

Matea

The world of Pacific Lutheran University

As I'm entering the campus of Pacific Lutheran University I see right away artistic and old fashioned dull brick buildings with the mixture colors of red and brown. They have a character that sets them apart from modern campuses. As I sit on the faded green benches and look at my surroundings I notice the ginormous old hollowed trees all around me taller than the buildings. Some have three trees in one; there are also small trees with less character but the one thing that makes them so beautiful is the bright vibrant yellow, orange, red, and brown leaf still trying to fight its way to staying on the last branch. Continuing to sit on my favorite green bench I'm seeing people who aren't even students freely walking around campus some of them are walking around with their children laughing and playing and others are older folks walking their dogs around letting them play in the fresh grass I can see the families of squirrels speeding up, down, and all around these beautiful trees for the trees are their homes, they look so happy knowing they have a safe place to be. The campus has a sense of calm and quietness all around.

I can see all the students either walking around campus discussing the importance of the philosophical question, I see students riding bikes while having their Ipads attached to their handles while hearing the sounds of the playful dings from the all time famous game on campus Pokemon Go. Sitting here I have students walk by asking me the same question "Whatcha writing over there?" I giggle to myself and kindly respond back

with “ I’m making an essay so they allow me here at Hogwarts school of wizardry” and they all give me the same look as if I’m looney but also while laughing at my joke.

As the students go along with their day I continue to make my way around campus. I start to come to an area of dorm rooms just from the outside of course, I’m sure if I walked into someone's dorm room they’d shout at me and say “ get outta here psycho!”. They seem small and dainty... some windows covered in funny stickers , some with curtains that looked like small doilies that you’d see at a tea party.

Continuing to make my way around campus I seem to find myself caught in a cool breeze passing by as it blows my curls back touching my neck. I feel the baby hairs breezing down my spine as I breath in the cool air around me.

I start to sit down running my fingers in the wet dewy green grass while looking up towards the sky bright blue covered in thick white clouds. I notice crows black as night flying around circling a tree covered in layers of dark green sappy moss. They sense something in that specific tree, now as I’ve noticed there are tons of different types of trees around the campus dogwood, red cedar, red maples, cascara, and birch. As I tilt my head up high and squint my eyes very hard I see what they want. The squirrels running around the trees, I smiled and thought to myself no way are those birds going to come close to those ninja squirrels. Continuing on with my day I come across Mary Baker Russell Music Center, I was told it’s considered the courtyard. It was probably one of my favorite spots of the whole campus, there was a ton of space and the way it was built with the

huge cement seating arrangement was incredible. That's where students around PLU I've seen study, listen or play music it seemed as if it were a very calm peaceful part of campus. Pacific Lutheran University was so significant to me, it had everything you need in order to be in a relaxed environment, everyone was there is so kind and very warm hearted and actually do have a very good sense of humor.

Even though it's a school it is the most beautiful place filled with so much nature from the vibrant green grass to significance of the entire campus. There isn't one spot where you don't just feel at home as if you were meant to be there, the atmosphere all around is incredibly positive people and students are happy in this type of environment. I feel as if everyone should come visit this magical campus full of such joy and happiness.