

## Christina Stratton Profile

In the early 2000s, Reese Witherspoon's Elle Woods took the world (and Harvard Law) by storm in a hot pink power suit, inspiring girls everywhere to see that they don't have to sacrifice their femininity to achieve personal or professional success. Now, Gen Z has its own version of Elle Woods in Christina Stratton, who's using her rapidly growing social media platform to share her life as a Pepperdine law student.

Christina Stratton is no stranger to the color pink. A former dancer and the 2015 Miss Missouri Teen USA, she embraced her femininity from a young age—and has no plans to stop now. When Stratton graduated from Pepperdine University at the start of the COVID-19 pandemic, she saw law school as a flexible and rewarding next step. She quickly gained traction on TikTok after posting videos documenting her stylish law school outfits, and now has over 450,000 followers. Her content ranges from clothing hauls and sustainable brand recommendations to “day in the life” videos, where she takes her viewers along as she gets ready for class, shows her outfits, and attends lectures and social events. Stratton doesn't just highlight the glamorous side of law school and influencing—she's also candid about the challenges of balancing both worlds. She's an influencer, yes, but she's also a role model.

In an “about me” video, Stratton channels Elle Woods when she writes, “Whoever said you had to sacrifice your femininity to be successful was seriously disturbed,” turning an iconic *Legally Blonde* quote into modern commentary. By showcasing her femininity rather than hiding her authentic self to appease others, she empowers her followers to do the same. In a world where pink is still stigmatized as too girly, too unprofessional, or too weak, Stratton crushes that stereotype in her hot pink platform stilettos—and walks away in a matching pantsuit.