

If you are  
***INSPIRED***  
to make an impact  
on the world . . .



**Penn**  
UNIVERSITY of PENNSYLVANIA

# ... what's the best education you can have?

## The world is a beautiful mess—

increasingly complex and ever shifting. It needs people with mental agility and an appetite for challenge.

For such a world, the ideal education would expose you to many ways of thinking . . .

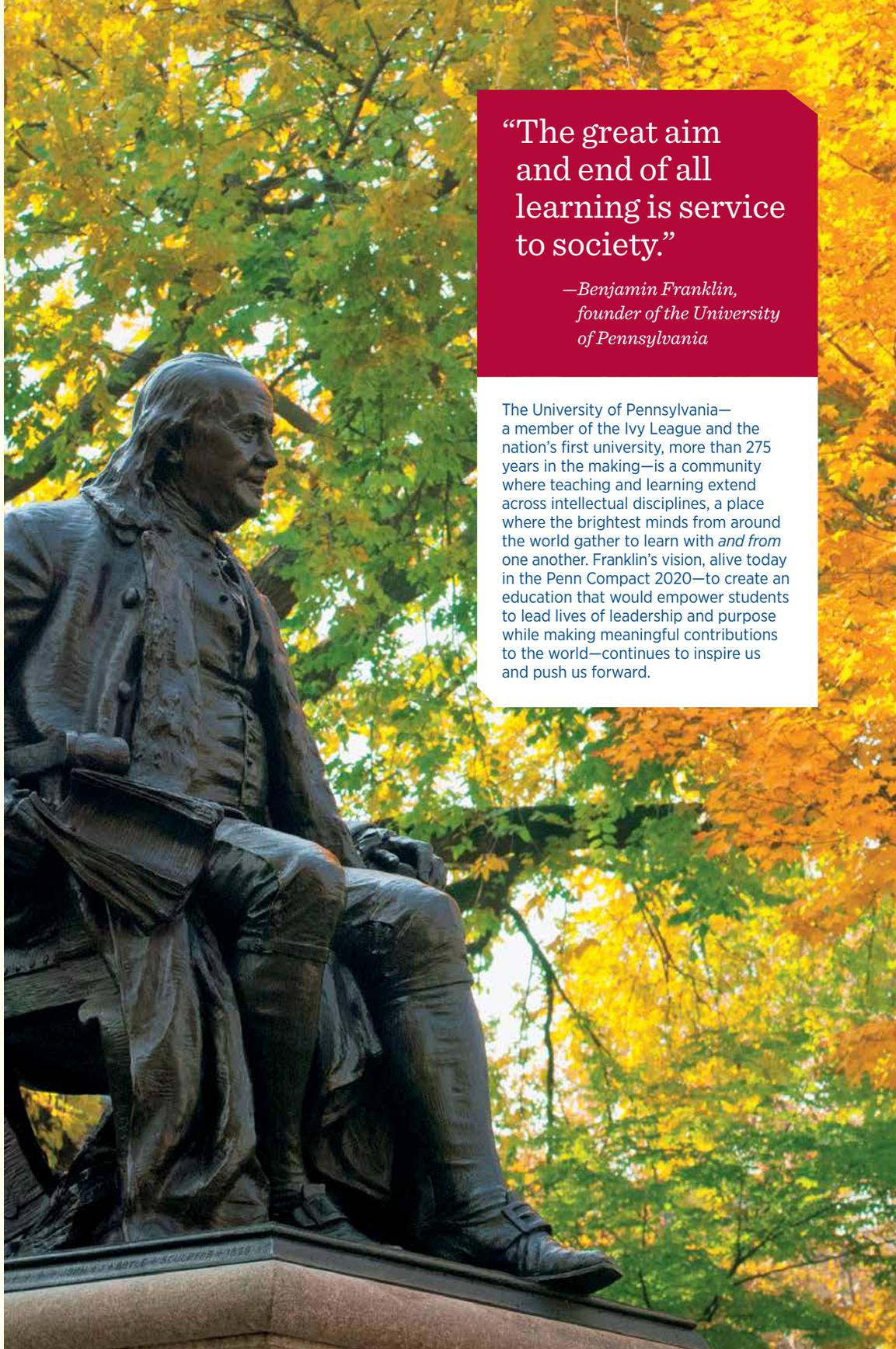
It would give you skills to apply what you learn and to seek answers to new questions . . .

It would show you how to make meaningful connections between ideas and people from across the globe . . .

It would happen in the heart of a vibrant city and would help you reach out to address shared problems around the planet . . .

It would be accessible and affordable . . .

If you are inspired to make an impact on the world, **the ideal education for a lifetime is here at the University of Pennsylvania.**

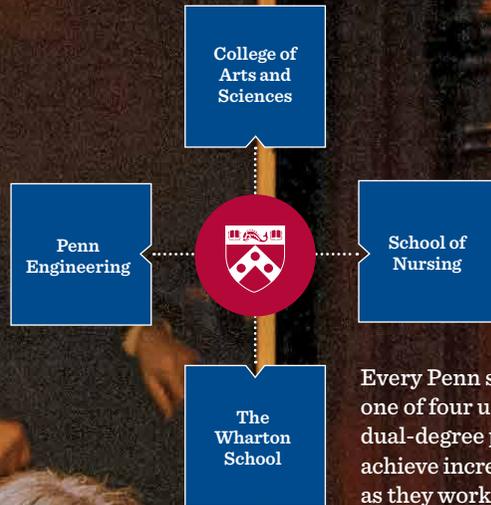


“The great aim and end of all learning is service to society.”

—Benjamin Franklin,  
founder of the University  
of Pennsylvania

The University of Pennsylvania—a member of the Ivy League and the nation's first university, more than 275 years in the making—is a community where teaching and learning extend across intellectual disciplines, a place where the brightest minds from around the world gather to learn with *and from* one another. Franklin's vision, alive today in the Penn Compact 2020—to create an education that would empower students to lead lives of leadership and purpose while making meaningful contributions to the world—continues to inspire us and push us forward.

# Mind-Opening



Every Penn student finds a home in one of four undergraduate schools or a dual-degree program. Here, students achieve incredible depth in their major as they work alongside professors, complete capstone projects and senior theses, and integrate classwork with our vibrant community. Know that every undergraduate has a foundation of course work in the liberal arts and sciences and that all students, across programs, are taking courses—and exchanging ideas—together.

**Why this is important:** The world needs people with intellectual flexibility, broad perspective, and the ability to lead.

**WHY PENN?** **THE INTEGRATION OF KNOWLEDGE AND LEARNING** created by access to 4 undergraduate schools and 12 graduate schools is the foundation for the education you'll need to meet the needs of the 21st century. Here, you will explore the richness and breadth of the humanities, sciences, and social sciences while solving problems with an interdisciplinary approach. The flexibility of Penn allows students to explore among more than 4,200 courses, select from a variety of interdisciplinary minors, and receive instruction in more than 50 languages—as well as to earn more than one degree. With the world's foremost scholars, you will learn how to synthesize, adapt, innovate, and persuade.

**PHOTO:** Penn undergraduates across all four schools fulfill their writing requirement through Critical Writing Seminars, small classes offered by the Critical Writing Program. The University has a deep commitment to developing and refining critical thinking, writing, and collaborative skills. Seminar topics range from an in-depth analysis of *The Great Gatsby* to comic art.



## PENN STUDENTS LEARN CLOSELY

with some of the preeminent voices in their disciplines, from Nobel and Pulitzer Prize recipients to National Medal of Science awardees and more. Office doors are always open.

83

Percent of students in the Class of 2015 who interned during their undergraduate careers

100

Research centers and institutes

100

Percent of Wharton students who complete a consulting project for a local small business or nonprofit organization

75

Percent of students in the College who complete a capstone or independent research project

896

Hours of clinical rotations worked by each Penn Nursing student

100

Percent of Penn Engineering students who complete a capstone research project

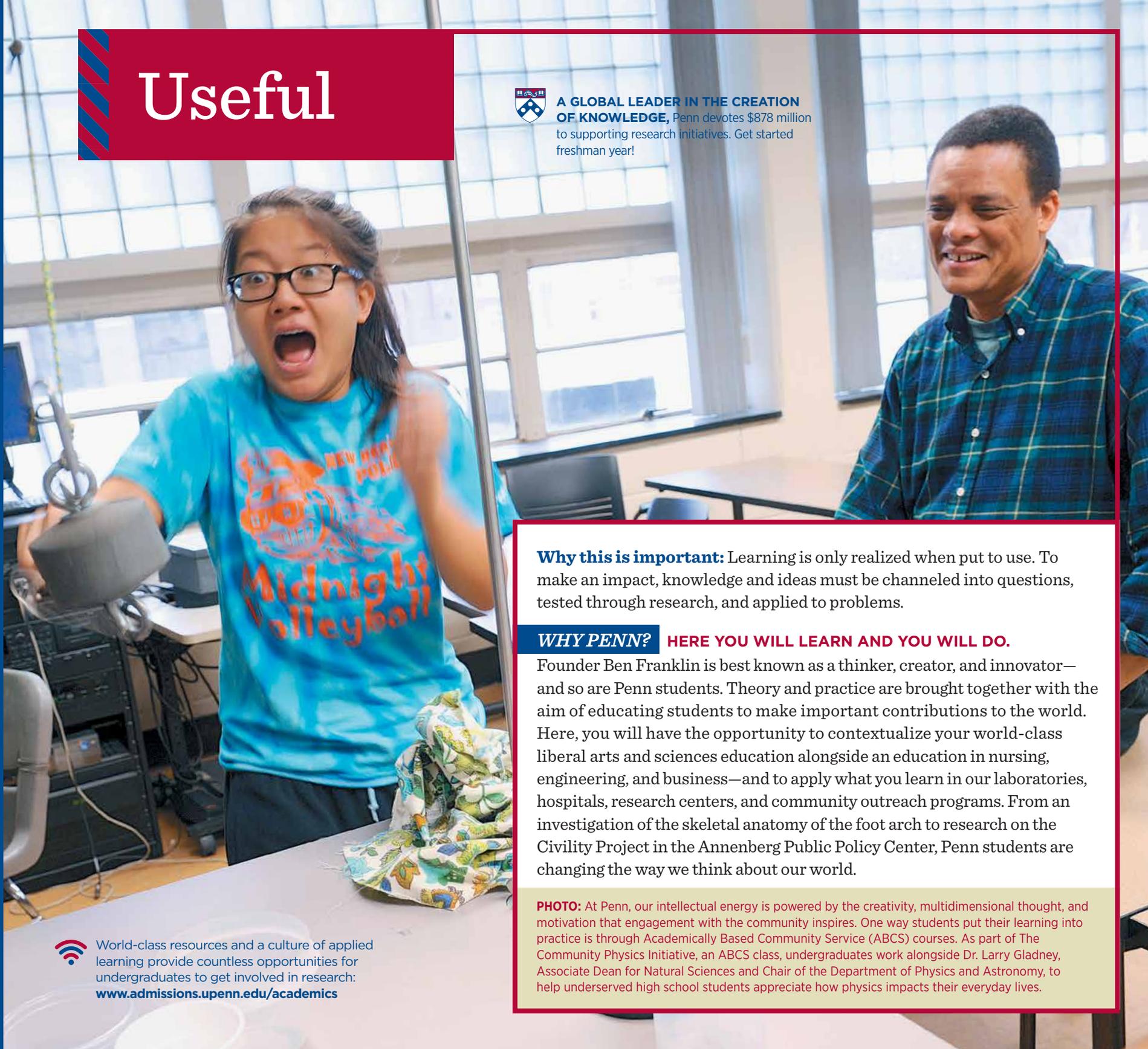
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Academically Based Community Service courses

# Useful



**A GLOBAL LEADER IN THE CREATION OF KNOWLEDGE**, Penn devotes \$878 million to supporting research initiatives. Get started freshman year!



**Why this is important:** Learning is only realized when put to use. To make an impact, knowledge and ideas must be channeled into questions, tested through research, and applied to problems.

### **WHY PENN? HERE YOU WILL LEARN AND YOU WILL DO.**

Founder Ben Franklin is best known as a thinker, creator, and innovator—and so are Penn students. Theory and practice are brought together with the aim of educating students to make important contributions to the world. Here, you will have the opportunity to contextualize your world-class liberal arts and sciences education alongside an education in nursing, engineering, and business—and to apply what you learn in our laboratories, hospitals, research centers, and community outreach programs. From an investigation of the skeletal anatomy of the foot arch to research on the Civility Project in the Annenberg Public Policy Center, Penn students are changing the way we think about our world.

**PHOTO:** At Penn, our intellectual energy is powered by the creativity, multidimensional thought, and motivation that engagement with the community inspires. One way students put their learning into practice is through Academically Based Community Service (ABCS) courses. As part of The Community Physics Initiative, an ABCS class, undergraduates work alongside Dr. Larry Gladney, Associate Dean for Natural Sciences and Chair of the Department of Physics and Astronomy, to help underserved high school students appreciate how physics impacts their everyday lives.



World-class resources and a culture of applied learning provide countless opportunities for undergraduates to get involved in research: [www.admissions.upenn.edu/academics](http://www.admissions.upenn.edu/academics)

# Connected



**JUST OFF LOCUST WALK,** students study civilizations at Penn's Museum of Archaeology and Anthropology, take the stage at the Platt Performing Arts House or the Annenberg Center for the Performing Arts, and explore ideas through images at the Institute of Contemporary Art.

**Why this is important:** As the world grows more complex, solutions to its problems are more likely to be found where there is a deeper understanding of its great diversity. To best prepare today's students, knowledge about global cultures, ideas, and mutual respect must be freely shared and incorporated into a campus community.

## **WHY PENN?** PENN THRIVES ON AN OPEN EXCHANGE OF IDEAS

and strives to create places—physical and intellectual—throughout the entire University that encourage shared learning experiences. Proximity helps: A short walk connects the resources of our 4 undergraduate schools, 12 graduate schools, 3 world-class teaching hospitals, 100 research centers, 15 libraries, 6 cultural resource centers, 45+ student-led performance groups, and 12 College Houses. As a Penn undergraduate, you can take courses and conduct research outside of your major or school. You'll gain varied experiences working with others on important problems while learning to navigate the complex world you will help shape.

**PHOTO:** Tree-lined, central artery Locust Walk connects the University's many resources—such as the Center for Undergraduate Research and Fellowships (CURF), Kelly Writers House, Penn Women's Center, Perry World House, and the Arts, Research and Culture House (ARCH)—while serving as a gathering place for students to promote Penn's more than 500 student organizations.

 **BEN FRANKLIN FOUNDED PENN** with the philosophy that *all* students of promise—regardless of their socioeconomic status, race, gender, or ethnicity—should have access to a world-class education. All members of the Penn community are enriched by the different perspectives, cultures, and backgrounds that are present in our classrooms, College Houses, campus hubs, and resource centers. Admitting and engaging a diverse community is at the core of Penn's educational mission.

30+

Cultural organizations along the “Avenue of the Arts”

300,000

Watts of energy saved per hour using a state-of-the-art green lighting system in the 24-acre Penn Park

90

Takeout “food trucks,” carts, and venues feeding Penn’s campus

6

Philadelphia professional sports teams (Eagles, Phillies, 76ers, Flyers, Union, and Soul)

26+

Miles of biking and running paths on the Schuylkill River Trail

2,500

Penn students working each year in schools, health clubs, and other Philadelphia institutions as part of their academic experience



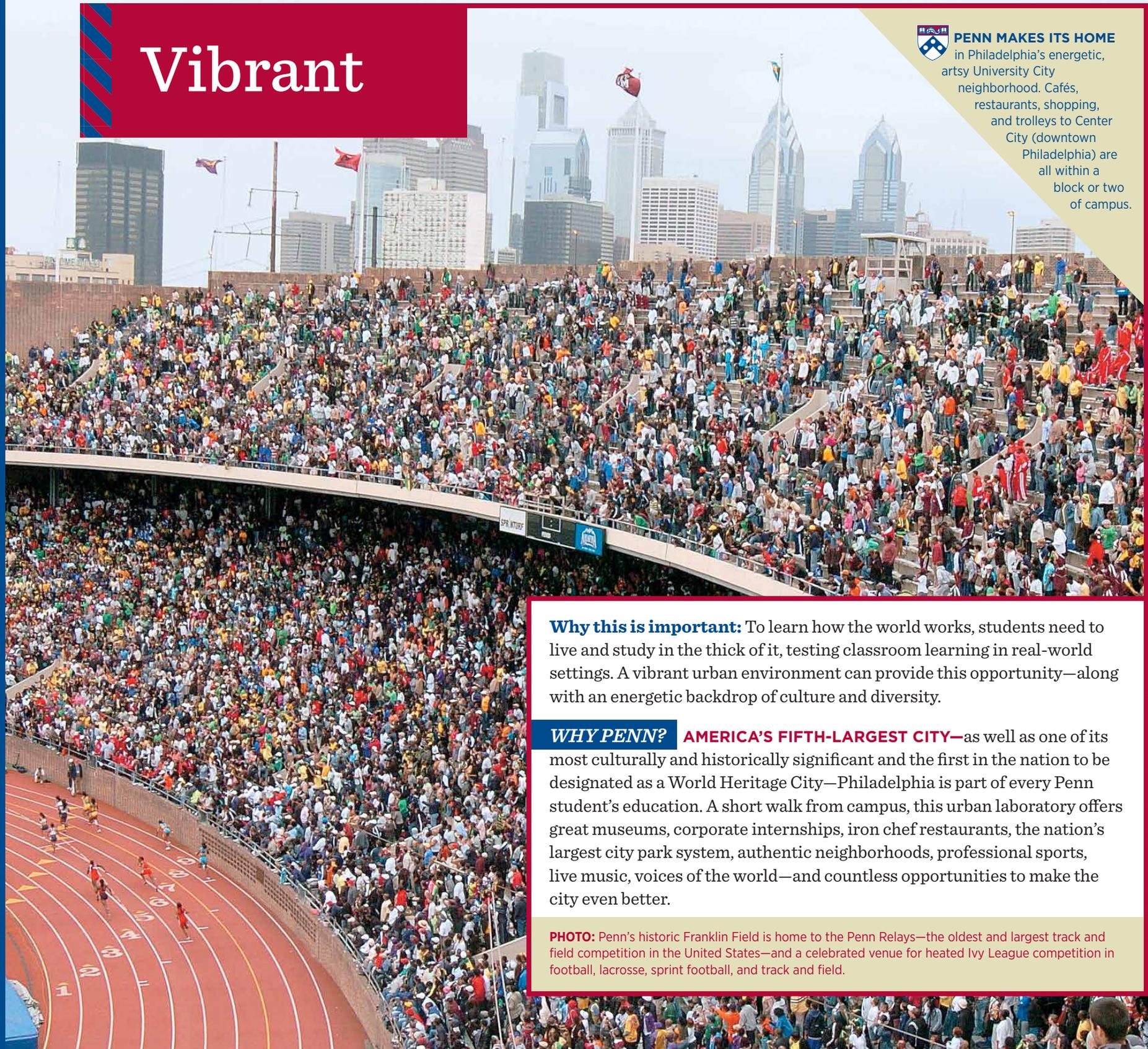
Student bloggers of many backgrounds and interests share authentic stories of life at Penn: [www.blog.admissions.upenn.edu](http://www.blog.admissions.upenn.edu)

# Vibrant



## PENN MAKES ITS HOME

in Philadelphia’s energetic, artsy University City neighborhood. Cafés, restaurants, shopping, and trolleys to Center City (downtown Philadelphia) are all within a block or two of campus.



**Why this is important:** To learn how the world works, students need to live and study in the thick of it, testing classroom learning in real-world settings. A vibrant urban environment can provide this opportunity—along with an energetic backdrop of culture and diversity.

**WHY PENN?** **AMERICA’S FIFTH-LARGEST CITY**—as well as one of its most culturally and historically significant and the first in the nation to be designated as a World Heritage City—Philadelphia is part of every Penn student’s education. A short walk from campus, this urban laboratory offers great museums, corporate internships, iron chef restaurants, the nation’s largest city park system, authentic neighborhoods, professional sports, live music, voices of the world—and countless opportunities to make the city even better.

**PHOTO:** Penn’s historic Franklin Field is home to the Penn Relays—the oldest and largest track and field competition in the United States—and a celebrated venue for heated Ivy League competition in football, lacrosse, sprint football, and track and field.

# Far-Reaching



**PENN IS A LEADER IN ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION,** energy reduction, green infrastructure, and the purchase of wind-generated power. Our Climate Action Plan, created to reduce Penn's carbon footprint and develop long-range sustainability goals, was conceived by a group of students, faculty, and staff.



**CIVIC ENGAGEMENT** is a way of life here. Students can choose courses and participate in activities offered through the Netter Center for Community Partnerships, the Fox Leadership Program, and Civic House.

**Why this is important:** The world is an interrelated place. People and communities are connected by a common responsibility to solve pressing problems.

**WHY PENN? BELIEVING THAT THE CORE PURPOSE OF EDUCATION IS TO ADVANCE THE COMMON GOOD,** Penn channels its ideas and resources into addressing humanity's most challenging problems. Global initiative is central to a Penn education, and Penn Global connects study abroad with short-term projects, international internships, fellowships, careers, publications, and communities. Penn professors and students are improving health care in Botswana, promoting education in China, and providing clean water in Honduras. Locally, Penn undergraduates join with nearby public schools and community centers to improve education, public health, and childhood nutrition. Gaining knowledge to enact positive change is the shared responsibility of all Penn students and a big part of what it means to be part of our global, national, and local communities.

**PHOTO:** At Penn's Guatemala Health Initiative (GHI), students work with Hospitalito Atitlán to improve health in the remote town of Santiago Atitlán. When a mudslide destroyed the hospital, Penn students helped build a new one. GHI is one of 100+ programs in more than 50 countries (including the Wharton International Program, Engineers Without Borders, and Nursing Global Health initiatives) through which Penn undergraduates can study abroad for credit.

800

Employers recruiting on campus, attending career days, and conducting presentations annually

11,000

Interviews conducted annually on campus by more than 400 employers

88

Percent of those applying to medical school from the Class of 2015 who were accepted

92

Percent of those applying to law school from the Class of 2015 who were accepted

73

Percent of graduates who enroll in or earn an advanced degree within 10 years of graduation

304,000+

Alumni in Penn's global network



Penn Career Services' 28 advisors help students with everything from career exploration to internships to grad school applications: [www.vpul.upenn.edu/careerservices](http://www.vpul.upenn.edu/careerservices)

# Inspired



**AN IVY LEAGUE EDUCATION** prepares you for a rapidly changing world. The average person holds 11 jobs between ages 18 and 44, according to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics. Consider Penn alumnus Elon Musk, who has excelled in many roles across technology and business, from inventor to investor to leader. You'll need an education like the one you'll find at Penn.



**Why this is important:** The world's most pressing challenges require a new kind of leader who has both the ability and the inclination to think beyond self-interest.

**WHY PENN?** **PENN EMPOWERS STUDENTS** to develop the knowledge, skills, and experiences needed for engaged civic leadership. While they study and examine their world, the Penn community works together to make it a better place. Inspiration, engagement, and leadership are part of the curriculum here. In every question you ask, in every answer you seek, **your Penn experience will help you figure out how to make your impact on the world.**

**PHOTO:** Penn students are active supporters of social and civic causes. Almost one in four aided students use their work-study job to participate in civic engagement.

**PENN'S DISTINCTIONS OWE MUCH TO THE SPIRIT OF OUR FOUNDER, BENJAMIN FRANKLIN.**

Penn continues to realize Franklin's vision by placing the study of the liberal arts and sciences at the center of all undergraduate programs—promoting rich exploration of the sciences, social sciences, and humanities alongside education in business, nursing, and engineering. Penn seeks to enroll a class of 2,445 students across the four undergraduate schools and the coordinated dual degree, accelerated, and specialized programs.



**College of Arts and Sciences**

The College of Arts and Sciences offers a Bachelor of Arts degree in 57 majors with multiple concentrations in and across its 26 academic departments.

<i>Bachelor of Arts</i>	English	Modern Middle Eastern Studies
African Studies	Environmental Studies	Eastern Studies
Africana Studies	Fine Arts	Music
Ancient History	French and Francophone Studies	Near Eastern Languages and Civilizations
Anthropology	Gender, Sexuality, and Women's Studies	Philosophy
Architecture	German	Philosophy, Politics, and Economics
Biochemistry	Health and Societies	Physics
Biological Basis of Behavior	Hispanic Studies	Political Science
Biology	History	Psychology
Biophysics	History of Art	Religious Studies
Chemistry	Individualized	Romance Languages
Cinema and Media Studies	International Relations	Russian
Classical Studies	International Studies	Science, Technology, and Society
Cognitive Science	Italian Studies	Sociology
Communication	Jewish Studies	South Asia Studies
Comparative Literature	Latin American and Latino Studies	Theatre Arts
Criminology	Linguistics	Urban Studies
Earth Science	Logic, Information, and Computation	Visual Studies
East Asian Area Studies	Mathematical Economics	
East Asian Languages and Civilizations	Mathematics	
Economics		

**Penn Engineering**

Penn Engineering offers two undergraduate degree programs: the Bachelor of Science in Engineering (BSE), our professional degree, and the Bachelor of Applied Science (BAS), an integrative program combining engineering and technology studies with the liberal arts.

<i>Bachelor of Science in Engineering</i>	Electrical Engineering	<i>Bachelor of Applied Science</i>
Bioengineering	Materials Science and Engineering	Biomedical Science
Chemical and Biomolecular Engineering	Mechanical Engineering and Applied Mechanics	Computational Biology
Computer Engineering	Networked and Social Systems Engineering	Computer and Cognitive Science
Computer Science	Systems Science and Engineering	Computer Science
Digital Media Design		

**School of Nursing**

Leading to a Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree, the School of Nursing provides a balance between liberal arts and professional preparation while emphasizing cutting-edge education, innovative research, and integrated clinical practice with a local, national, and global reach.

*Bachelor of Science in Nursing*

*Minor offered only in the School of Nursing*

Multicultural/Global Health Care

**Wharton School**

The Wharton School offers a balanced, four-year business and liberal arts and science curriculum—with more than 20 different areas of concentration—leading to a Bachelor of Science in Economics.

*Bachelor of Science in Economics*

- Legal Studies and Business Ethics Management
- Entrepreneurship and Innovation
- Multinational Management
- Organizational Effectiveness
- Strategic Management
- Managing Electronic Commerce
- Marketing
- Marketing and Communication
- Marketing and Operations Management

- Operations, Information and Decisions
- Business Analytics
- Decision Processes
- Information Systems
- Operations Management/Management Science
- Real Estate Retailing
- Social Impact and Responsibility
- Statistics

- Accounting
- Actuarial Science
- Behavioral Economics
- Business Economics and Public Policy
- Environmental Policy and Management
- Finance
- Global Analysis
- Health Care Management and Policy
- Insurance and Risk Management

**Coordinated Dual-Degree, Accelerated, and Specialized Programs**

Some Penn students complete specially designed curricula through which they earn degrees from two different schools.

**The 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

**The 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

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

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

**Penn Engineering**

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

**The School of Nursing and the Wharton School**

- NHCM: Nursing and Health Care Management

**Penn Engineering and the Wharton School**

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

**University Minors**

In addition to minors within the Schools, Penn undergraduates pursue minors that combine disciplines from more than one of Penn's 12 schools.

- Actuarial Mathematics
- American Public Policy
- Biological Basis of Behavior and Health Services Management

- Cognitive Science
- Consumer Psychology
- Landscape Studies
- Legal Studies and History
- Nutrition

- Sustainability and Environmental Management
- Urban Education
- Urban Real Estate and Development

# 6:1

Student-to-faculty ratio

# 89

Undergraduate majors currently being pursued

# 100

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

# 108

Countries represented by the student body

# 45

Percent of the incoming class who self-identify as students of color

# \$0

Amount of student loans in Penn aid packages

# \$48,605

Average financial aid package for incoming awarded freshmen in 2015



To see Penn come alive, go to [www.admissions.upenn.edu/life-at-penn](http://www.admissions.upenn.edu/life-at-penn) and watch the Experience Penn video.

## Penn Financial Aid

**WE BELIEVE THAT ALL THE BEST MINDS SHOULD HAVE ACCESS TO THE FINEST EDUCATION,** regardless of their families' ability to pay.

Penn achieves this by:

- Practicing need-blind admissions for citizens and permanent residents of the United States, Canada, and Mexico.
- Meeting 100% of demonstrated financial need for four years.
- Providing an all-grant aid package for undergraduates who receive financial aid.

Penn stands out as one of a very small number of universities that offer all grants in their aid packages.

**BECAUSE EACH FAMILY'S SITUATION IS UNIQUE,** it is difficult to know how much financial aid you might be eligible to receive until you apply for aid. Individual awards vary based on individual circumstances.

Aided Freshmen by Family Income (entering August 2015)		
Family Income	Median Annual Awards	Percent of Applicants Offered Aid
\$0-39,999	\$63,790	98%
\$40,000-69,999	\$63,500	100%
\$70,000-99,999	\$56,770	99%
\$100,000-129,999	\$49,550	96%
\$130,000-159,999	\$41,720	97%
\$160,000-189,999	\$37,075	94%
\$190,000-219,999	\$30,220	84%
\$220,000 and up*	\$15,935	31%

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

Visit Student Financial Services at [www.sfs.upenn.edu](http://www.sfs.upenn.edu) to learn more and to access Penn's **Net Price Calculator**.

For information about aid for international students, visit [www.admissions.upenn.edu/apply/international-applicants](http://www.admissions.upenn.edu/apply/international-applicants)

## Penn Facts

### HISTORY

Founded in 1740, the University of Pennsylvania became the first university in what is now the United States with the establishment of the first medical school in 1765, and in 1779 became the first institution in the country to formally bear the name *university*.

### STUDENTS

11,406 undergraduate; 11,157 graduate and professional; 45 percent of the incoming class self-identify as students of color. More than 12 percent are international students, and 51 percent are women.

### CLASS SIZE

25 students or fewer in 70 percent of College classes; the student-to-faculty ratio is 6:1.

### ATHLETICS

Penn is a member of the Ivy League, fielding 33 men's and women's varsity teams. Since 2007, the Quakers have won league men's titles in basketball, fencing, football, golf, soccer, sprint football, tennis, and wrestling; women's titles include basketball, golf, gymnastics, lacrosse, soccer, softball, squash, tennis, and volleyball.

### SAFETY

Located in one of America's great cities, Penn also offers one of the nation's safest campuses. Penn has been ranked #1 for safety in the Higher Education Sector by *Security* magazine for the past seven years.

### AFTER PENN

Penn has an aggregate undergraduate graduation rate of 96 percent. Within five years of graduation, 64 percent of Penn alumni will be pursuing or have earned advanced degrees; after 10 years, the number is 73 percent.

### ADMISSION DEADLINES

Students may apply to Penn via a binding Early Decision application (November 1 deadline) or Regular Decision (January 5 deadline). The deadline for submitting a transfer application is March 15. [www.admissions.upenn.edu/apply](http://www.admissions.upenn.edu/apply)

### CLASS PROFILE

Go to [www.admissions.upenn.edu/apply/whatpennlooksfor/incoming-class-profile](http://www.admissions.upenn.edu/apply/whatpennlooksfor/incoming-class-profile) for the most current admissions statistics.

### UNDERGRADUATE COSTS

Tuition and fees: \$51,464; total educational expense budget for 2016-17: \$69,340.

## Visit Penn

**WE LOOK FORWARD TO WELCOMING YOU.**

On campus, you can:

- Attend an information session.
- Go to an undergraduate school session.
- Tour campus with a current student.
- Observe a class.
- Dine at our student union or at a nearby eatery or food truck.

**CHECK PENN IN YOUR TOWN**

**ONLINE** to see if Penn will be holding an admissions event near you.

[www.admissions.upenn.edu/visit](http://www.admissions.upenn.edu/visit)

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[www.upenn.edu/life-at-penn/arts.php](http://www.upenn.edu/life-at-penn/arts.php)

**Assembly of International Students**  
[www.aisupenn.org](http://www.aisupenn.org)

**Athletics at Penn**  
[www.pennathletics.com](http://www.pennathletics.com)

**Campus Safety**  
[www.publicsafety.upenn.edu](http://www.publicsafety.upenn.edu)

**Career Services**  
[www.vpul.upenn.edu/careerservices](http://www.vpul.upenn.edu/careerservices)

**Civic House**  
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**Course Catalog**  
[www.upenn.edu/registrar/course-roster](http://www.upenn.edu/registrar/course-roster)

**Financial Aid**  
[www.sfs.upenn.edu](http://www.sfs.upenn.edu)

**Fox Leadership Program**  
<https://foxleadership.upenn.edu>

**Netter Center for Community Partnerships**  
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[www.pennparents.upenn.edu](http://www.pennparents.upenn.edu)

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<https://www.sustainability.upenn.edu>

**Penn Global**  
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**Penn Professors**  
<https://pikprofessors.upenn.edu>

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[www.admissions.upenn.edu/academics](http://www.admissions.upenn.edu/academics)

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