Senior Thesis Award Announcement

The Robert Redford Conservancy for Southern California Sustainability (RRC) is launching an initiative at Pitzer College to support students who are writing senior theses or capstone projects integrated with our program theme: **Land Use and Climate Justice**. Awards are intended for Pitzer students who align their work with RRC priorities. Topics must center environmental issues within Southern California, and preferably the Inland Empire, but in some cases, projects focused on environmental sustainability outside the region or internationally may be funded. Students from any discipline are welcome to apply. The deadline for applications is April 3,2023. A second call for awards will be made this Spring.

- $750 for a thesis with an applied component involving an RRC partner or project. This must be determined in conversation with the RRC director or staff.
- $500 for a thesis or project related thematically to RRC priorities.

Awards will be competitive depending on the number of applicants. All awardees will be required to participate in evaluation. Decisions regarding thesis awards will be made by committee and closely linked to the priorities of the Conservancy. Course awards will be processed as stipends and will generally be paid upon successful completion of the work. All funded work and related materials, if appropriate, will be given to the RRC for archiving as well as posted on scholarship@claremont.edu.

We welcome applications from students in multiple disciplines, including the arts, humanities, social sciences, mathematics, and sciences.

To discuss pending ideas, please email susan_phillips@pitzer.edu. To submit an application, email rrc@pitzer.edu with a single PDF attachment consisting of your name, major, description of the project or area of interest, names of thesis readers, semester to be completed, and brief statement about your interest in undertaking the work. Applicants should describe how projects or thesis papers fit into longer term educational or career plans.