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(West)

Mills College

Summary

Mills College is a private institution that was founded in 1852. It has a total undergraduate enrollment of 957, its setting is urban, and the campus size is 135 acres. It utilizes a semester-based academic calendar. Mills College's ranking in the 2012 edition of Best Colleges is Regional Universities (West), 5. Its tuition and fees are \$39,264 (2011-12).

Mills College is a small women's school in Oakland, Calif., on the east shore of the San Francisco Bay. In 1852, workers who traveled west needed a school to educate their daughters, so they founded Mills, which became the first women's college west of the Rocky Mountains. Today, the school offers more than 50 liberal arts majors to its roughly 1,500 undergraduate students. Both women and men may enroll in any of Mills' nearly 15 graduate majors, which include the highly ranked Fine Arts program.

Outside the classroom, students can attend events such as the annual Earth Day Fair, visit the Mills Art Museum, or join any of the more than 50 student organizations. Mills also offers recreational opportunities through fitness classes, intramural sports, and the Cyclones varsity athletic teams. The Cyclones compete in the NCAA Division III California Pacific Conference, with cross country, rowing, soccer, swimming, tennis, track and field, and volleyball teams. Most of Mills's notable alumni are musicians, including guitarist and producer Noah Georgeson, who has worked with acts such as Joanna Newsom and Devendra Banhart.

Quick Stats

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Oakland, CA 94613

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Phone: (510) 430-2255

2011-2012 Tuition

\$39,264 tuition and fees

Students

957 enrolled

100% female

Admissions

Mar. 1 application deadline

57.3% accepted