



USC Dornsife

**DISCOVER YOUR
PASSIONS**

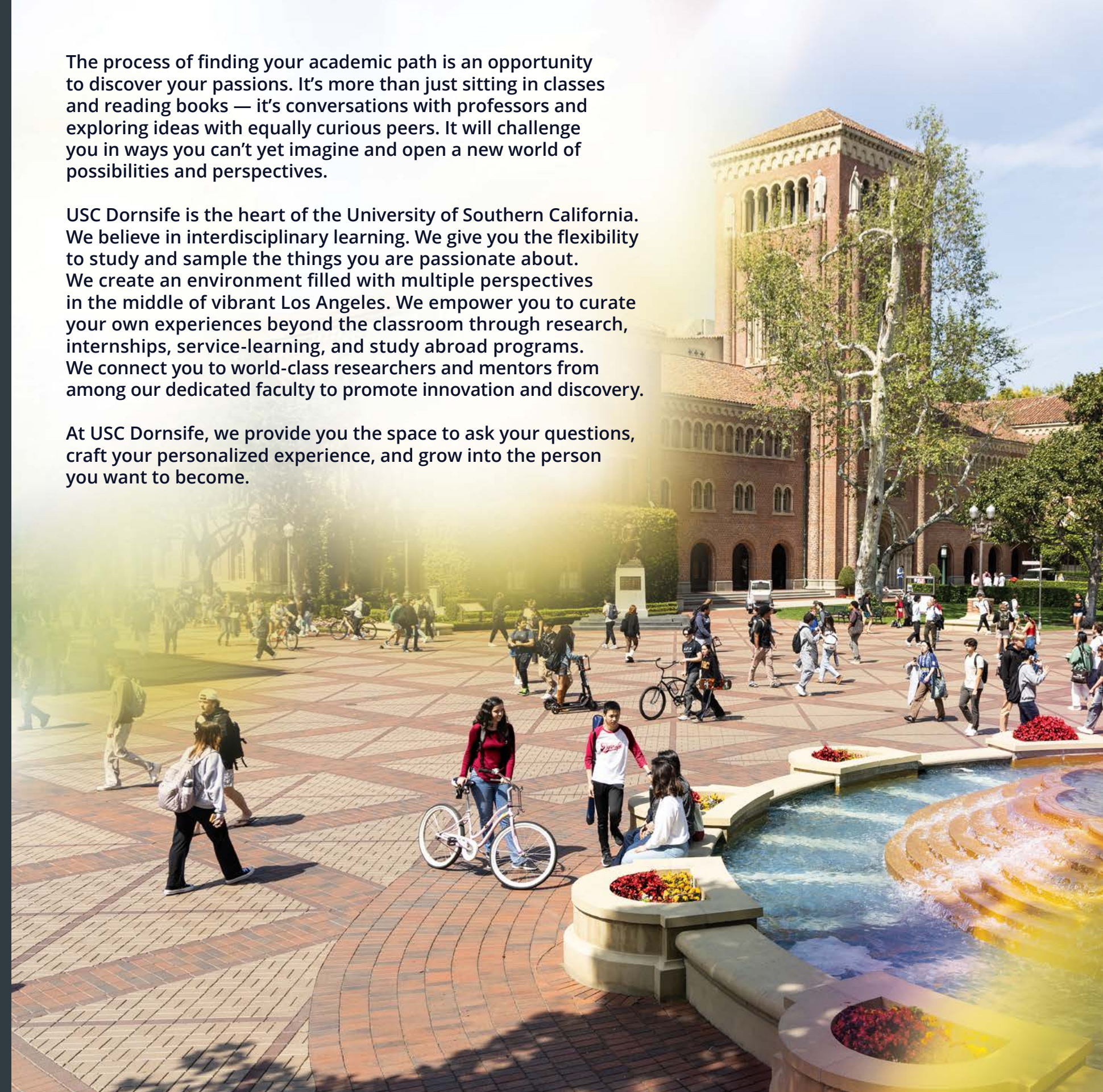
**ENGAGE AND
EXPERIENCE**

**BECOME A
CHANGEMAKER**

The process of finding your academic path is an opportunity to discover your passions. It's more than just sitting in classes and reading books — it's conversations with professors and exploring ideas with equally curious peers. It will challenge you in ways you can't yet imagine and open a new world of possibilities and perspectives.

USC Dornsife is the heart of the University of Southern California. We believe in interdisciplinary learning. We give you the flexibility to study and sample the things you are passionate about. We create an environment filled with multiple perspectives in the middle of vibrant Los Angeles. We empower you to curate your own experiences beyond the classroom through research, internships, service-learning, and study abroad programs. We connect you to world-class researchers and mentors from among our dedicated faculty to promote innovation and discovery.

At USC Dornsife, we provide you the space to ask your questions, craft your personalized experience, and grow into the person you want to become.



FIND YOUR COMMUNITY

An important part of the college experience is the community that surrounds you. Learning, discovery, and growth don't happen alone. From the discussions you'll have in your classes to the student organizations you'll participate in on campus, you'll create lasting memories by connecting with peers who will become lifelong friends. The "Fight On!" spirit of the Trojan Family will support you, both at USC Dornsife and beyond.

Students gather in USC's
Dauterive Hall

THE DORNSIFE DIFFERENCE

36
ACADEMIC
DEPARTMENTS

66
RESEARCH CENTERS
& INSTITUTES

90+
MAJORS

17
AVERAGE NUMBER
OF STUDENTS
PER CLASS

~500
TENURED &
TENURE-TRACK
FACULTY

50+
STUDY ABROAD
PROGRAMS ACROSS
THE GLOBE

90+
MINORS

8:1
STUDENT TO
FACULTY RATIO



HANDS-ON RESEARCH

You'll be right in the action. You'll engage in cutting-edge research alongside world-renowned faculty who are making major breakthroughs. You'll grapple with the issues you care about most (with equally passionate peers) in a supportive and open-minded environment.

Investigating how music education can impact neural development in children. Traveling to the Netherlands to better understand how urban development can exist alongside ecological conservation. Identifying biomarkers in liquid biopsy for cancer detection. Or conducting case studies of near-crisis events to examine the factors that lead small-scale occurrences to escalate to international conflict.

At USC Dornsife, you'll lead the charge in uncovering new knowledge, expanding our understanding of the world.



A student examines an ancient figurine of the Egyptian goddess Isis at USC Dornsife's Archaeology Research Center.



A DYNAMIC DESTINATION

Step off campus into the beating heart of Los Angeles. Here, you'll discover world-class museums, foods of every flavor, Pacific Ocean beaches, and people from all walks of life. As a USC Dornsife student, your education will connect you to a city like no other, where culture and innovation blend to provide you with so much to explore.

MAKE A DIFFERENCE

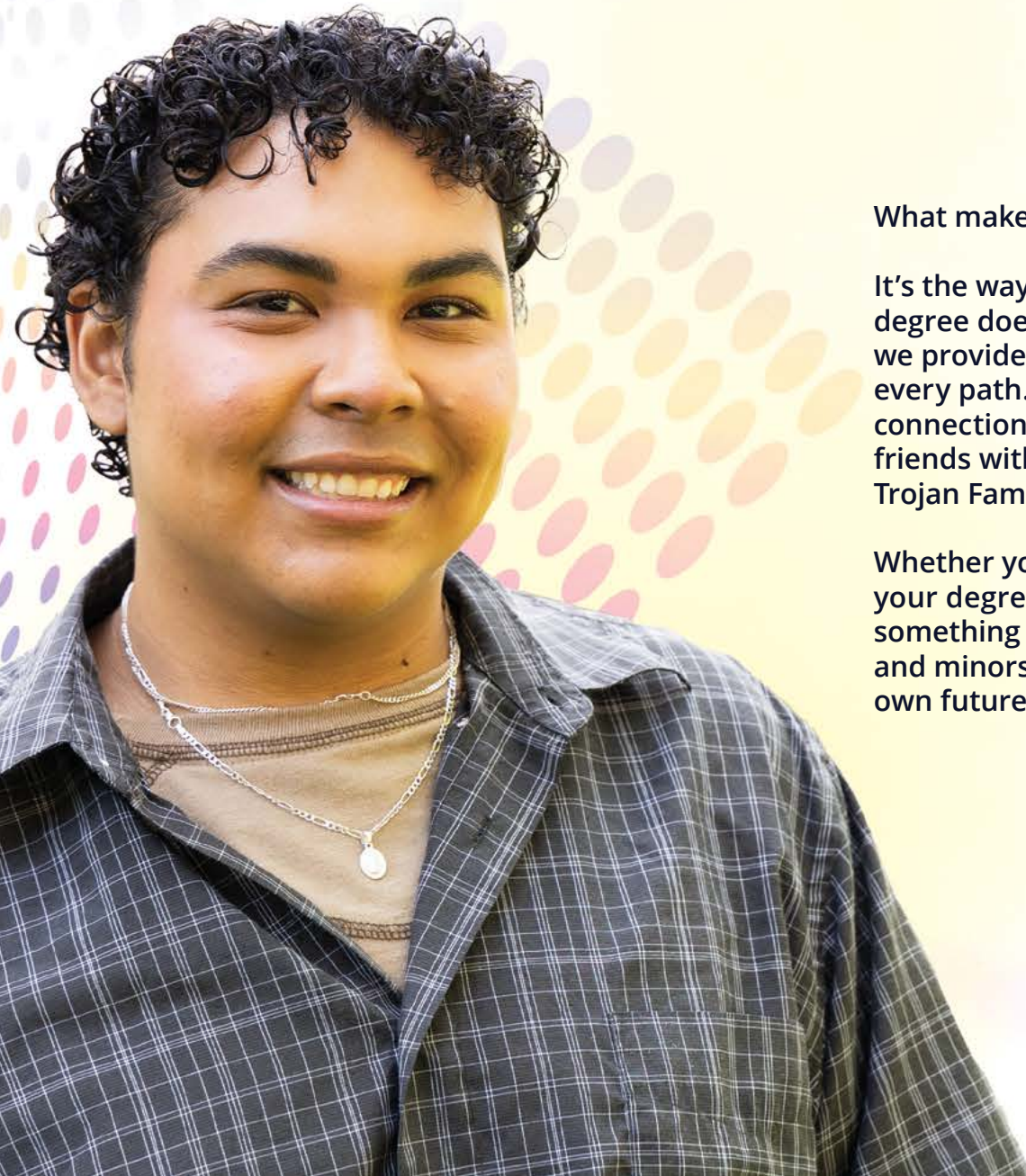
Through our award-winning service-learning center, the Joint Educational Project, you can participate in community-focused courses and activities that allow you to connect with others in a meaningful way. Tutor local elementary school children to awaken their love of learning. Help unhoused people prepare for job interviews and find pathways to self-sufficiency. Provide assistance to healthcare professionals in local medical clinics and hospitals. While these experiences are all about giving, you'll receive plenty in return — from lasting connections with social impact leaders to tremendous confidence in your own capacity for creating positive change.



The USC Joint Educational Project hosts an after-school workshop with local fifth graders. Here, a USC Dornsife undergraduate helps a student build a mini hydrogen model car.



PREPARE FOR YOUR FUTURE SELF

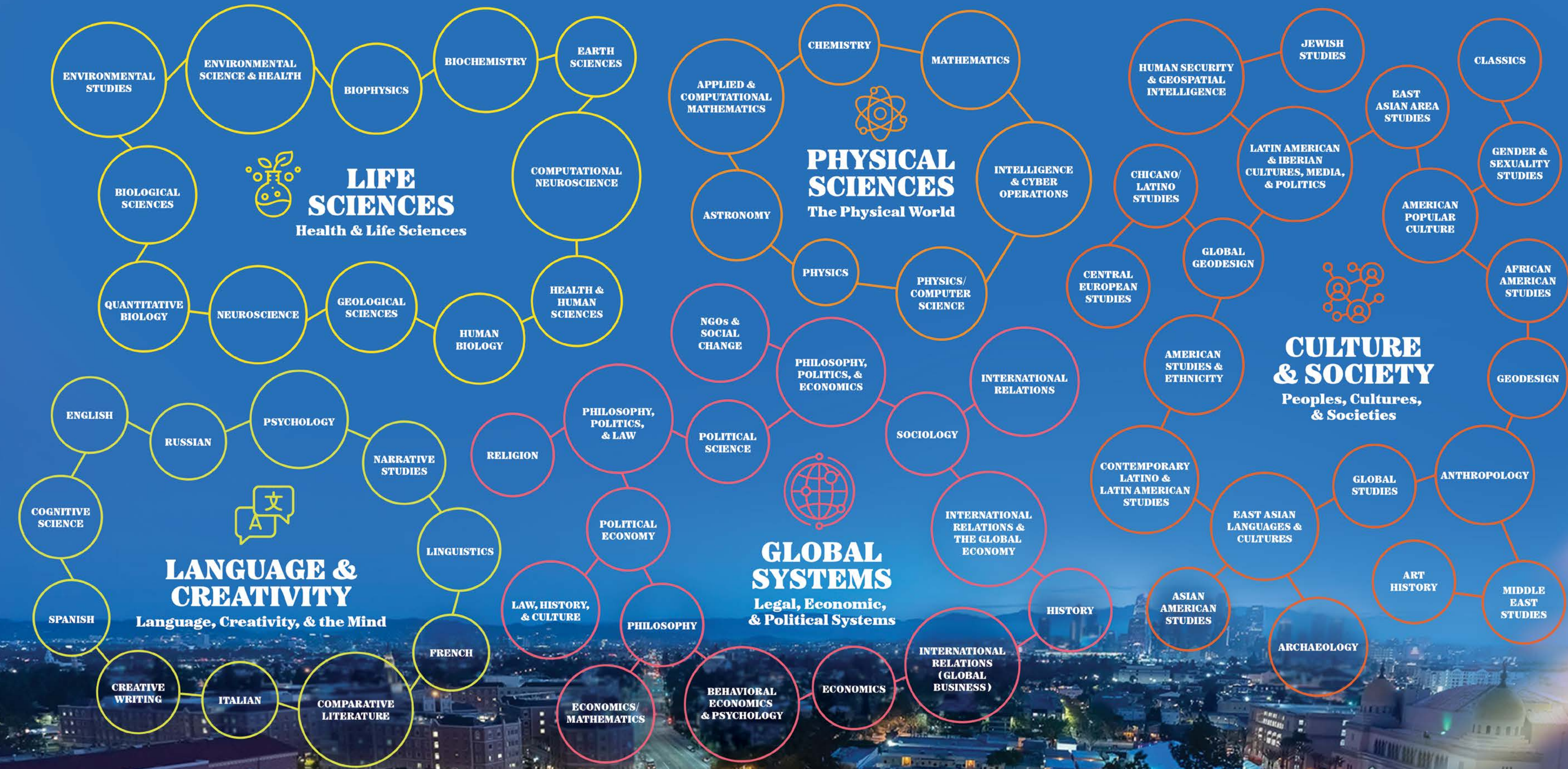


What makes a USC Dornsife education so valuable?

It's the way we prepare you for tomorrow. Your Dornsife degree doesn't set you up for only one professional path; we provide you with the skills that will prepare you for every path. You'll learn how to think fluidly and make connections between divergent ideas, all while making friends within a community that is proud to call itself the Trojan Family. And that's going to be your big advantage.

Whether you know exactly what you want to do with your degree or you're open to exploration, there's something at Dornsife for you. With nearly 200 majors and minors offered, the possibilities to design your own future-focused education are endless.

JUAN
American Studies and Ethnicity major





ANDREA

Biochemistry major (Pre-Med)
History minor

“ This school feels like one giant community. USC Dornsife treats each student like an individual rather than a number. Whether it’s having coffee chats with history professors, doing chemistry research on OLEDs, or meeting with the pre-health advising team, the entire faculty takes the time to get to know who you are. ”



KYLE

Computational Linguistics major
East Asian Languages and Cultures minor

“ At USC Dornsife, the direction is clear, but the destination is not. We’re scholars, students, and researchers exploring how to improve society. It’s amazing how people from different backgrounds can come together to add deep and thoughtful layers of understanding. We use interdisciplinary problem-solving as a medium to bring people together. ”



CICERO

Philosophy, Politics and Law major (Pre-Law)
Entrepreneurship minor

“ My education at USC Dornsife has prepared me for the rigor of being a lawyer, teaching me to work effectively through critical thinking while managing my time efficiently. More importantly, USC Dornsife has inspired me to give back to society, using what I learned during my education to pay it forward for the betterment of others. ”



RUFO

Economics major (Pre-Med)

“ At USC Dornsife, I have access to unparalleled opportunities for research, study abroad, and internships, which have allowed me to gain practical experience and expand my horizons beyond the classroom. The faculty at USC Dornsife are exceptional; their mentorship and guidance have been invaluable in my academic journey. ”



EXPLORE BEYOND BORDERS

Imagine immersing yourself in the French language in Paris. Enhancing your environmental studies major with research in the Galápagos Islands. Spending time after class volunteering at a hospital in Botswana.

When you study abroad with USC Dornsife, you're not just a tourist. You're an engaged global citizen, determined to know a place deeply and leave it better than you found it. You'll make meaningful connections with people and cultures, grapple with uniquely challenging questions, and use what you've learned to succeed outside of your comfort zone. Whether you take a full academic year overseas or a short-term option like a Maymester, you'll return with a greater understanding of the world — and yourself.

A student intern at the U.S.
Department of Education
Washington, D.C.



Sea turtle conservation
Cape Town, South Africa



Visiting the ruins of San Ignacio Mini
Argentina



Hiking the Tongariro Crossing
New Zealand



Enjoying Park Güell
Barcelona, Spain



USC Student Bookpackers
New Orleans, Louisiana

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The community at Dornsife has made the campus feel like a second home for me. You will find other students with your interests, no matter how niche, but also students with backgrounds and ideas vastly different from yours, which broaden your perspective and make for invigorating class discussions.

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AIKO
Biological Sciences major



LIMITLESS SUPPORT

From the day you arrive on campus, we provide you with unparalleled support. Working with advisors who truly care about your success, you'll graduate with the knowledge and experience to stand out among the most competitive candidates for in-demand careers or graduate school.

Academic Advising

With countless ways to structure your education, figuring out your Dornsife path can be exciting... and maybe a little overwhelming. Dedicated first-year advisors will help you navigate the broad range of majors, minors, and pre-professional emphases, while departmental advisors ensure that you learn about hands-on opportunities like internships, research, and study abroad so you get the most from your degree program.

Career Advising

Dornsife Career Pathways collaborates with advisors, faculty, and Trojan alumni to help connect the dots between your academic interests and your future goals. From helping you secure the right internship to workshopping your resume so it shines, we'll help you prepare for life after USC.

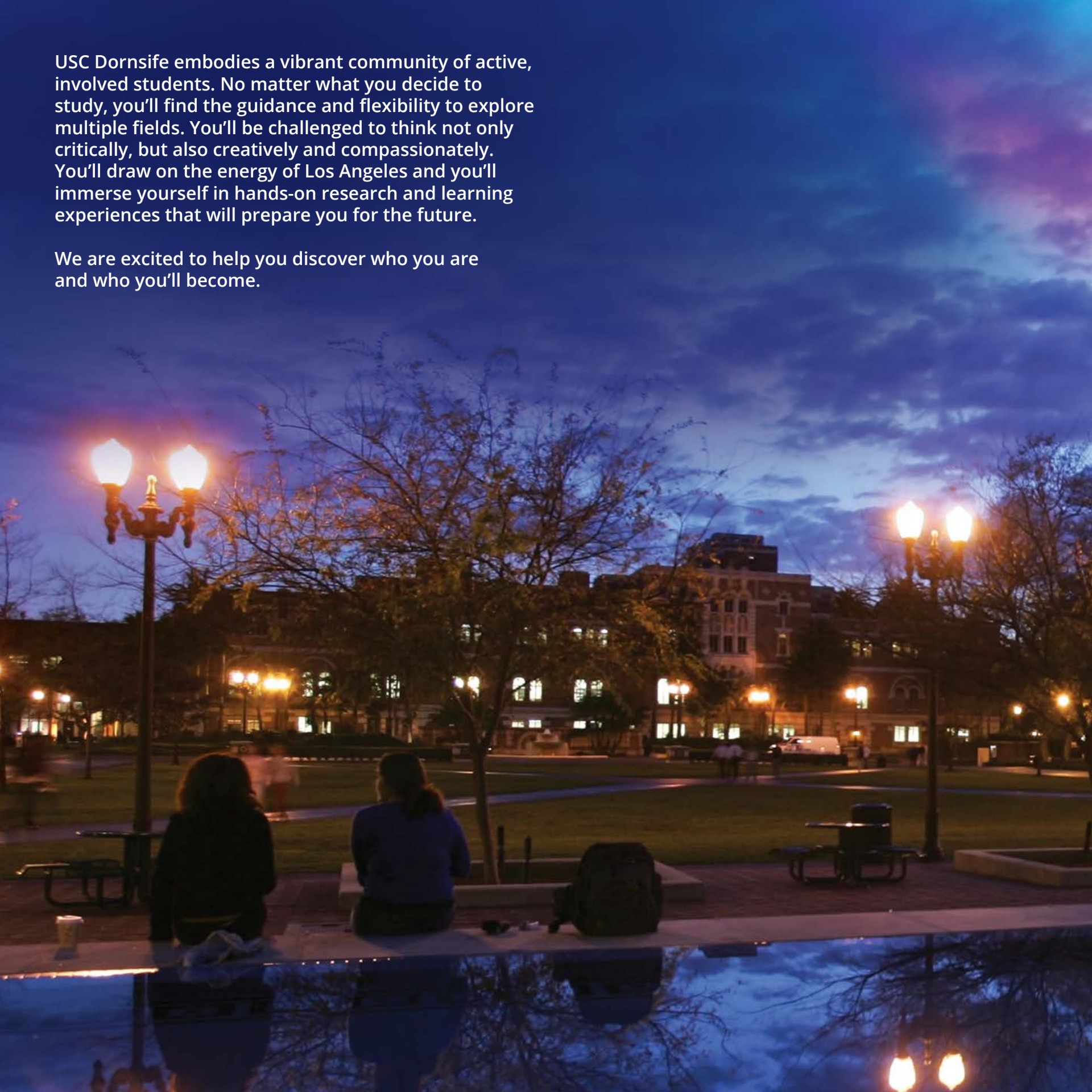
Pre-Professional Advising

If you're thinking about continuing your education through graduate school, law school, or a health professional school, our pre-professional advisors can help you become the strongest candidate possible. We'll work with you to design a tailored academic plan, target the programs and co-curricular experiences that are right for you, and put together a strong application.



USC Dornsife embodies a vibrant community of active, involved students. No matter what you decide to study, you'll find the guidance and flexibility to explore multiple fields. You'll be challenged to think not only critically, but also creatively and compassionately. You'll draw on the energy of Los Angeles and you'll immerse yourself in hands-on research and learning experiences that will prepare you for the future.

We are excited to help you discover who you are and who you'll become.



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