can stand and blow bubbles at treeline on Pikes Peak to study the Krumholz effect. Our Intro to Archeology class spends a week working on an active dig site near Mesa Verde. Have class in the Sistine Chapel when studying Dante and Michelangelo, or on the beaches of Ithaca when reading Homer's "Odyssey." Students at CC are intellectually curious, engaged, and passionate, and we believe that the learning experience should reflect and feed those qualities.

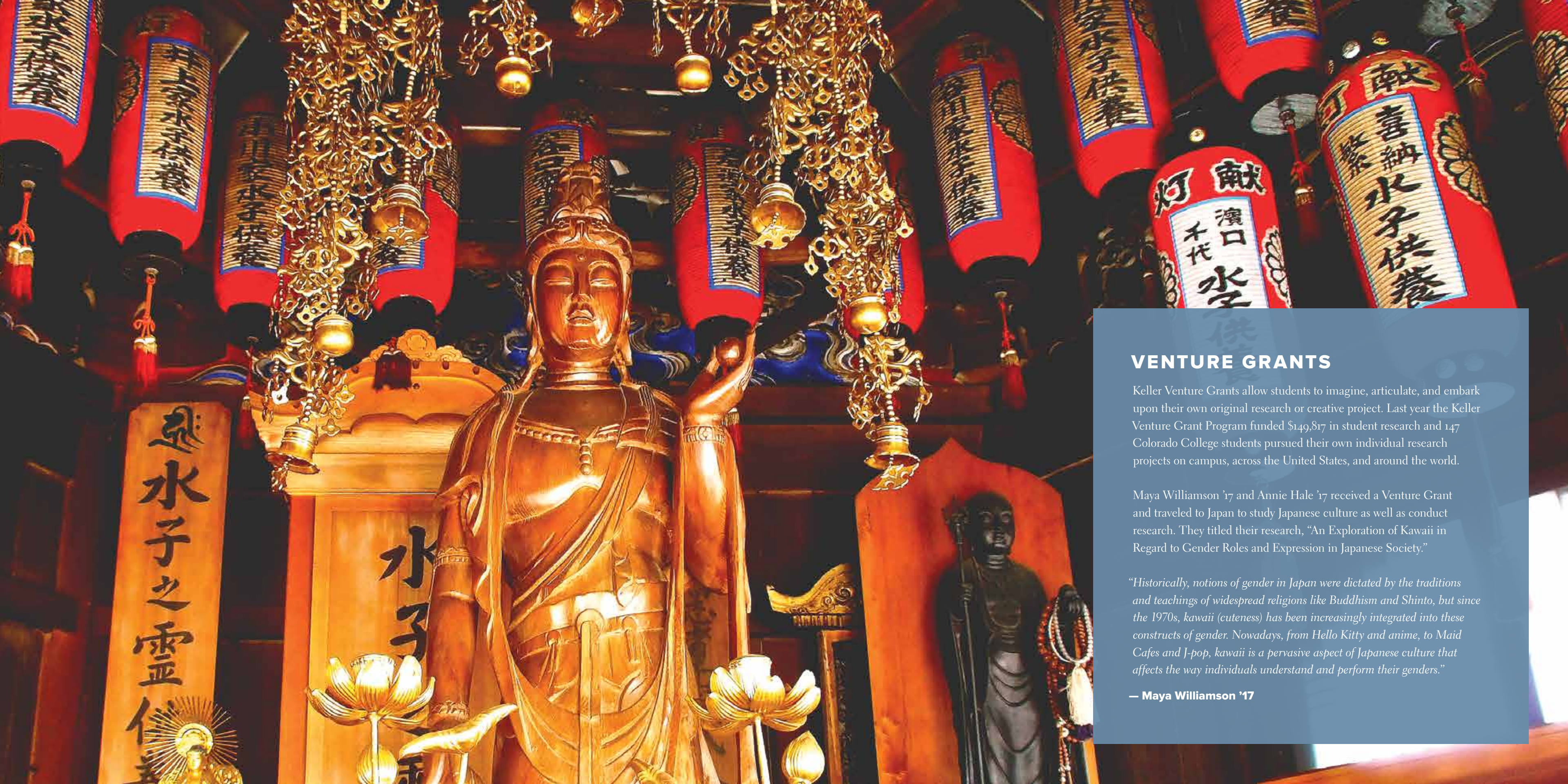


Over 80 percent of Colorado College students will study off campus for academic credit at least once during their undergraduate education here. This includes faculty-led blocks off campus and semester-long programs domestically and abroad.

"The Spanish in Salamanca study abroad program was an amazing immersive experience that not only taught me about the culture of the Spanish, but that allowed me to live it and begin to adapt it as my own. It was an opportunity for personal growth, independence, and development and, most importantly, a cultural experience that will stay with me for a lifetime."

— Avukile Zoya '17





VENTURE GRANTS

Keller Venture Grants allow students to imagine, articulate, and embark upon their own original research or creative project. Last year the Keller Venture Grant Program funded \$149,817 in student research and 147 Colorado College students pursued their own individual research projects on campus, across the United States, and around the world.

Maya Williamson '17 and Annie Hale '17 received a Venture Grant and traveled to Japan to study Japanese culture as well as conduct research. They titled their research, "An Exploration of Kawaii in Regard to Gender Roles and Expression in Japanese Society."

"Historically, notions of gender in Japan were dictated by the traditions and teachings of widespread religions like Buddhism and Shinto, but since the 1970s, kawaii (cuteness) has been increasingly integrated into these constructs of gender. Nowadays, from Hello Kitty and anime, to Maid Cafes and J-pop, kawaii is a pervasive aspect of Japanese culture that affects the way individuals understand and perform their genders."

— Maya Williamson '17

BLOCK BREAKS

A block break is a four-and-a-half-day hiatus between each block for students to relax, explore, and play.

“Block breaks allow you to explore opportunities both independently and with CC. During one block break, I learned how to backcountry ski on one of CC’s annually organized hut trips. During another I camped in Great Sand Dunes National Park with a few of my friends. Those four-and-a-half-day breaks are the perfect time to refresh your mind and body in preparation for the next block!”

— Jenna Wu '17



Students serving in the local community during a block break, helping to install outdoor artwork at the Penrose Public Library in downtown Colorado Springs.

Students on a hut trip to the Blue Lakes Yurt in the San Juan Mountains of Colorado. Photo by Neal Smeltzer '12.





PLACE

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THE ROCKY MOUNTAINS

“To have both an urban environment and the natural world close by seems like a dream come true. Colorado Springs is a whole city to explore! But then if you turn around you have beautiful, massive 14,000-foot mountains beckoning you to climb them.”

— Max Lewis '18



CC students relax, study, and catch up with each other on the Jerome P. McHugh Alumni Plaza. The plaza is surrounded by student apartments, The Preserve (an a la carte dining option), athletics fields, and gorgeous views of the Rocky Mountains.

COLORADO SPRINGS

Colorado Springs is the second-largest city in Colorado, and its metro area is home to 674,000 people. The heart of downtown Colorado Springs is just a 10-minute walk from campus, and students enjoy the many amenities of city living.



Baca Campus, Crestone, Colorado

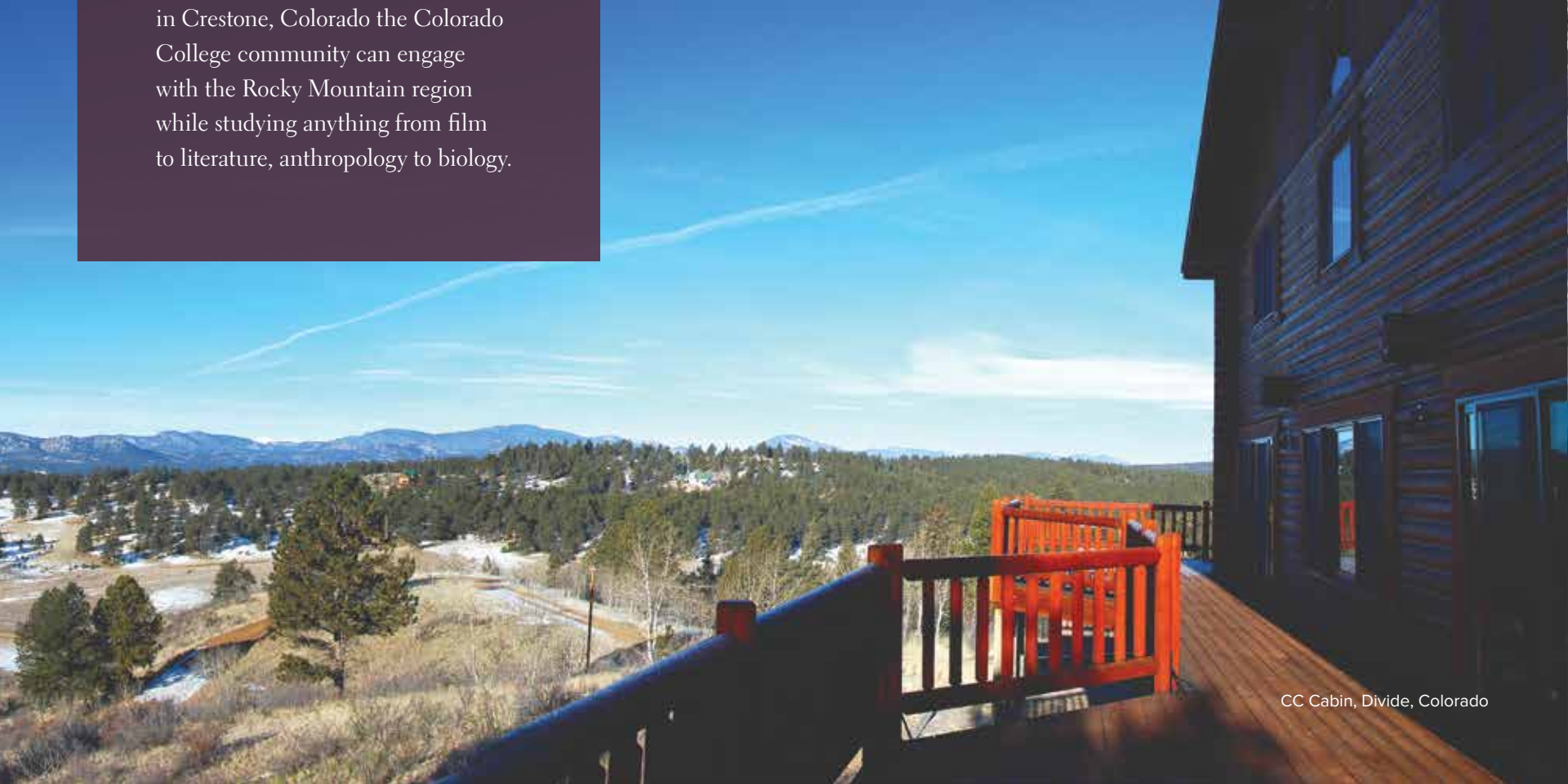
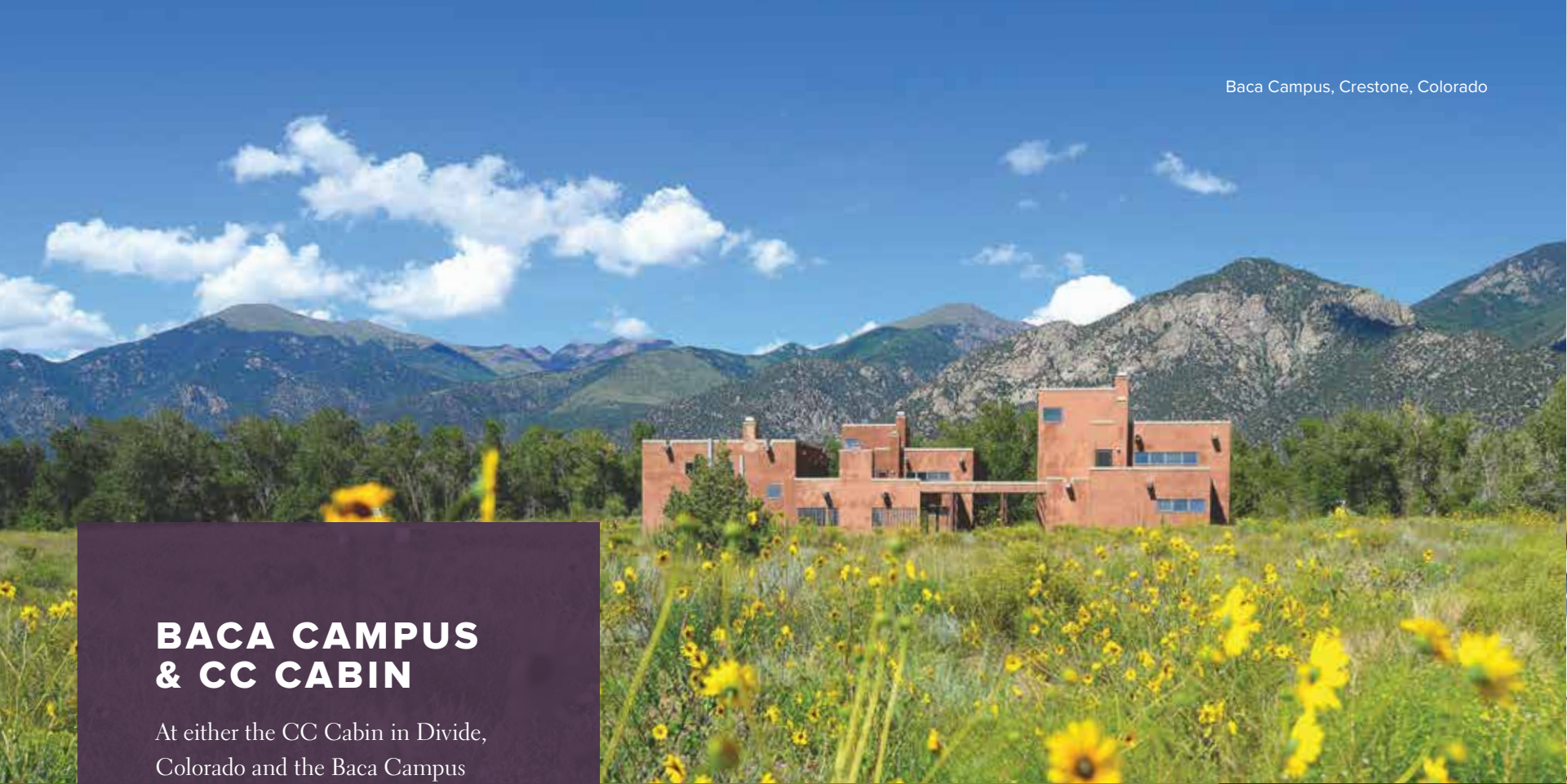
BACA CAMPUS & CC CABIN

At either the CC Cabin in Divide, Colorado and the Baca Campus in Crestone, Colorado the Colorado College community can engage with the Rocky Mountain region while studying anything from film to literature, anthropology to biology.

CC Cabin, Divide, Colorado

GATEWAY TO THE SOUTHWEST

First-year students in Associate Professor of Anthropology Mario Montañó's course Introduction to Cultural and Hispanic Folklore of the Southwest take a field trip to southern Colorado and northern New Mexico. The course encompasses several subjects related to the Hispanic folk art and cultural anthropology of the Southwest, including the study of Native-American culture and the Spanish Colonial occupation of the region.





OUTDOOR EDUCATION

The Colorado College Outdoor Education Department builds on the mission of the college by allowing students to enhance their leadership skills, acknowledge the importance of service, and gain a sense of stewardship through experiential opportunities in the outdoors.

Students in New Student Orientation conduct trail maintenance in the Pike National Forest in an area burned by the Waldo Canyon wildfire.



Tessa Greer '17 rafts during an Outdoor Recreation Committee trip with friends in Westwater Canyon on the Colorado River. Photo by Tricia Chan, assistant director of Outdoor Education.



"I feel incredibly lucky at CC to be surrounded by both the physical wonders of the region and by the student body's enthusiasm for the outdoors. The endless opportunities to get outside, make new friends, and learn something new in an outdoor setting, whether organized through the Outdoor Recreation Committee or independently through Outdoor Education's spirit, continue to complement my academic endeavors in a way unique to CC."

— Eileen Kitrick '17



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LIFE AT CC

“The Block Plan provides a unique opportunity for synchronized schedules. This means that everyone has the afternoon to explore their passions through clubs and activities. And they do! Colorado College students seek out ways to engage with the school, the Colorado Springs community, and the world at large. Whether you’re redirecting food waste with Colorado Springs Food Rescue or bringing people together with a Room 46 a cappella performance, you can bring your passion and get involved in this vibrant community under the rhythm of the Block Plan.”

— Madelene Travis '17



OUR COMMUNITY ORIENTED CAMPUS

“All schools say they are student-focused, but at CC, we MEAN it! The dedication that the Residential Life staff has to building positive relationships with students, so we can learn how to best help them succeed and have a memorable, engaging residential experience is beyond compare. Staff often have students over for home-cooked meals, will check in on them when sick, and do all sorts of other small things to make their on-campus experience as rewarding as possible. Heck, even the Dean of Students has around 300 meals a year with students. Show me any other school that can boast the same thing!”

— **Zak Kroger**, Residential Life and Program Coordinator



OUR FOOD COMMUNITY

Bon Appétit, CC's socially responsible food management service, strives to provide the college community with meals that are local, sustainable, delicious, and nutritious. Offering several dining locations on campus, Bon Appétit is also committed to serving faculty, students, and staff with seasonal organic options whenever available. This includes collaborating with the students in charge of CC's student garden to bring fresh, homegrown vegetables to Rastall Dining Hall.





ENGAGING WITH & SERVING THE COMMUNITY

The Collaborative for Community Engagement supports and facilitates a wide range of programming to support student interest and community need. From student-run organizations to a community-engaged leadership certificate program, the Collaborative promotes a community of common good and propels academic learning into the world.



ONE CC, MANY FACES

“The international and minority student community at CC was both my lodestar and anchor. The community gave me the support—sometimes logistical, mostly emotional—to take risks I would not have considered on my own.”

— Krithika Vachali '15

The annual Butler Center Awards Banquet, pictured, recognizes the service and achievements of several members of the Colorado College community through awards named after key figures in the college's history.

Students participate in a candlelight vigil in Shove Memorial Chapel in November 2014.

SPIRITUAL LIFE

Colorado College welcomes all people of faith, valuing freedom of religious expression and committing itself to religious pluralism. More than 25 spiritual communities have an active presence on campus to encourage students on their journey. Shove Memorial Chapel is non-denominational and houses many on-campus activities, including religious services of all denominations, drum circles, meditation groups, and the occasional all-campus emergency dance party.



THE BREAKING BREAD PROGRAM

“Faculty at CC are not just teachers, but mentors. Close interpersonal relationships are formed while learning and collaborating, and these are only strengthened while breaking bread together. The intimate atmosphere of sharing meals together builds trust and community far beyond our classroom environments.”

— **Emily Chan**, Associate Dean of Academic Programs & Strategic Initiatives, Associate Professor of Psychology

The Big Idea, pictured, is an annual pitch competition in which student teams come up with and develop startup ideas, culminating in a presentation to a panel of distinguished judges.



GLOBAL & SOCIAL INNOVATION

“At CC, the spirit of innovation and social entrepreneurship runs deep, and we are proud to be recognized as a Changemaker Campus by Ashoka U. Together we can build stronger, more vibrant communities and empower the future leaders of social change – those who are determined to find solutions to the world’s most pressing problems.”

— **Colorado College President
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Colorado College President Jill Tiefenthaler rides a “fat bike” manufactured by CC alumni.

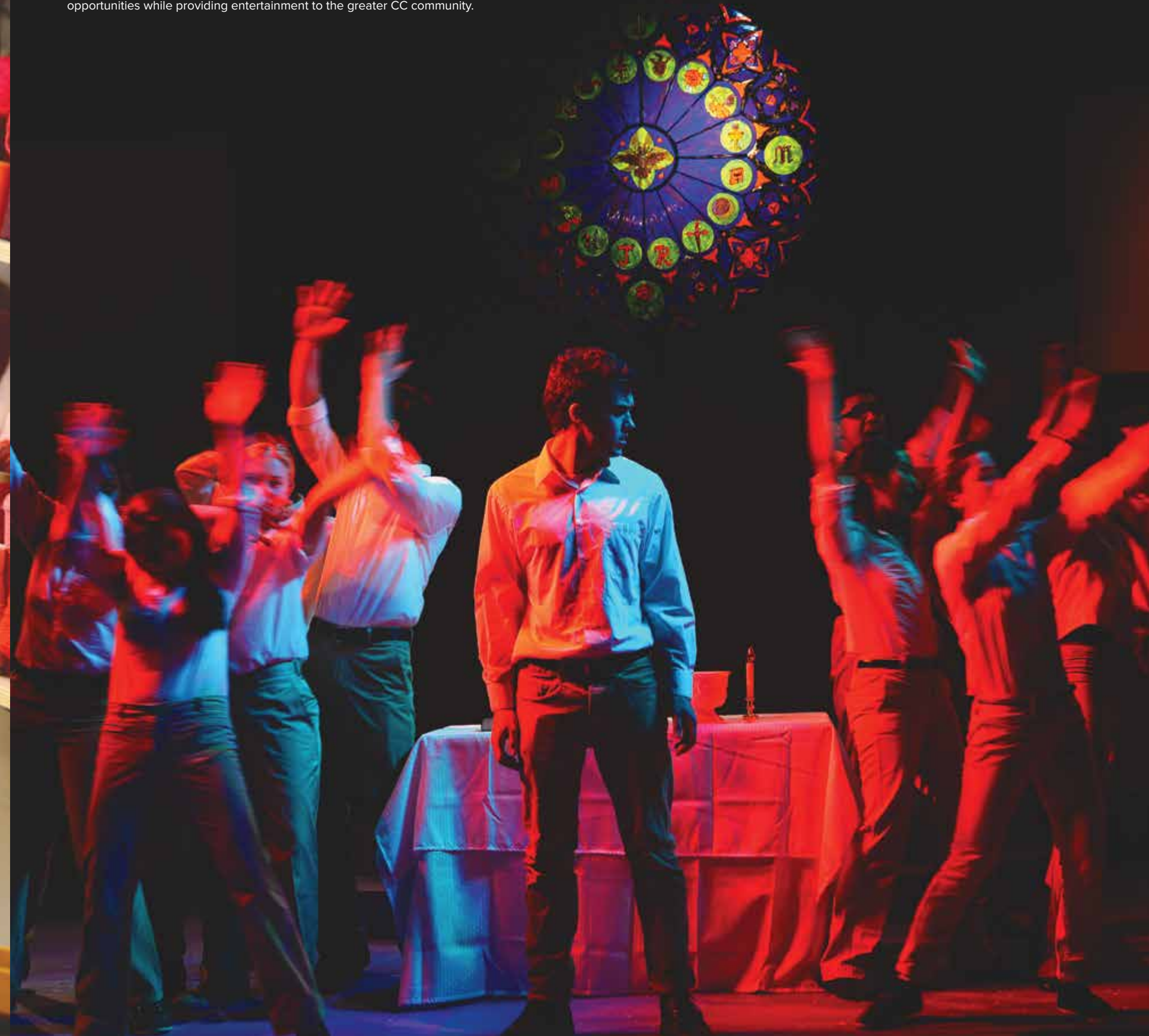


A student works on a weaving project in the Arts and Crafts Studio in Worner Campus Center. The Arts and Crafts Program is open to students who are interested in improving their artistic skills, and offers instruction and resources for working in ceramics, fiber arts, and metals.

THE ARTS

From the bi-annual Dance Workshop to pottery classes to theatre and performance, Colorado College offers virtually any artistic endeavor you can think of. With a variety of performance venues, including the Edith Kinney Gaylord Cornerstone Arts Center, CC facilitates all avenues of creativity for both its campus and local communities.

Students perform in Theatre Workshops's "Bare," a musical addressing issues of sexuality and personal identity. Theatre Workshop is a student-run, student-directed, student-produced theatre company designed to offer students artistic opportunities while providing entertainment to the greater CC community.



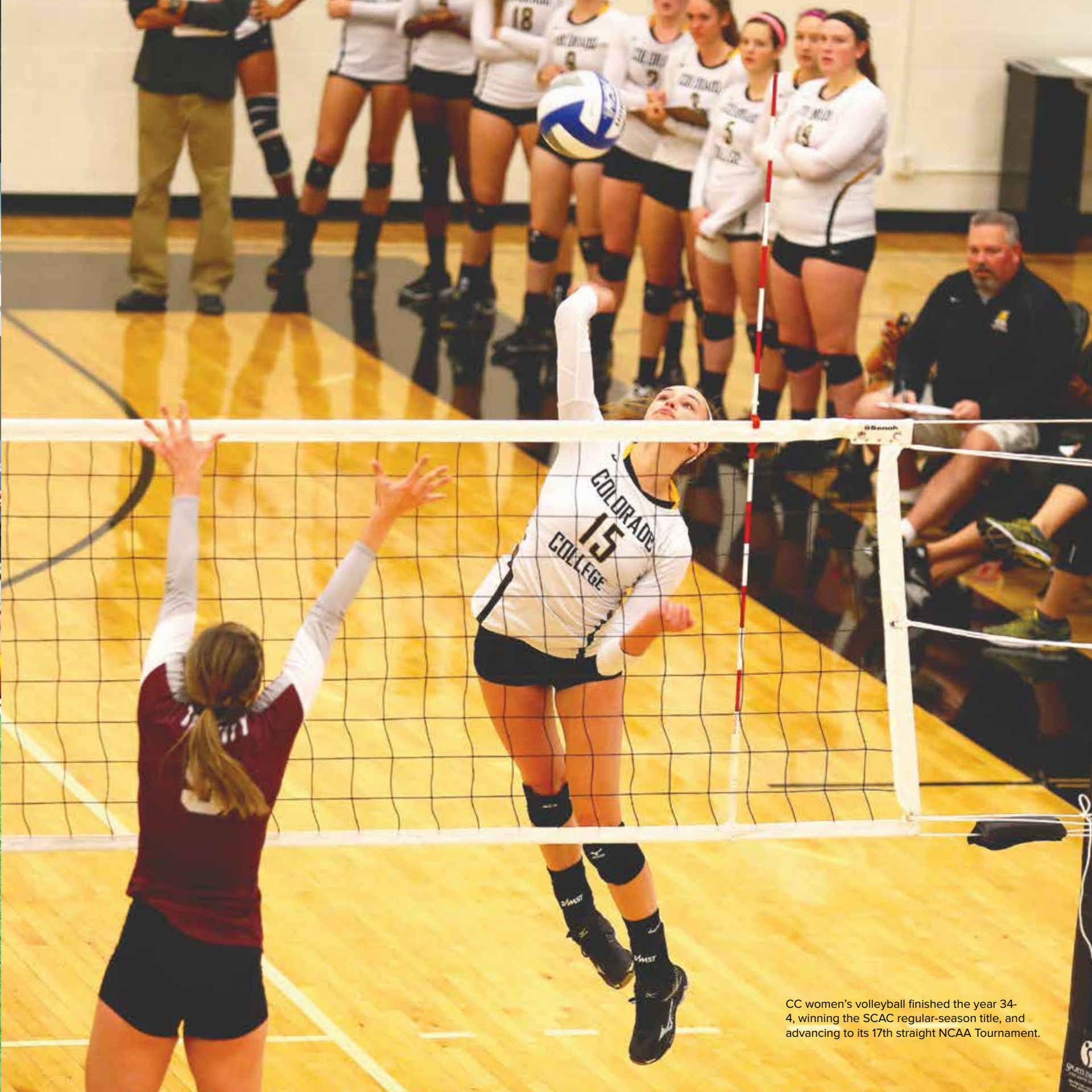
A cyclist is shown from the back, wearing a black and yellow cycling jersey with "COLORADO COLLEGE CYCLING TEAM" printed on the back. The cyclist is also wearing a black helmet with "5-WORKS" visible. The background features a scenic mountain landscape with a winding road, a car with headlights on, and large, reddish-brown rock formations under a clear sky.

TIGER PRIDE

The CC Tigers compete in three national conferences at multiple levels of the NCAA, from Division I men's ice hockey and women's soccer to Division III basketball, lacrosse, cross country, and swimming and diving, to name a few. In total, CC fields 17 different varsity teams. Students also play club and intramural sports.



Last year CC student-athletes won awards for character, scholarship, and citizenship; for excelling in Spanish; and two received fellowships to work at public-interest organizations.



CC women's volleyball finished the year 34-4, winning the SCAC regular-season title, and advancing to its 17th straight NCAA Tournament.



FINDING YOUR NEXT STEP

“As a graduate, I was nervous about what would come after—getting a job right out of college seemed like a daunting task. However, I secured a job before I left Colorado College, and after graduation, the Career Center is still there to help me find future career paths.”

— Devon Burnham '15

ACADEMIC PROGRAMS

44 MAJORS

Anthropology
Art (*Art History or Studio Art*)
Asian Studies
Biology – Organismal and Ecology
Biology – Molecular
Biochemistry
Chemistry
Classics
Classics-English
Classics-History-Politics
Comparative Literature
Computer Science
Dance
Economics and Business
Education
English (*Creative Writing, Film, or Literature*)
Environmental Program (*Environmental Science or Environmental Policy*)
Feminist and Gender Studies
Film and Media Studies
French and Francophone Studies
Geology
German
History
History – Philosophy
History – Political Science
Independently Designed Major
International Political Economy
Italian and Italian Studies
Mathematics
Mathematical Economics
Music
Neuroscience
Philosophy
Physics
Political Science
Psychology
Race, Ethnicity, and Migration Studies
Religion
Romance Languages (*Pick two: French, Italian, or Spanish*)
Russian and Eurasian Studies
Sociology
Southwest Studies
Spanish and Hispanic Studies
Theatre

For a full list of offerings, visit:

www.coloradocollege.edu/majors16

34 THEMATIC MINORS*

*Many departmental majors are also offered as a departmental minor program.

African Studies
African-American Studies
Arabic and Islamic Studies
Arts of London and Florence (*an ACM Program*)
Asian Studies
Central American Culture and Society (*an ACM Program*)
Concepts of Human Nature
Contemporary French Studies
Environmental Issues
Feminist and Gender Studies
German Studies
Global Health
India Studies (*an ACM Program*)
Italian Studies
Journalism
Latin American Studies
Linguistics
Medieval Studies
Mediterranean Studies
Modern Greece and Its Background
Museum Studies
Non-Violence
North American Studies
Performance Design
Psychoanalysis: Theories of the Unconscious
Race, Ethnicity, and Migration Studies
Renaissance Studies
Resource Systems in the American West
Revolutions
The Ancient World
The Arts: Theory and Practice
The Book
The Luso-Brazilian Studies
Urban Studies

PRE-PROFESSIONAL PROGRAMS

Pre-Business
Pre-Law
3-2 Engineering
Pre-Med
Pre-Dentistry
Pre-Veterinary
Pre-Physical Therapy

Perseid meteor shower over Baca Campus.



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Class of 2020 ADMIT RATES

15.8%

OVERALL ADMIT RATE

31.4%
Early Decision I / II

17.4%
Early Action

6.2%
Regular Action

Class of 2020
530
Enrolled Students

Total CC Students:
2,061
2015–16

25%

Students
of Color

10%

International
Students

APPLICATION DEADLINES

First-year Applicants

Early Decision 1 — Nov. 10

Early Action — Nov. 10

Early Decision 2 — Jan. 15

Regular Action — Jan. 15

Transfer Applicants

Spring Admission — Mar. 1

Fall Admission — Nov. 1

Cost of Attendance for 2015–16

Tuition	\$50,472
Student Activity Fee	\$420
Room Allowance	\$6,902 (double room in residence hall)
Board Allowance	\$4,766 (meal plan C)
Books and Supplies	\$1,248 (estimate)
Personal/Travel	\$2,592 (non-Colorado residents) \$1,436 (Colorado residents)
TOTAL COST	\$66,400 (non-Colorado residents) \$65,244 (Colorado residents)

FINANCIAL AID

We guarantee to meet 100 percent of a student's demonstrated need.

We award more than \$42 million in financial aid each year. Approximately 49% of the Class of 2020 received financial aid, with the average need-based package being \$50,369.

Visit www.coloradocollege.edu/financialaid for our net price calculator, financial aid deadlines, and information on merit scholarships.

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