



2019-2020

UNIVERSITY of PENNSYLVANIA

PHILADELPHIA, PA

Greetings from Penn!

As you prepare your next class of seniors to apply to Penn, these updates will be helpful:

• We will now be accepting self-reported testing for most domestic applicants; recruited athletes and students attending high school outside of the U.S. are still required to submit official testing. All admitted students will still be required to submit official testing for verification.

• There are two new required Penn supplemental essay prompts.

• The Wharton School and the School of Engineering and Applied Sciences will no longer be accepting junior transfers.

• For more information on these updates visit <http://tiny.cc/counselorupdate19-20>

ABOUT PENN

Known as a place for discovery, innovation and revolutionary ideas, Penn is a mid-size, urban, Ivy League research institution located in Philadelphia. Penn's campus occupies the rare intersection where a supportive residential community meets the diversity and opportunity of an urban landscape. With both a strong foundation in the liberal arts and sciences, as well as robust exposure to research, Penn's educational experience is truly interdisciplinary in its nature and extends far beyond the classroom. Students will explore what interests them and work with faculty to create new knowledge.

ACADEMICS: ONE UNIVERSITY, FOUR SCHOOLS

The University of Pennsylvania is home to four undergraduate schools, 12 graduate schools and multiple coordinated dual degree, accelerated, and specialized programs. When applying to Penn, applicants are asked to choose one of the four undergraduate schools or a coordinated dual-degree, accelerated, or specialized program that will serve as home base throughout their academic journey. All students gain a strong foundation in the liberal arts and sciences and have the ability to take classes in all four schools.

92
undergraduate majors
800+
major & minor combinations
6:1
student to faculty ratio

THE COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

We would like to see:

- a curiosity in the humanities, social sciences, and natural sciences
- an ability to apply classroom knowledge to the real world
- a strong preparation in a balanced and advanced college preparatory curriculum

SCHOOL OF NURSING

We would like to see:

- a commitment to patient care
- a desire to explore issues in healthcare
- a strong preparation in the sciences, particularly in chemistry

COORDINATED DUAL-DEGREE, ACCELERATED, AND SPECIALIZED PROGRAMS

Penn offers unique opportunities to pursue intensive integrated study across multiple schools. Applicants should articulate a strong understanding of the interdisciplinary nature of the intended program.

College of Arts and Sciences and Penn Engineering

- **Computer & Cog. Sci.:** Computer and Cognitive Science: Artificial Intelligence
- **VIPER:** Roy and Diana Vagelos Integrated Program in Energy Research

College of Arts and Sciences and the Wharton School

- **Huntsman:** Huntsman Program in International Studies and Business
- **LSM:** Roy and Diana Vagelos Program in Life Sciences and Management

School of Nursing and the Wharton School

- **NHCM:** Nursing and Health Care Management

Penn Engineering

- **DMD:** Digital Media Design
- **NETS:** Rajendra and Neera Singh Program in Networked and Social Systems Engineering

Penn Engineering and the Wharton School

- **M&T:** Jerome Fisher Program in Management and Technology

College of Arts and Sciences and the School of Dental Medicine

- **Bio-Dent:** Seven-Year Bio-Dental Program

PENN ENGINEERING

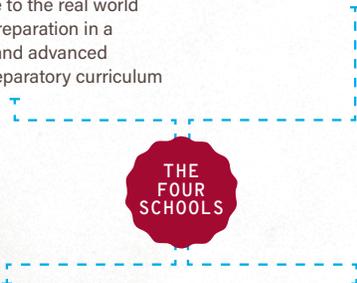
We would like to see:

- an ability to innovate, design, and practically apply scientific discoveries
- expressed reasons for pursuing an engineering education
- a strong preparation in physics and mathematics, particularly calculus

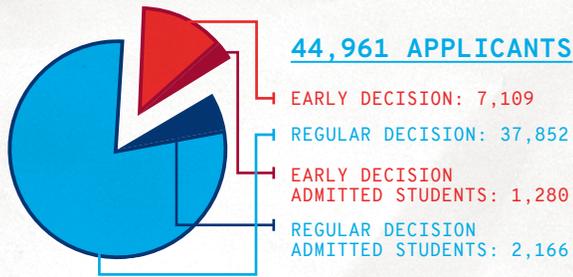
THE WHARTON SCHOOL

We would like to see:

- an interest in business to fuel positive change to advance the world's economic and social well-being
- demonstrated leadership
- a strong preparation in mathematics, particularly calculus



CLASS OF 2023 APPLICANT POOL



Penn evaluates all applications holistically, considering qualitative factors alongside measures of academic preparation.

STANDARDIZED TESTING

Penn requires the SAT or ACT and recommends two SAT Subject Tests.

For candidates interested in the following subject areas, suggested SAT Subject Tests are:

Science Technology Engineering Mathematics	Math Level 2 and Science (Physics preferred for Engineering)
Wharton	Math Level 2
Nursing	Science (preferably Chemistry)

The middle 50 percent of scores on the ACT and the SAT for the admitted class of 2023:

ACT Composite:	33 to 35
SAT:	1460 to 1550



96%
aggregate undergraduate
6-year graduation rate

300,000+
Penn alumni

\$1.02
billion
in annual research funding

100%
of undergrads able to take classes
in more than one of Penn's schools

\$75,000
median salary of a Penn
undergraduate after graduation

ADMITTED STUDENT PROFILE

STUDENT GEOGRAPHIC DISTRIBUTION

Members of the admitted class of 2023 hail from all 50 states and 101 countries.



In the tenth year of our partnership, 212 admitted students applied through Questbridge, a national program that aims to increase undergraduate enrollment of high-achieving, low-income students at top universities. Additionally, more than 497 admitted students are affiliated with community-based organizations.

DIVERSITY

International Students: 16% (by Home Address)
Students of Color: 51% (US Citizen/Permanent Residents)
First-Generation: 15%

FINANCIAL AID

Penn practices need-blind admissions for citizens and permanent residents of the U.S., Canada, and Mexico—so admission decisions are not affected by a family's ability to pay.

\$247 million was devoted to undergraduate aid for 2018-2019. **\$55,661** is the amount of financial aid, on average, awarded to aided first-years in 2018.

Penn is one of only a few universities that meets full demonstrated need with grant-based financial aid packages. Families should use our Net Price Calculator or MyinTuition to review an estimate of their financial aid package and total cost of attendance.

When financial circumstance warrants, applicants are encouraged to request an application fee waiver.

For more information, please visit the financial aid website: www.srfs.upenn.edu

Early Decision applications due

NOVEMBER 1

Regular Decision applications due

JANUARY 5

Transfer Decision applications due

MARCH 15

Apply through the
Common Application
or the **Coalition**
Application.

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This information is accurate as of August 2019.