**GET TO KNOW PENN**

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

**College of Arts and Sciences and the School of Dental Medicine**

Bio-Dent: Seven-Year Bio-Dental Program

**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

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**PENN’S COMMITMENT TO DIVERSITY**

Our increasingly complex world needs problem solvers, inventors, and connectors. We believe all aspects of an individual’s life experience contribute to the multidimensional problem solving that inspires them to question, explore multiple pathways forward, and design solutions that are broadly applicable.

Access to a broad community of learners enriches the college experience for everyone, and better prepares students of all backgrounds to succeed in a global society. Our students will become our leaders, impacting the decisions that will influence our future. So, creating opportunities for dialogue among students who have different experiences fosters stronger critical thinking skills, empathy, and overall knowledge.

In light of the Supreme Court’s June ruling, we will need to review and revise our practices to ensure that we are fully compliant with the law. **What will not change is our commitment to creating a diverse community as central to the educational experience at Penn.** We will continue to embrace and support the full lived experiences of every member of our community. This commitment is embedded in our mission, and fully supported by President Magill and Provost Jackson.

Simply put, we cannot fulfill our educational mission without honoring and supporting the many and varied lived experiences of our students, faculty, and staff. While the way we do our work will change in compliance with the law, our respect for this foundational principle will not.

Read more about Penn’s commitment to diversity from Dean Soule at admissions.upenn.edu/blog.
Penn evalutes all applications holistically, considering qualitative community-based organizations. Additionally, 404 incoming students were affiliated with a program that aims to increase undergraduate enrollment of high-achieving, low-income students at top universities. In the fifteenth year of our partnership, 208 incoming first-year students were affiliated with Questbridge, a national program 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: srfs.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: srfs.upenn.edu

Financial Aid

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

The average financial aid package for a first-year student in 2022-2023 was $65,478.

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: srfs.upenn.edu/estimate-your-costs

FINANCIAL AID

Applying to College 101 is designed to give students access to resources, tools, and insider tips to help them pave their own pathway to college. In it, we walk students through the different components of college applications, how to approach them, and how to evaluate different schools to determine if they’re the right fit.

This course is free on the Coursera platform and has no time limit or grades. Students are welcome to complete the entire course or explore one specific module. We hope you will share it with those students who would benefit from guidance on their college application journey. It exists to support them, and by extension you. Learn more at: admissions.upenn.edu/applying-to-college-101

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