



2022-2023

UNIVERSITY of PENNSYLVANIA

PHILADELPHIA, PA

Greetings from Philadelphia,

As we begin a new school year and welcome students back to campus, I want to thank you – our college counseling community – for your critical role in students making their way to college. Your curricular guidance, recommendation writing, organization and submission of so many materials, and comfort that you provide to students and families are so meaningful! I recognize the many (*many!*) hats you wear, and for that, I am grateful.

This year, Penn Admissions has reflected a lot on the importance of gratitude and how expressing gratitude makes us feel good. In this spirit, we have added a gratitude exercise to our Penn supplement with the hope of bringing a mini practice of mindfulness and reflection into the often-overwhelming college application process. Students' responses to the prompt also provide insight into the way they notice the interactions that are meaningful to them. There is no wrong way for them to use the prompt – however they choose to approach it is exactly what we want to read!

As we look ahead to recruiting the Class of 2027, I remain focused on creating opportunities that broaden the pathway to college by making information more accessible and processes less complicated. I invite you to use this newsletter as a starting point to learn more about Penn, and I encourage you to browse our website, attend an event, follow us on social media, and reach out to our team as questions arise and you want to learn more.

Here's to a great start to the school year, and I look forward to connecting with many of you in the coming months.

With gratitude,

Whitney Soule
Vice Provost and Dean of Admissions

GET TO KNOW PENN

90+
undergraduate
majors

800
major & minor
combinations

6:1
student to
faculty ratio

A place that's known for firsts. For greats. For sparking revolutionary ideas. For Ivy League tradition and Philly spirit. And for nurturing innovative thinkers who see that the way things are isn't the way things have to be.

Penn is home to four undergraduate schools: College of Arts and Sciences, Penn Engineering, School of Nursing, and The Wharton School. Regardless of school or major, all Penn undergraduates are able to investigate and understand our world through the liberal arts and sciences foundation.

When applying to Penn, applicants are asked to choose one of the four undergraduate schools or coordinated dual-degree, accelerated, or specialized programs that will serve as home base throughout their academic journey.

THE FOUR SCHOOLS



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



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

- **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

Penn Engineering and The Wharton School

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

Penn Engineering

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

School of Nursing and The Wharton School

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

College of Arts and Sciences and the School of Dental Medicine

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

PENN CLASS OF 2026

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

54,588 APPLICANTS



INCOMING STUDENT PROFILE

STUDENT GEOGRAPHIC DISTRIBUTION

Members of the incoming class of 2026 hail from 49 states, including Puerto Rico, D.C., Guam, USVI, and 84 countries¹.



In the fourteenth year of our partnership, 199 incoming first-year students were affiliated with Questbridge, a national program that aims to increase undergraduate enrollment of high-achieving, low-income students at top universities. Additionally, nearly 400 incoming students were affiliated with community-based organizations.

DIVERSITY



¹by Home Address, not filtered by citizenship | ²US Citizen/Permanent Residents

STANDARDIZED TESTING

Penn is continuing our test-optional policy and will not require applicants to submit the SAT or ACT for the 2022-23 application cycle. This applies to first-year and transfer applicants. Applicants who do not submit standardized test scores **will not** be at a disadvantage in the admissions process.

For more information on testing, please visit:

admissions.upenn.edu/admissions-and-financial-aid/what-penn-looks-for/testing

VISIT OPPORTUNITIES

Penn's campus in Philadelphia is once again open for visits! We also provide many ways for you and your students to engage with Penn online — from live virtual information sessions and application workshops to virtual tours, student-led panels, and on-demand videos.

To learn more about ways to engage with Penn, please visit:

admissions.upenn.edu/visit

FINANCIAL AID

Penn is a need-blind institution for students that are citizens or permanent residents of the United States, Canada, and Mexico. That means that financial need will not be considered when making admissions decisions.

The average financial aid package for a first-year student in 2021-2022 was \$61,852.

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. To learn more about our calculator tools, please visit:

sfs.upenn.edu/estimate-your-costs

When financial circumstance warrants, applicants are encouraged to contact the Office of Undergraduate Admissions to request an application fee waiver.

For more information, please visit the financial aid website:

sfs.upenn.edu

APPLICATION DEADLINES

NOVEMBER

1

EARLY DECISION

JANUARY

5

REGULAR DECISION

MARCH

15

TRANSFER DECISION

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

The University of Pennsylvania values diversity and seeks talented students, faculty, and staff from diverse backgrounds. The University of Pennsylvania does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, religion, creed, national or ethnic origin, citizenship status, age, disability, veteran status, or any other legally protected class status in the administration of its admissions, financial aid, educational, or athletic programs, or other University-administered programs or in its employment practices. Questions or complaints regarding this policy should be directed to the Executive Director of the Office of Affirmative Action and Equal Opportunity Programs, Sansom Place East, 3600 Chestnut Street, Suite 228, Philadelphia, PA 19104-6106; or (215) 898-6993 (Voice) or (215) 898-7803 (TDD).

Clery Act information is available from the Division of Public Safety at (215) 898-7515, or at publicsafety.upenn.edu/clery/annual-security-fire-safety-report/

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