Counselor Newsletter



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Dear Colleague,

It is with a great sense of purpose that we approach the charge of helping students find the right college "fit"—a sentiment that we know you share. Working closely with you, our goal is to identify those students most likely to thrive in and contribute to the Penn community.

Benjamin Franklin founded this university, the nation's first, on the principle that all the best minds should have access to the finest education, regardless of their families' ability to pay. Some 270+ years later, Franklin's principle, and his vision of Penn as a university committed to service to society, remains our focus.

The Penn community is remarkably dynamic—and the resources of our Philadelphia hometown are wide ranging—but in case you only have a few minutes, here are three important points:

- At the core of Penn's Ivy League education is a rich exploration of the liberal arts and sciences alongside preprofessional studies.
- Penn provides students with the intellectual flexibilty, practical skills, and real experiences needed to thrive in an increasingly complex world.
- Penn meets a family's demonstrated financial need without the use of loans, empowering students to graduate free of debt.

With gratitude for all that you do and best wishes for your students' success,

Eric J. Furda C'87

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OUTCOMES

12,000+
Interviews conducted annually on campus by more than

400 employers

86

Percent of students in the Class of 2012 who interned during their undergraduate careers

81

Percent of those applying to medical school from the Class of 2012 who were accepted (compared to 45 percent nationally) 96

Percent of those applying to law school from the Class of 2012 who were accepted (compared to 84 percent nationally)

One University, Four Schools

When applying to Penn, applicants are asked to choose one of four undergraduate schools or programs. While gaining a strong foundation in the liberal arts and sciences, all students have the ability to take classes in all four schools.

COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

freshman class size: 1,449

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

freshman class size: 85

We would like to see:

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

SCHOOL OF ENGINEERING AND APPLIED SCIENCE freshman class size: 350

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

freshman class size: 388

like to see: 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

COORDINATED DUAL-DEGREE, ACCELERATED, AND SPECIALIZED PROGRAMS

combined freshman class size: 148

Students with highly developed academic interests can apply to programs that allow them to earn more than one degree or delve deeply into their particular area of interest.

Huntsman: Huntsman Program in International Studies and Business

LSM: Roy and Diana Vagelos Program in Life Sciences and Management

M&T: Jerome Fisher Program in Management and Technology

NHCM: Nursing and Health Care Management

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

Bio-Dent: Seven-Year Bio-Dental Program

Intelligence

NETS: Rajendra and Neera Singh Program in Networked and Social Systems Engineering

DMD: Digital Media Design major, School of Engineering and Applied Science

www.admissions.upenn.edu

6:1 Student-to-faculty ratio

92 Undergraduate majors

100
Percent of undergrads able to take classes in more

to take classes in more than one of Penn's schools

L42 Research centers and institutes

150+ Study abroad programs in nearly 40 countries

12
Percent of the Class of 2017 who are first-generation college students

40 Student-led community service organizations

\$0 Amount of student loans in Penn aid packages

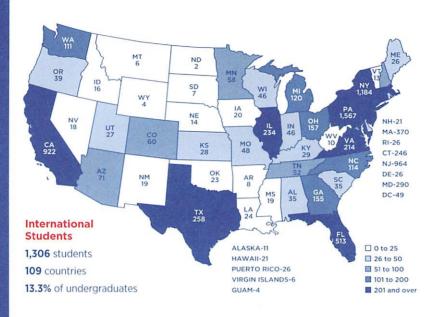
\$44,772 Amount of financial aid, on average, awarded to aided freshmen in 2013

\$180 million Amount devoted to undergraduate aid in

2013-2014

UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA STUDENT PROFILE

Student Geographic Distribution, Incoming Classes of 2014-2017



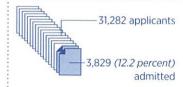
Test Scores

The middle 50 percent of scores on each of the three SAT components and the ACT for the admitted Class of 2017:

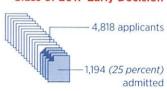
SAT Reading: 680 to 770
SAT Math: 700 to 790
SAT Writing: 690 to 790
ACT Composite: 31 to 34

Penn requires first-year applicants to take the SAT and two SAT Subject Tests in different subjects OR the ACT Plus Writing.

Class of 2017 Applicant Pool



Class of 2017 Early Decision



Penn takes a holistic approach to the admission process, looking at intangible qualities alongside grades and test scores.

Diversity

42 percent of
U.S. citizens and
permanent
residents enrolled in
the Class of 2017 self-reported
as members of black, Asian,
Hispanic, or Native American
communities.

FINANCIAL AID

Penn practices need-blind admissions for citizens and permanent residents of the U.S., Canada, and Mexico—so admissions decisions are not affected by a family's ability to pay tuition. For information about aid for international students, visit www. admissions.upenn.edu/applying/aid.php.

So that students may graduate debt-free, Penn meets 100 percent of demonstrated need for four years without the use of loans in its aid packages.

83 percent of the Class of 2017 who applied for financial aid received assistance.

Visit Student Financial Services at

www.sfs.upenn.edu to learn more and to use the Net Price Calculator tool. It is difficult to know how much financial aid a family might be eligible to receive until they apply for aid. Although income is not the only basis for awarding financial aid, the following table of this year's awards may serve as a guide:

Aided Freshmen by Family Income: Class of 2017 (entering August 2013)

Family Income	Median Annual Awards	Percent of Applicants Offered Aid
\$0-39,999	\$60,505	100%
\$40,000-69,999	\$56,425	99%
\$70,000-99,999	\$50,500	96%
\$100,000-129,999	\$41,040	99%
\$130,000-159,999	\$35,700	97%
\$160,000-189,999	\$28,150	81%
\$190,000-219,999	\$19,530	76%
\$220,000 and up*	\$16,870	28%

*Most who qualify have more than one child in college.

ADMISSIONS DEADLINES

Early Decision: **November 1** Regular Decision: **January 1** Transfer: **March 15**

Penn is an exclusive member of The Common Application.

CONTACT US

We're here to support you throughout this process.
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