Keck Graduate Institute (KGI)
A Member of The Claremont Colleges

About KGI
In 1997, Founding President Henry E. Riggs conceived the idea of KGI, and through a generous $50 million grant from the W.M. Keck Foundation, KGI was born as a member of The Claremont Colleges. Since 2003, under the leadership of President Sheldon Schuster, KGI continues to grow both in terms of its number of enrolled students and in its reputation for excellence.

KGI offers innovative postgraduate degrees and certificates that integrate life and health sciences, business, engineering, pharmacy, and genetics. With a focus on team projects and hands-on industry experiences, KGI provides pathways for students to become leaders within healthcare and the applied life sciences.

KGI consists of two schools: Henry E. Riggs School of Applied Life Sciences, and School of Pharmacy and Health Sciences.

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• Sheldon M. Schuster, President
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• Sofia Toro, Dean of Admissions and Financial Aid
• Cheryl Merritt, Assistant Vice President of Human Resources and Employee Engagement

KGI Statistics
• 657 students enrolled 2022–2023

Gender breakdown:
- Female: 68.5%
- Male: 31%
- Unknown: .5%

Ethnic breakdown:
- Asian: 35%
- White: 21%
- Hispanic / Latino: 17%
- Non-resident Alien: 8%
- Two or More Races: 8%
- Black / African American: 7%
- Unknown: 3%
- American Indian / Native Alaskan: .5%
- Pacific Islander: .1%

Average age of KGI students: 25

Total number of KGI alumni: 1,952 with 2,182 earned degrees

Campus Map
The Claremont Colleges

The Claremont Colleges is a consortium of five undergraduate liberal arts colleges and two graduate institutions reminiscent of the Oxford-Cambridge model. The undergraduate colleges include Pomona College, Scripps College, Claremont McKenna College, Harvey Mudd College, and Pitzer College. The two graduate institutions include Claremont Graduate University and KGI. Each has its own campus, its own students and faculty, and its own distinctive mission. The seven independent institutions, located on more than 560 acres of land, offer rigorous curricula, small classes, distinguished professors, and personalized instruction in a vibrant residential college community that provides intensive interaction between students and faculty.

Accreditations

KGI’s degree programs are regionally accredited by the Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC). The Doctor of Pharmacy degree is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education. The Master of Science in Human Genetics and Genetic Counseling degree is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Genetic Counseling.

Top 10 Employers of KGI Alumni

- Amgen, Thousand Oaks, CA
- Genentech, Bay Area, CA
- Gilead Sciences, various
- BioMarin Pharmaceutical, Inc., various
- Kite Pharma, various
- Regeneron Pharmaceuticals, Inc., Tarrytown, NY
- CVS Health, various
- Kaiser Permanente, various
- Illumina, San Diego, CA
- Thermo Fisher Scientific, San Diego, CA

KGI Academic Programs

Access full descriptions at kgi.edu/programs

Research

- Master of Science in Applied Life Sciences | MS
- Master of Science in Translational Medicine | MSTM
- Doctor of Philosophy in Applied Life Sciences | PhD

Industry

- Certificate in Applied Genomics | CAG
- Certificate in Bioscience Management | CBM
- Master of Business and Science | MBS
- Master of Engineering in Biopharmaceutical Processing | MEng
- Master of Science in Human Genetics and Genomic Data Analytics | MSGDA
- Master of Science in Medical Device Engineering | MSMDE

Healthcare

- Master of Science in Human Genetics and Genetic Counseling | MSGC
- Master of Science in Community Medicine | MSCM
- Doctor of Pharmacy | PharmD
- Postbaccalaureate Pre-PA Certificate | PPA
- Postbaccalaureate Premedical Certificate | PPC
- Occupational Therapy Doctorate | OTD
- Master of Science in Physician Assistant Studies | MSPA

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