

## **Pinnacles National Park (CA)**



Chris Symons grew up in Michigan, first in Grand Rapids and then attending Michigan State University to study English Education and Environmental Science. He also specialized in science communication, science journalism, and teaching English as a second language. He has had the great pleasure to work and volunteer on international education initiatives through the United Nations Association, international student groups, and the study abroad office of Michigan State University. Some of his hobbies include traveling, landscape photography, reading, symphony music, gardening and landscape design, fiction writing and worldbuilding, and just about any excuse that gets him outside. He currently aims to attend graduate school for sustainable landscape architecture, to design human spaces to be more resilient in the face

of environmental disruptions- Though it should also be admitted that his enthusiasm to learn literally everything has a tendency to sidetrack him. He is proud to be an Eagle Scout, lifelong learner, and innovative storyteller.