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MISSION STATEMENT

THE COLLEGE HOUSES ARE RESIDENTIAL COMMUNITIES FOR PENN UNDERGRADUATES THAT:

- Connect the academic life of the University with the residential experience.
- Develop smaller, intimate communities that students call home and from which they can more comfortably navigate the complexities of a large university.
- Provide academic and personal support to residents.
- Promote social interaction, engagement, accountability and leadership within a setting that honors the diverse needs and backgrounds of the population.

FOR MORE INFORMATION ON COLLEGE HOUSE PROGRAMS AND STAFF

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ACADEMIC LIFE

“COLLEGE HOUSES:
Academic Life.
Community.
Belonging.”

Penn has had individual College Houses for more than 50 years, but it wasn't until 1998 that every undergraduate residence hall was converted into the living-and-learning model that students who lived in places like Du Bois College House and Van Pelt College House (now part of Gregory) had been thriving in for years. From its inception, the foundational idea of the College House system has been intellectual engagement: extending the active “life of the mind” that Penn fosters beyond the classroom and into living rooms. In the College Houses, the life of the mind matters.

Here's how we do it.



College House Life

College House residents do far more than eat, sleep, play, and study. They learn. Each House provides countless occasions for residents to get to know the faculty, staff, and student leaders who are their neighbors in the House. By living in a College House our residents have opportunities to collaborate with other residents; improve their language, writing, math, and other skills; plan and lead House activities; write newsletters and market House events; attend in-House performances; oversee program budgets; manage a student IT team; or mentor their peers. For those who participate in their College House communities, learning just happens; it's the inevitable result of the daily interaction of residents and engagement with the activities around them. This sort of informal learning is an intentional outcome of our mission. Here are some of the ways we do it.



First year students: 41%
Sophomores: 40%
Juniors: 12%
Seniors: 7%

WE CONNECT THE HOUSE COMMUNITIES TO THE INTELLECTUAL LIFE OF THE UNIVERSITY.

- Residents are exposed to a range of disciplines and backgrounds through the Faculty Director, College House Fellows and House Director. To learn more about their diverse fields of study and expertise see our comprehensive list at www.collegehouses.upenn.edu/life/expertise.
- We provide group tickets for campus events and renowned speakers.
- Academically-themed Program Communities within the Houses have links to such distinguished departments as the Fels Institute, Film Studies, Civic House, Weiss Tech House, Perry World House, and the Greenfield Intercultural Center.

WE CREATE THE ATMOSPHERE OF A SMALL LIBERAL ARTS COLLEGE WITHIN THE UNIVERSITY'S EXCITINGLY LARGE RESEARCH ENVIRONMENT.

- Our College House faculty, often pre-eminent in their fields, are nevertheless approachable and enjoy engaging with their residents.
- Student researchers receive guidance from House faculty on writing a research proposal and can apply for House research fellowships of \$1,500. The Research Fellows present their work in symposia and other forums, and in turn advise other residents about Penn's research opportunities.
- Emphasis on community building in each House helps create a sociable home base.

WE SUPPORT OUR RESIDENTS, ACADEMICALLY AND PERSONALLY.

- The Tutoring Center offers help in several Houses with Math, Econ, Chemistry, Biology, and other subjects each semester.
- Houses provide advice on graduate and professional schools, internships, careers, and fellowships, and House Directors provide in-House academic advising.
- Group study and technology spaces encourage students to learn together.

WE FOSTER LEADERSHIP AND ACCOUNTABILITY, BUT ALSO CIVIC-MINDEDNESS, TEAMWORK, AND OPPORTUNITIES TO COLLABORATE.

- Awards such as the Lucid Award and the Du Bois Endowed Scholarship are bestowed on residents with notable academic achievements and community-mindedness.
- Houses with a Board of Managers have a strong leadership team overseeing every aspect of the House, from oversight of cafés to the creation of science competitions.
- House Councils or Steering Committees play different roles across the Houses—advising staff on the allocation of funds, the creation of programs, intramural activities, and more.

College House Faculty and Staff Neighbors

Every College House has a live-in team of faculty and staff who work to keep the life of the House community engaged in the intellectual and social life of the University as a whole. These scholars and their families become part of the College House community and enrich the life of all their residents.

FACULTY DIRECTOR

The Faculty Director of each College House is a prominent professor appointed by the Provost to live in residence. As neighbors of students, these professors offer immediate contact with Penn's renowned teachers and scholars. Faculty Directors provide academic leadership for the House.

HOUSE FELLOWS

College House Fellows are appointed to live in the College Houses to strengthen the connections between the Houses and the intellectual life of the University. Members of the standing or adjunct faculty of one of Penn's twelve schools, or members of Penn's senior academic staff, they have regular teaching, advising, and mentoring relationships with undergraduates.

HOUSE DIRECTOR

The House Director is the single most important administrator in the residential community. House Directors serve as academic advisors, active participants in group events, and trusted friends. House Directors direct the House office and hire and supervise the RAs and House Managers. They also rotate shifts as the House Director on Call, ensuring that no matter the time

of day or night, residents and House staff have someone they can count on to provide help and assistance. Many of the House Directors hold advanced academic degrees and provide leadership by serving on key committees across the campus.

HOUSE COORDINATOR

Each House office is staffed by a full-time non-resident Coordinator who supports the operation of the House and provides invaluable assistance to the House Director and all of the residents.

RESIDENT ADVISORS

Each House has a diverse team of student leaders selected from among the sophomore, junior, and senior student body and from the graduate schools at Penn. These Resident Advisors (RAs) advise and support the programming initiatives of the community and sponsor or join in the numerous academic, social, and co-curricular activities of each House. The peer support offered by an RA can be a wonderful resource for new students looking for guidance from someone close in age and outlook.



Shared curiosity, shared space

PROGRAM COMMUNITIES

For many students the idea of living with a smaller community of people who share a culture, lifestyle or interest is very appealing. At Penn, designated floors or sections of the Houses are called Program Communities. The potential for an enriched residential experience is limitless with so many topics to explore together. Students apply for these communities when completing their housing application; most require essays at the time of application. Information about applying to Program Communities is available at www.collegehouses.upenn.edu/pc.

HOUSE SPOTLIGHTS AND TRADITIONS

Some Houses have traditional programs that are informal or clublike in their relaxed approach to bringing people together. No essay or application is required and the groups are not necessarily based on a floor or cluster of rooms. Four examples include: the Du Bois OUR STORY mentorship program, Du Bois Cultural Production and Political Power, Harrison's Reading Community, and the Knitting Circle at Ware, which are open to all House residents, and are typically led by an enthusiastic, knowledgeable RA.

Program Communities List

OPEN TO
FIRST YEAR
STUDENTSOPEN TO
UPPERCLASS
STUDENTSOPTIONAL
ACADEMIC
CREDIT

WORLD CULTURES AND LANGUAGES

Ancient Studies		●	
Asian/Asian American Program Community		●	
International Program		●	
Latin American Residential Program		●	
Language & Cultures Program (Spanish, German, French, Mandarin Chinese)	●	●	●
Zulu in Residence	●	●	●

ARTS & LETTERS

Arts House		●	
Film Culture	●	●	●
Front Row Theatre & the Arts		●	
Goldberg Media & Communications Program	●		
Music and Social Change	●		●
Perspectives in the Humanities	●		
The Rodin Arts Collective (TRAC)		●	

SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING & MATH (STEM)

Biosphere: The Active Experience	●		
Engineers in the Arts		●	
Science & Technology Wing (STWing)	●		
Women in Computer Science	●		

IDENTITY & SELF

Balanced Living Community		●	
First Generation, First Step	●		
HarrisonQ		●	
Jewish Cultural Studies Program		●	
Muslim Life Residential Program		●	
Transfer Living Community		●	

LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT

Harrison Serves		●	
Health Care Innovation: Getting to Better Health	●		
Penn Women in Leadership	●		
Policy, Politics, and Social Change	●		
Research, Innovation, and Entrepreneurship	●		
Rodin Leadership Program		●	
Social Impact & Entrepreneurship		●	

PENN COURSE COMMUNITIES

Benjamin Franklin Scholars Residential Community	●		●
Huntsman Program for International Studies & Business	●		●
Management & Technology (M&T) Residential Community	●		

SPOTLIGHT ON FISHER HASSENFELD COLLEGE HOUSE

WENDY AND LEONARD GOLDBERG MEDIA & COMMUNICATIONS PROGRAM AT GOLDBERG HOUSE

The Wendy and Leonard Goldberg Media & Communications Program, nestled in the westernmost end of Fisher Hassenfeld College House in the Quad, is open to students in any major or academic field and provides ample space to live and work. The program is physically situated at the heart of a complex of buildings surrounding the beautiful Bluestone Courtyard – Foerderer, McKean, Baldwin, Class of 1887, and Craig – known collectively as Goldberg House. The beautiful Foerderer archway marks the entrance of the program, and the nearby Goldberg Media Lounge serves at the principal public space. Named for film producer Leonard Goldberg and his wife, Wendy, the program draws members who share an interest not only in film, but for all forms of communications media, including broadcasting, publishing, journalism, digital media, marketing, and public relations, and political communication. This program is designed for students who have a broad academic interest in mass media and communications, ranging from the advertising and mass media industries to television and film portrayals of particular groups to the ways in which digital media impact society. Residents in this program work together to design a media campaign that they envision and execute with the goal of generating a positive impact in their residential community. The campaign may include creating videos, writing a newsletter, designing advertisements, developing a blog, and/or other media-related activities. The program also includes communications-themed social activities, like movie nights and attending events in the Philadelphia area.

GOALS: This program provides interested students with an opportunity to engage in critical thought around the issues of mass media and to think about and discuss the ways in which media affect individuals' thoughts, attitudes, and behaviors as well as our society as a whole.





COMMUNITY

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For most students, the Penn experience is the first time they've lived away from home. For some, it's the first time they've lived so close to so many other interesting people: fellow students studying everything from developing economies to the art of the Tang Dynasty, faculty and professional staff from across the University's range of disciplines, and the families that those faculty and staff bring with them into the Houses. Our residents are not left to drift alone in the sometimes overwhelming world of academia: in the College Houses, relationships matter.

Here's how we build them.



Building Relationships

GET TO KNOW YOUR RA

Your first and best point of contact with your College House leadership is your RA. Every floor, section, or hall in the College Houses has a Resident Advisor assigned to live there and serve as a resource to the residents they live with. An undergraduate RA is a sophomore, junior, or senior in one of Penn's undergraduate schools, and a GRA is a graduate or professional student from one of the graduate schools at the University. Regardless of whether you have an RA or a GRA, this Resident Advisor has been trained by College Houses & Academic Services to serve as a resource person, advisor, counselor, and community facilitator for all the residents of their House. RAs know when and how to refer students who need specific help to appropriate University services. They can help you resolve issues or problems with a roommate or other person on your floor or hall. They can help you figure out ways to balance your academic life with all the other aspects of your Penn experience. RAs create programming in the Houses, facilitating educational, cultural, social, and recreational activities. They can also help you create events you want to see happen in your own House.

GET TO KNOW YOUR ROOMMATES AND FLOORMATES

Even in the most private communities like the high-rise apartment-style Houses, you won't be living alone at Penn. Your House will house hundreds of other Penn students, and forming good relationships with them will make your time in College Houses a much better experience! Your RA will arrange events and opportunities to get together with the other residents, and taking advantage of these low-key, fun events is a great way to meet your neighbors and keep life in your area fun, friendly and smooth. And if you have an idea for a fun activity that can bring your floor, hall or section together, suggest it to your RA. You won't regret taking the time to get to know your fellow residents and to build community, whether it's over cookies, TV or late-night board games.



Roommate Relations

HOW TO START OFF RIGHT

A year in a College House goes fast, but there is plenty of time to build a strong relationship with your roommate(s), whether to lay the foundations of a lasting friendship or simply develop the stable partnership necessary for a harmonious living arrangement. Finding out where they are coming from, both literally and figuratively, is an excellent place to start. Where is home? How did they spend their summer? What do they intend to study, and what extracurriculars might they participate in this year? What are their hobbies or passions, their favorite music, films, books, food, games, or sports teams? Where have they traveled, or where would they love to go? With some comfort level, you might discuss family, religion, or past or current relationships. In the process, you might discover that you have much in common; but do not

be surprised—or alarmed!—if there is a great difference as well. Penn students are from all over the world, from very different backgrounds; your roommate might be of different ethnicity or faith, and their lifestyle, dietary habits, and working hours might be markedly distinct from yours. One of the best aspects of University life is that you are exposed to a wide range of people, and one of the most important learning experiences you can have at Penn is learning to co-exist with those who seem different from you—a key life skill you will need after graduation! After covering some big picture items, be sure to discuss matters that will impact your day-to-day life: comfort level with guests (particularly overnight); sleeping schedules; interest in sharing food items, supplies, and technology; plans for keeping the room clean.

ROOMMATES = BEST FRIENDS? NOT NECESSARILY

It is important to keep your expectations in line with reality. Successful relationships of any kind do not require nor do they hinge on individuals within those relationships to become best friends. The same is true with roommates. It is highly likely that a majority of students would not identify their roommate as a best friend and yet still consider their relationship to be a very positive experience. This is often because roommates have invested time in learning about each other's background and interests and build upon this foundation by exhibiting respect for each other's needs. Keep in mind that you and your roommate(s) have the freedom to decide who your best friends will be, and if it is not each other that is perfectly fine!



It's important to negotiate expectations early in the roommate relationship.

ADOPT A "WIN-WIN" STRATEGY

It is important and even imperative to start early to think about negotiating an accommodating and comfortable living space for you and your roommate(s). One has to keep in mind that a win-win strategy for sharing a space with others is the best insurance for successful living. Here are a few pointers on how to proceed:

- Make your own list of all the factors that would make your living arrangement with others harmonious. Arrange the items on the list by order of importance to you.
- Suggest to your roommate(s) the same idea and ask them to make up their own list.
- One has to be thoughtful, respectful, and sensitive to others' living arrangement needs in order to establish a trusting relationship with roommates.

CLEAR AND OPEN COMMUNICATION IS OF KEY IMPORTANCE

After you have shared ideas about the living arrangement in your room, the next step is to consolidate the plans you have made in a form of a roommate agreement. The purpose of a roommate agreement is to keep open your lines of communication about issues and concerns as they arise in your living space. It is a tool that allows you to make use of the university policies to work out compromises for comfortable living and for preserving a lasting relationship with your roommate(s). A few tips to keep in mind:

- Ask your RA for a roommate agreement form to start the process.
- You RA should keep a copy of the agreement and could serve as a coordinator of the process and when needed as a mediator to find the best compromise.
- Don't discuss your roommate problems with others when you have not discussed them with your roommate first.
- Don't direct accusations towards your roommate based on an assumption or hearsay before inquiring about it directly with your roommate.
- Remember that you have a lot of support in your College House. Use the RA, the House Director, the Faculty Director, and the numerous resources on campus.



Appreciate differences and be open to the experience.

Living together involves blending lives and lifestyles. You may be living with a roommate who has very different traits, values, and habits. Your roommate most likely grew up in a different family, was educated in a different school, formed a different set of friends, and developed a set of values, beliefs, opinions, and habits that are different from your own. Living with a roommate gives you the opportunity to learn from someone very different from yourself. You should look at your living experience as another chance to learn about negotiation and compromise. It's likely that you'll learn a great deal about yourself while learning about someone new. Be open to the background and life experiences of your roommate, and be willing to share who you are in return. Living with someone new is not always easy, but who says it has to be hard?



Anticipating stress throughout the academic year

The college academic year will expose you to a whole new set of challenges. From the intensity of meeting hundreds of new people during move-in and orientation, to the possibility of spending major holidays away from your family for the first time, to ending the academic year and saying goodbye to friends who have become your family, the year will bring many different new experiences your way. At Penn, you will feel that you will be in a constant state of mid-terms – that will be your reality! You should recognize that during your most challenging week in the semester, your roommate may have an easy week, and vice versa. The most important reminder is to continue being respectful to your roommate during this time. If you think about the academic year chronologically, you can recognize some of the stressors that might be most impactful:

- **Move-in and Orientation** (it's stressful to meet hundreds of people!)
- **Classes begin** (it's likely you'll be a bit more busy than you've ever been before)
- **MID-TERMS!**
- **Finding new friend groups and clubs** (as you find who you are at Penn, you and your roommate could grow apart, or you could grow closer)
- **Thanksgiving** (for many students, this might be the first major holiday away from family)
- **FINAL EXAMS!**
- **Winter Holidays** (many students will visit family for the first time in the year...this may cause added stress)
- **Spring semester begins** (it can be difficult to readjust to life back at Penn)
- **Fraternity/sorority recruitment** (maybe you join the same organization, or not... or neither of you join one. Regardless, it can be a stressful time)
- **Making housing decisions for next year**
- **MID-TERMS!**
- **Winter in Philly** (it can feel like it lasts forever...)
- **Spring Break** (finally)
- **More MID-TERMS!**
- **Spring Fling, Hey Day, and the end of school** (it's a great social time, but you still need to be thinking about your academics)
- **FINAL EXAMS!**
- **Move out** (it can be stressful too... and it's hard to say goodbye, but you made it through your year at Penn!)

An academic year for a college student seems like it might be long, but it goes by quickly. Continue respecting your roommate and keep the lines of communication open. If you do this, you're sure to have a great year!

Health and Wellness Resources

Visit upennwellness.com for these and other resources:

Student Health and Counseling: Counseling Services

Free, confidential, individual and group therapy and advocacy, including for stress reduction

215-898-7021

Student Health and Counseling: Medical Services

Affordable, accessible primary, preventative, and specialty health care for all students.

215-746-3535

Student Intervention Services

Support, referrals, and case management for critical matters or emergencies involving safety and wellness.

215-898-6081

Office of Alcohol and Other Drug Program Initiatives

Non-judgmental, confidential interventions regarding drug and alcohol use and concerns.

215-573-3525

Academic Support

One-on-one advising and assistance in each of the four undergraduate schools.

- The College of Arts and Sciences | 215-898-6341
- Wharton | 215-898-7608
- Engineering and Applied Science | 215-898-7246
- Nursing | 215-898-6687

Office of the Chaplain

Pastoral support, guidance, informal advising, counseling and referrals.

215-898-8456

Cultural Resource Centers

Advocacy, support, and academic, cultural, and social programming at:

- Greenfield Intercultural Center | 215-898-3358
- The Center for Hispanic Excellence: La Casa Latina | 215-746-6043
- Lesbian Gay Bisexual Transgender Center | 215-898-5044
- Makuu: The Black Cultural Center | 215-573-0823
- African-American Resource Center | 215-898-0104
- Pan-Asian American Community House | 215-746-6046
- Penn Women's Center | 215-898-8611

Help Line

24/7 assistance from the Division of Public Safety for time-sensitive help navigating Penn's health and wellness resources.

215-898-HELP
(215-898-4357)

Reach-A-Peer Line (RAP Line)

Peer support, information, and referrals from students to students, nightly from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. or online.

215-573-2RAP
(215-573-2727)

Weingarten Center

Provides instruction on improving academic skills and provides services to students with disabilities of all kinds.

215-573-9235

First Generation Low Income Program

Assistance for first-generation and/or low-income students, including Penn First, a student-run support organization.

215-898-3358





BELONGING

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You have to try hard to get bored at Penn, given the huge variety of activities on offer. On any given evening on campus, you'll find dozens of speakers, club activities, social events, concerts, sporting events and a host of other ways to keep yourself active and engaged with the Penn community. You'll discover that many of these events take place right at home, sponsored and hosted by members of the House communities we build every year. You belong in the College Houses. Here's how we make opportunities to get involved.



Ways to get involved

Each of Penn’s College Houses has distinctive attributes that set it apart from the rest—unique facilities, philosophies, traditions. But on a fundamental level, they are all communities where students not only live alongside faculty and administrative staff, but take an active role in utilizing those facilities, deepening those philosophies, and maintaining those traditions... while building new ones, of course. The College Houses are not strictly top-down organizations, where the elder statesmen make all the decisions, but rather interactive neighborhoods in which residents of any class year passionate about their new homes away from home can make their mark, now and for the future. The leadership opportunities vary from House to House, as befits the way each has evolved over the years; some have House Councils, in which students are elected by their peers as spokespeople for their hall or suite; Stouffer has a steering committee that meets regularly to oversee the budget and make decisions on programming; and Lauder College House offers a number of House Collectives, in which students can share (and debate!) ideas around topics like research, sustainability and diversity.

If running House events is not your thing, there are plenty of other opportunities to be active and present in the community. Houses are staffed by student tech employees who directly assist students with technical issues,

ensure labs are operating smoothly, loan out laptops, and promote tech initiatives within CHAS. Some Houses have cafés where residents serve up much-needed caffeine at all hours; others have office staffs, where residents lend out equipment, manage facility reservations and answer all sorts of questions from their peers.

Not that you need to have such a prominent and potentially time-consuming role in your House to play your part; the easiest way to get involved, to get to know your housemates (including the faculty and staff) and to familiarize yourself with your surroundings is simply to participate in the endless assortment of events happening every week. Check out the calendar on your House website, or track down the RA on your hall to stay abreast of what’s on the table in the coming days, whether the goings-on are tailored for your individual hall, for a residential program, for the entire House, or even as part of a campus-wide initiative; for example, you can join your Housemates to compete in intramural sports, or enter your own masterpieces in the Penn Student Film Festival. The College Houses are not meant to be generic dorms, to feel like impersonal apartment buildings; they are vital, thriving communities, and to take full advantage of them you can’t be passive. Your first step is to venture out to see what’s happening—we guarantee you there’s a lot.



Signature Programs

In addition to the huge variety of events each College House hosts every semester, the Office of College Houses and Academic Services supervises programs that span the entire College House system. These “Signature Programs” are open to students in every House, and participation is solicited during the school year, so you don’t have to make a commitment before you’ve had a chance to settle in. Whether you’re more comfortable combing the library to prepare for a research presentation, practicing for the flute concerto you’re planning to share with the House community, or spiking the ball over the net for the last point, the College House Signature Programs offer plenty of opportunities to share your talents with your friends, neighbors, and the Penn community.

Music in the Houses

The College House Music Program is a joint initiative of the College Houses and the Department of Music that provides partially subsidized private musical instruction to undergraduate students while bringing professional performances, master classes, and other musical events of the highest quality to the Penn community. Combining the exceptional musical talents of its instructors with the convenience and community of the College Houses, the program also sponsors College House Music Fellows, undergraduates who undertake a musical project on behalf of their House community.

The Second Year Experience

If you’re starting your second year at Penn, it can sometimes feel like you’ve been left to drift on your own. Charting your own course as a sophomore can be exciting but it can also come with a big dose of anxiety. The College Houses are committed to making your second year incredible by linking you to the resources you need to keep yourself healthy, happy, and connected. The University and CHAS offer a variety of exclusive opt-in events and activities to help you achieve your goals, make a meaningful transition from a first-year to an upperclass student, provide opportunities to mentor first-years and get guidance from juniors, seniors and grad students as you move toward your junior year, and a chance to get special class gear to celebrate your second year at Penn.

Film and Cinema

In addition to the Film Culture residential program housed in Gregory College House, every year the College Houses host the three-evening Penn Student Film Festival featuring short films by student filmmakers from across the University and capped off with a gala screening of the top films. Penn students in the Cinema Studies Program as well as those from other disciplines are welcome to submit their work each year in any genre, and the winners are judged by a panel of cinema experts. The top three films win cash prizes and an audience favorite is awarded as well. This year’s top film, *The Beginning* by Dennis Sungmin Kim, and all the rest of the festival films can be viewed online at www.collegehouses.upenn.edu/life/filmfest.

College House Research Program

At Penn, undergraduates do research too! Each College House selects a College House Research Fellow who is given academic and monetary support to pursue an 18-month research project of their own design. Under the active mentorship of their House faculty, the Research Fellows also present informal research events in their Houses and present their findings at Penn’s Annual Undergraduate Research Conference during Quaker Days.





THE COLLEGE HOUSES

FOUR-YEAR COMMUNITIES

Du Bois, Gregory, and Stouffer College Houses in many ways represent the ideal College House experience. Residents have a much greater chance of getting to know one another on a deeper level, of building lifelong friendships and forging closer bonds with the residential faculty because their resident populations range from 180 to 350 and include members from all four academic years.

FIRST-YEAR COMMUNITIES

Fisher Hassenfeld, Hill, Kings Court English, Lauder, and Ware Houses are predominantly populated with first-year students ranging in size from 350 to 540 residents: what many consider to be traditional style first-year residence halls. The House architecture varies greatly; however, all offer new students a tremendous opportunity to create new friendships and to engage with the House faculty and staff.

UPPERCLASS COMMUNITIES

The College House at the Radian, an upscale apartment building, and Gutmann College House, a mid-rise building housing approximately 450 upperclass students in suite-style accommodations, have joined the high-rise Harnwell, Harrison and Rodin College Houses, each of which provides space for approximately 800 sophomore, junior and senior students in apartment-style living. Upperclass living tends to be more independent, though faculty and staff here are nothing short of miraculous in hosting events that bring the community together both intellectually and socially.

Each College House contains many common areas available to all residents for casual interaction, study, and a variety of other purposes. In general each House contains: multiple lounges, computer labs or smart study spaces, community printers, exercise/fitness/gaming rooms, library or dedicated study spaces, meeting rooms and larger multipurpose rooms, film or television viewing areas, and mail delivery areas.





"Celebrates its rich mosaic of engaged students"



W.E.B. Du Bois College House

dubois.house.upenn.edu

THE FACTS

- Focus on African American scholarship and culture
- Strong connection to the West Philadelphia community
- Private bedroom space for all residents

ROOM TYPES

Mostly apartment style, with efficiencies, 1, 2, 3 and 4 bedroom apartments with living room, bath, and most with a kitchenette.

HOUSE AMENITIES

4 floors, library, seminar rooms, computer lab, 1 large multipurpose room, 2 lounges with large screen TVs, music practice room, 2 pianos, kitchen, cardiovascular exercise and weight training room, recreation room, art gallery

Established in response to student demands in August 1972 amid protests and accusations of self-segregation, **Du Bois College House** has persevered and thrived for fifty years in its mission to support students of the African Diaspora by serving as a hub for activities that promote African and African American scholarship and culture. Its unique history and legacy instills a sense of pride in both its residents and alumni. This pride is evidenced in the physical environment of the House, in the spirit of the residents, and in the generosity of alumni who still consider Du Bois their "home away from home."

Du Bois hosts an annual series of events highlighting current issues pertinent to the Black community and provides leadership with community service initiatives like the ASE program, through which Du Bois undergraduates have mentored local K-12 students for over twenty years. Our residents don't stop serving the community once they graduate, either: through the Black Alumni Association (BAS), our alumni have made generous donations to the House, including an endowed scholarship that financially supports four students each year.

Du Bois College House offers every resident the opportunity to learn about cultures other than their own. We celebrate and recognize the diversity of our residents with annual events such as the Chinese New Year Celebration, the African Cultures Celebration, Natives at Penn's spirited, traditional spring Pow-Wow, and Makuu's annual Kwanzaa Celebration. Our signature program Cultural Production and Political Power allows residents to examine the ways Black, Native, and other underrepresented peoples produce culture and the ways this intersects with power and politics, and the signature Du Bois Fit program supports Wellness at Penn by creating programs that focus on the eight domains of wellness, including physical, emotional, social, intellectual, environmental, financial, occupational, and spiritual wellness.

The smallest of the College Houses, Du Bois provides a close-knit community. This sense of intimacy is maintained through the many house-wide events put on by the House Council and House staff. We also place priority on offering our undergraduates off-campus activities that will enhance their knowledge of the City of Brotherly Love, such as movie and theater outings, trips to restaurants and museums, and tickets to concerts and sporting events.

Total Student
Population:

159





"One of the coziest and smallest Houses"



Gregory College House

gregory.house.upenn.edu

THE FACTS

- Language and film program communities offer academic credit
- Private bedroom space for all residents; all suites have their own bathroom
- Full social calendar and opportunities for all classes in the House to make connections

ROOM TYPES

Mostly suite style, 1-4 bedrooms with microfridge units and private bathrooms

HOUSE AMENITIES

Van Pelt Manor: showcase cinema lounge; study room with reading library; Piano Lounge with grand piano and television; smart study spaces; pool table with adjoining community kitchen; extensive DVD loaning library; additional kitchen lounge; ample tables for study, work, and play

Class of 1925: "Greenhouse" with Isaiah Zagar mural and adjoining kitchen; smart study and meeting rooms; additional kitchen lounge; ping pong, foosball and pool tables; TV lounge; yoga studio

Gregory College House, small in size, cozy in feel, immersive in academic focus and overflowing with events, is a vibrant College House community where everyone feels connected, empowered, and supported. As the first House to incorporate live-in faculty, to offer academic credit for living-learning programs, and to organize student-run computer support and student-spearheaded event calendars, Penn's College House system was born in Van Pelt Manor and Class of 1925, the two matching four-story buildings that make up Gregory.

Gregory is a unique mix of independent living and the social; all residents, including first-year students, have plenty of privacy when they need it, but no community offers as many opportunities for students to hang out with their neighbors at regular social get-togethers. In the piano lounge of Van Pelt Manor you will likely see students dining with a visiting faculty member or engaging in group study. Next door our state-of-the-art Cinema Lounge will be showing a classic film or contemporary blockbuster on its giant screen, with a film manager on hand for follow-up discussion. Meanwhile, over in the Class of 1925 building, participants in our language houses will be conversing animatedly in Spanish, French, German, or Mandarin in our spacious greenhouse or yoga studio while engaging in an interactive culture activity.

Everyone from first-year students to seniors come together at gatherings like Bring Your Own Mug!, study breaks, film screenings, and Darkroom Cafe nightly meetups. You'll often find residents doing some collective cooking in the community kitchens, cheering or booing at the Oscar and Super Bowl parties, or bonding through House-led off-campus adventures like apple picking, a 76ers game, Broadway shows, Center City trips, and more. Gregory residents never experience a night where they cannot find company.

Total Student Population:

240





"Nothing comes
closer to home"



Stouffer College House

stouffer.house.upenn.edu

THE FACTS

- Ten-time College House Cup intramural champions
- Only College House with a patio; four year House with air-conditioned student rooms
- One of the highest year-to-year retention rates among the College Houses

ROOM TYPES

Mayer Hall: Mostly apartment style, with efficiencies, 1 and/or bedroom apartments with living room, bath, and most with kitchen or kitchenette

Stouffer Hall: Traditional dormitory style, with singles, doubles, or triple rooms

HOUSE AMENITIES

Mayer Hall: 7 floors, seminar room, computer lab, 3 TV lounges, piano, exercise room, pool table, ping pong table, foosball table

Stouffer Hall: 2 floors, study rooms, computer lab, darkroom, 6 lounges including 3 TV lounges, piano, shared kitchenettes with microwaves and stove tops, pool table, foosball table, air hockey, basketball court, hammocks

What is **Stouffer College House**? Stouffer is waking up one fall morning and heading off to the shower. On your way to the bathroom you check in with Dylan to find out about the freshmen study session tomorrow.

One shower later, you're back at your room and you see that TJ wrote a message on your dry erase board. TJ's your new friend and the only person you've ever met who has the exact same Netflix queue you do, though you've had plenty of Red Sox vs. Yankees arguments and debates about whether David Tennant or Matt Smith was the best Doctor. You're thinking you'll try to get a suite together in Mayer next year – funny how Stouffer College House is actually two buildings. The idea of your own bathroom, kitchen, and common room is appealing, especially if TJ's chili is as good as TJ claims. But you would miss the vibe in this weird maze that is Stouffer-Stouff... as everyone calls it.

Once you're dressed, you check your email. Looks like the Steering meeting is tonight! You go every week to listen to the ideas the other residents have for trips, projects, and other spending proposals. You have a pretty good idea you think you'll pitch next week. Stouffer is the only College House that allows residents that much say in how money is spent and you really like that. After Steering, maybe you'll just hang out in the lounge—a couple of Stoufferites are planning a late night Settlers of Catan session.

Huh, you think, this is exactly what you were hoping college would be like. Stouffer's motto is "Nihil Domo Similius" – "Nothing comes closer to home." Sure, they borrowed that from the frozen food company, but still, it sounds about right. This isn't just your House. This is your Home.

It's Stouffer.

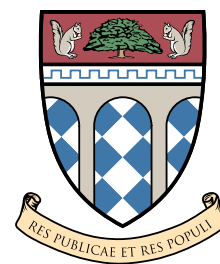
Total Student
Population:

277





"Be prepared to
participate"



Fisher Hassenfeld College House

fh.house.upenn.edu

THE FACTS

- Outdoor grilling and relaxing in the Bluestone Court
- Weekly study breaks hosted by House faculty
- The quietest of the three Quad Houses thanks to its architecture—but the only house with a drum kit!

ROOM TYPES

Traditional dormitory style, with singles, doubles, and triple rooms

HOUSE AMENITIES

4 floors; library; computer lab; seminar room; 2 music practice rooms; piano; Goldberg Media Lounge; Class of 2000 Parents Garden; Bluestone Courtyard; pool table; multiple lounges

Head down any of the historic hallways in **Fisher Hassenfeld** and you are bound to run into a lively group headed to the lounge for snacks and a movie, a faculty resident, or students on their way over to say 'hi!' Around here, we are known for our care and concern for one another, our ties to the surrounding Philadelphia community, and our shared interest in leaving the world better than we found it.

Fisher Hassenfeld is home, where you will make lifelong friends and learn new things about yourself and others. What makes FH so special are the diverse and energetic people who choose to live here and participate as curious and respectful community members. Residents can feel at home by throwing a frisbee or kicking a soccer ball around in the upper Quad, or stopping by their RA's room to seek advice or eat a late-night snack.

In Fisher, we explore famous, hidden aspects of Philadelphia together, and we encourage you to push yourself out of your comfort zone. We truly believe in becoming active global citizens, while also making positive contributions to the community around us. Be sure to take advantage of our many excursions which center upon experiencing the cultural, historical, and recreational riches of Philadelphia.

You will come to experience many aspects of life at Penn, but residents of the Fisher Hassenfeld community always look forward to coming home after a busy day of classes and campus activities. Whether it's outdoor movies, weekend brunches, Affinity spaces, bonfires with s'mores 'n more, seasonal BBQs, math or biology tutoring, or writing help from our faculty-in-residence "Paper Doctor," Fisher Hassenfeld blends fun, learning and conversation in a relaxed and friendly community. Join us in Fisher Hassenfeld, where we help to develop the talents and interests of our students!

Total Student
Population:

450





"The most
social House"

Hill College House

hill.house.upenn.edu



THE FACTS

- Completely renovated in 2017
- Ideally located near major academic buildings, libraries, retail shops, and athletic fields
- Unique architecture fosters close-knit community

ROOM TYPES

Traditional style, with singles, doubles, and large singles

HOUSE AMENITIES

5 Floors; in-House dining facility; elevator; private dining room; computer lab; music practice room; large screen TVs; game room; communal kitchens, lounges, and study rooms; outdoor terrace; fitness room

Hill House is a vibrant residential community with a special commitment to first year students. The House Director, Faculty Director, House Fellows, and Resident Advisors are dedicated to providing residents with personal and professional assistance to successfully transition to University life both intellectually and socially. Internationally renowned architect Eero Saarinen, whose design concept was grounded in the idea of a small village, self-sufficient, inward-focused and protected, designed Hill House with spaces that foster communication, collaboration and community. Students are drawn to this community for the sense of belonging and personal relationships fostered by the architecture.

At Hill College House, we care deeply about integrating first-year students into a community that will ultimately launch them into a successful career at Penn, and beyond. We live in a space that was quite literally built to connect people to one another, and we take that very seriously. We also have a lot of fun in the process.

Congratulations on getting admitted to Penn, and we look forward to welcoming you to Hill College House!

Total Student
Population:

489





"A rich, fulfilling
experience"



Kings Court English College House

kcech.house.upenn.edu

THE FACTS

- Adjoining low-rise buildings with a garden courtyard and green roof
- Bright, attractive in-House dining room
- High-tech Media Room provides common space with multimedia capabilities

ROOM TYPES

Traditional dormitory style, with singles and doubles

HOUSE AMENITIES

Library; Class of 1972 Computer Lab; seminar room; Bluestone Courtyard; Class of 1938 Media Room; roof top terrace; game room; roof top lounge; kitchen; study space; elevator

Penn Alumni frequently reminisce about their fond memories of **Kings Court English College House**, one of the University's best-kept secrets. Tucked snugly away in one of the campus's most vibrant corners, KCECH offers students a rich, fulfilling experience fostered by the caring and close-knit members of its community.

KCECH houses five remarkable program communities: STWing, Biosphere, PIH, Huntsman and WICS. These communities have a profound impact on the House identity, drawing some of Penn's most diverse students. When not studying or engaging in extracurricular activities, students can be found meeting and discussing with Penn faculty in the dining hall, gardening and planting flowers outside, participating in cultural performances in our common spaces, and perhaps most importantly, taking part in their very first family at the University. Kings Court English College House is a safe "playground" full of possibilities for fun, friendship, peer learning, and leadership skills. It also constitutes a laboratory that fosters debate, knowledge integration, and intellectual growth.

Join in regular House-sponsored activities such as Sunday brunches, cultural dinners, Penn faculty talks, language tables and study breaks, cultural exhibitions, student concerts, trips, and intramural games. Our students take the lead in generating and running most of the events such as the Rube Goldberg Competition, Robotics Fair, Lecture Series, Penn Author Forum, Garden and Library Clubs, and Tech Times. In our House, follow your passion and you will make a difference!

KCECH consists of two separate houses, English House and Kings Court, connected by our award-winning courtyard, one of the community's most beautiful and historic green spaces. Adorning its outdoor walls are murals by the world-renowned artist, Isaiah Zagar, known for his vibrant and colorful mosaics. On the rooftop, KCECH hosts one of Penn's first green roof projects and a cozy café and lounge for students to relax and interact with their peers.

Total Student
Population:

338





"A community of
citizen scholars"

Lauder College House

lauder.house.upenn.edu



THE FACTS

- Since its opening in 2016, students have continued to shape the House's traditions and culture
- Faculty in residence offer access to research opportunities and a global perspective
- First LEED-certified College House reduces environmental impact

ROOM TYPES

3-to-6 person units, each with single occupancy rooms that share a bathroom and common room

HOUSE AMENITIES

Lounges on each floor; music rooms; Multimedia Room; seminar rooms; in-House dining hall; green roofs; private courtyard

Lauder College House is located in the northeastern corner of Penn's campus, on the expansive and historic Hill Field. It carries LEED Silver Certification from the U.S. Green Building Council, meaning that we take our sustainability seriously! From our Green Roof to our Courtyard, which functions as a sponge to slowly return rainwater to the ground and the nearby Schuylkill River, we're invested as a community in actions big and small that can have a positive impact on our environment. Over the course of the year, we'll also, of course, use our courtyard as a gathering space for social events, group or personal study--or just taking in the rays. And in the winter, you can sit by a cozy fire in our Living Room and watch the Philadelphia sleet and snow through the window.

As a member of our community, you have the opportunity to imagine and craft your own experiences. By living in Lauder College House, we intend to grow and develop as individuals and as active citizens in our residential, Penn, Philadelphia, and future communities. Together, we implement this by raising our consciousness of what's happening in the world around us, building a community where belonging is centered, developing our skills to thrive in various situations, and exploring the world and our responsibilities to the communities we belong to. What will your contribution be?

Lauder is more than just a house, it's a home: your home, our home.

Note: Lauder is typically a four-year College House, but during the renovations of the Quadrangle in 2023-2027, it will house first-year students exclusively.

Total Student
Population:

342





"Good food,
good company"



Riepe College House

riepe.house.upenn.edu

THE FACTS

- Offers a very popular medical school information series
- Famous for incredible home-cooked meals, picnics, barbecues
- Surrounds the peaceful Baby Quad and the Oval Garden

ROOM TYPES

Traditional dormitory style, with singles, doubles, or triple rooms

HOUSE AMENITIES

5 floors; Ashhurst Seminar Room and Lounge; Provosts' Tower Lounge with kitchen; Finkelstein Lounge with TV; Oval Garden; student-run convenience store; pool, ping pong, and foosball tables; elevator; computer lab; music practice rooms

Veritas et Honestas, which translates as "Truth and Honor," is the official **Riepe College House** motto; however, "good food, good company" has become its unofficial motto. At Riepe, social and intellectual pursuits are skillfully integrated into everyday life.

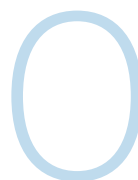
In fact, Riepe faculty and staff pride themselves on their welcoming spirit. Our event calendar always features a nice mixture of homecooked and catered comfort food dinners, study breaks, Sunday brunches, pancake breakfasts, and outdoor picnics and barbecues.

Riepe residents also participate in many off-campus events. Last year's line-up included tickets to the opening night concert of the Philadelphia Orchestra at the Kimmel Center for the Performing Arts, Phillies baseball at Citizen's Bank Park, a Philadelphia 76ers basketball game at the Wells Fargo Center, tickets to the New Jersey Adventure Aquarium and Philadelphia Flower Show, and several local soccer matches.

However, for many Riepe-ites it is simply their life at "home" that makes their first year experience so warm and so much fun. There are House social events such as midnight brunches during Reading Days and final exams and long-standing house-wide traditions such as the late summer Baby Quad picnic and the Holiday Foods Fest— along with yummy study breaks and a myriad of other "pop-up" events. Whether it is achieved through casual exchanges, at-home get-togethers or organized study groups, Riepe has a social ease that helps residents bond and thrive.

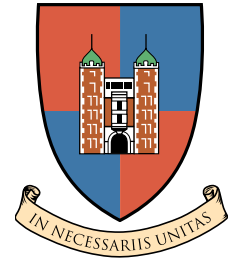
Note: Riepe College House is closed for renovations during academic year 2023-2024. It will reopen in fall 2024.

Total Student
Population:





"Welcome to the Warewolf Pack"



Ware College House

ware.house.upenn.edu

THE FACTS

- Dinner with Interesting People brings a variety of guests to the House
- The only College House with a mascot: the Warewolf
- Home of McClelland Café

ROOM TYPES

Traditional hall style, with singles, doubles, and a few triple rooms

HOUSE AMENITIES

5 floors; library; computer lab; multiple seminar rooms; two music practice rooms; Memorial Tower Lounge with kitchen; Friedman Fitness Center; elevator

We've all seen that scene from TV or the movies where the eager young first year walks onto campus for the first time and sees wide green fields framed by 19th-century architecture. The first year walks past some guys throwing a Frisbee, into her college home and into her room. It's got a dormered window with slanted ceilings, hard wood floors perhaps a little worn, but it's homey and full of potential. Within a few scenes she has met her roommate and hallmates. They're diverse, quirky, brilliant, funny, and loveable. What a crew to spend a year with! Fade out.

Yeah, Hollywood. Silly, huh? But what if we told you that's all real? What if we told you Penn has a place just like that?

"Where is this place?" you ask. You guessed it—**Ware** is this place.

Ware is one of three College Houses located in the Quad. It stands right in the middle between Fisher Hassenfeld and Riepe and includes the Junior Balcony, Memorial Tower Library, Top of the Tower Lounge, and McClelland Cafe. Ware's also the only College House with its own mascot—the Warewolf.

The word "community" gets used a lot these days. But your College House is a true community, the first one you'll be a part of at Penn. Who knows what will happen in those first few weeks at Ware? Will you have a heated late-night debate? Will you change your mind or someone else's, or just come to appreciate a perspective you never thought of before? You have a chance to learn something from every single person you meet in college—not just professors, but fellow students, staff, administrators, and the people of Philadelphia. So your first real teachers at Penn will be your fellow Warewolves. You won't be the same person you were when you started after a year in Ware.

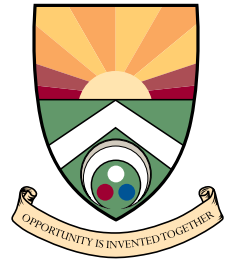
Almost all of Ware's residents are first years. Ware's residents all start their time here with the goal of shaping their college experience their way, to meet their needs. If there is one thing you'll learn in Ware, it's that there's no one right way to have a College House experience. Ware is about you blazing the right trail for you.

You only get one first year of college. And, no, of course it won't be like something you've seen on TV or in a movie. It'll be yours. If you're asking "where's the best place for me to start?" you may already have found your answer.

Total Student
Population:

485





"A new world
of possibilities"

Gutmann College House

gutmann.house.upenn.edu



THE FACTS

- The newest addition to the College Houses, residents are still putting their personal stamp on the legacy of the House
- A spectacular location with close amenities both inside and outside the House
- Features the first Quaker Kitchen in the College Houses, for interactive culinary presentations

ROOM TYPES

2-bed and 4-bed suites with one bath; 5-bed and 6-bed suites with two baths

HOUSE AMENITIES

Multipurpose room; coffee bar; campus green; common living room; tinker space; seminar rooms; fitness room; meditation room; music practice rooms; club rooms with kitchen; laundry room

The newest College House on campus is entering its third year with a new name! Amy Gutmann, Penn's former President and now the United States Ambassador to Germany, has lent her name to **Gutmann College House**, designed from the ground up to support the community goals of the College Houses at Penn.

Situated at the far western edge of campus (at 40th Street between Walnut and Locust Walk, next to Rodin and Du Bois College Houses), Gutmann College House is the residence of about 430 second-years, juniors, and seniors. Gutmann provides all the benefits that come with a College House—faculty leadership and neighbors in the House, and a dedicated staff of professionals to assist with residents' needs, along with a team of student Resident Advisors to provide social and educational programming within the House.

Gutmann College House has been built to include state-of-the-art in-House amenities, with communal study areas, common living and social spaces, seminar and music practice rooms, and other features that encourage the community that our on-campus residents have come to expect in the College Houses. Gutmann is the home of the Quaker Kitchen, a new concept in dining featuring a unique dining experience with fresh, locally-sourced ingredients. GCH also features a coffee bar, a meditation room, a fitness space, six club rooms with kitchens, and a tinker space. With 2, 4, 5 and 6-bed suites and a location close to tons of dining and shopping options, Gutmann College House has been a great addition to the College House family!

Total Student
Population:

436





"Live Well at Harnwell"



Harnwell College House

harnwell.house.upenn.edu

THE FACTS

- Facilities support every kind of activity (dance gallery, nine pianos, theater space, lounges)
- Café du Soleil provides coffee and more in-House, giving you all the creature comforts at home
- Home to dynamic program communities, some of the oldest in CHAS history

ROOM TYPES

Mostly apartment style, with efficiencies, 1, 2, 3 and 4 bedroom apartments with living room, bath, and most with kitchen or kitchenette

HOUSE AMENITIES

Rooftop Lounge with kitchen; Class of 1921 Lounge on the Mezzanine (with café, and large screen TV); lounges on every floor; Dungeon performance/rehearsal space; dance gallery; computer lab; library; exercise room; meeting rooms; two music practice rooms; 2 grand pianos and 7 uprights; seasonal air conditioning; open for winter break; elevators

Named after **Gaylord Probasco Harnwell**, Penn's president from 1953–70, our high-rise College House cultivates friendly, open communities in which cultural and intellectual exchange is balanced by civility and mutual respect. Enriched by the Cultures Collective, Ancient Studies Program Community, Arts House Program Community and Eco-House: Environmental Program Community, we feature a wealth of artistic and inviting endeavors and a House calendar filled with engaging activities.

Our Rooftop Lounge (RTL) is a premier space on campus where we host our House traditions, such as weekly Probasco Family Dinners, as well as our annual Sapphire Ball and Casino Night. The RTL is also home to resident-led programming, such as yoga, fitness bootcamps, and study breaks. On our mezzanine, you will find the Café du Soleil, and the Library and Computer Lab, both located on the first floor, offer the options of cozy study nooks with quick access to computers and tech assistance. A versatile basement called the "Dungeon" serves as a small gallery and recreation room, while also housing two practice rooms – one of which boasts a recently reconditioned Steinway piano. You can find eight more pianos throughout the House, along with a dance gallery and an a capella practice room.

Beyond the building, our home is defined by its people. Intelligence, integrity, and initiative are the hallmarks of not only our residents, but also RAs and Managers. Their dedication and kindness set the tone for our caring community. Our Intramural team, the Harnwell Bowties, exemplifies House spirit – Bowties have more fun! With a dynamic Senior Staff at the helm, unique opportunities to interact with residents abound – such as providing research guidance, extending invitations to dine in faculty apartments, and surprising residents with pop-up events.

What does it mean to live well at Harnwell? It means becoming part of a House that's a home, where you can grow and contribute holistically as you pursue your intellectual endeavors at Penn. Live well. Live well at Harnwell.

Total Student
Population:

772





"A big House
with a big heart"



Harrison College House

harrison.house.upenn.edu

THE FACTS

- Café Prima, the best coffee house and commissary on campus
- Harrison Saturday Night offers social events every weekend
- Dinner and informal conversation with 35-40 faculty members each year

ROOM TYPES

Mostly apartment style, with efficiencies, 1, 2, 3 and 4 bedroom apartments with living room, bath, and most with kitchen or kitchenette

HOUSE AMENITIES

Heyer Sky Lounge with kitchen and baby grand piano; Robinette Lounge; TV lounges on evennumbered floors (2-16, 20); Café Prima; 24-hour computer lab; exercise room; pool tables; multimedia classroom; DVD/video library; wide screen TV; music practice room with several upright pianos; seasonal air conditioning, elevators; open winter break

Harrison College House brings Penn home to its residents to effect the seamless integration between education in the classroom and the life beyond. The house with the largest number of residents and student staff, Harrison is a big house with a big heart, waiting to partner with student groups throughout Penn's campus.

Through the regular Dinner and Conversation series, Harrisonians invite their favorite members of Penn's faculty into the house to meet students in a relaxed, convivial setting. Table Talk Conversations, organized through Penn's International Affairs Association, invite faculty members for discussions and debates on topical issues. Departments throughout campus partner with Harrison to showcase the work of their students and foster a greater sense of collaboration between students and faculty.

Harrison Saturday Night events provide opportunities for Harrisonians who wish to stay close to home on any given Saturday night a low-pressure opportunity to socialize with events ranging from Quizzo hosted by the House Director, arts and crafts, dance lessons, and laser tag. Through the Harrison Friday Night movie series, students select either a cult classic or a newly released film to watch together. The Harrison Anime Club also meets every Friday evening, as it has since 2001, to welcome all with a shared interest in all things anime. Once a month Harrison hosts house-wide brunches, bringing the broad array of Harrison residents together through their shared love for bagels, fruit, and yogurt.

If you can imagine it, you can build it in Harrison. Harrison boasts the largest staff of student workers ready to help all bring ideas for social interaction into reality. Residents are encouraged to work with staff to create programs of their own design, to present their research through Harrison's Academic Work-in-Progress series, create a partnership between Harrison House and the various groups and activities in which they participate to co-sponsor events.

Total Student
Population:

792





The College House at the Radian

radian.house.upenn.edu

THE FACTS

- The College House at the Radian will be headed up by the faculty and staff of Riepe College House in 2023-2024

ROOM TYPES

1, 2, 3 and 4 bedroom apartments with living room, bath, and kitchen or kitchenette

HOUSE AMENITIES

Elevators; in-unit laundry; fitness center; seasonal air conditioning

Due to major renovations in the Quadrangle over the next three years, Penn has chosen to lease The Radian to ensure that we have enough rooms to meet the needs of our students. For the span of these three academic years, the **College House at the Radian** will provide both a place to live and a spirited community for upperclass students. With 14 floors and a variety of apartment-style room types, the College House at the Radian will be a community of sophomores, juniors, and seniors who enjoy the privacy apartment-style living affords but also appreciate the camaraderie, engagement and fun that comes from living in a College House. The resident Faculty Director, House Faculty Fellows, House Director, and Resident Advisors are dedicated individuals interested in providing personal and professional developmental opportunities for upperclass students. Located on Walnut Street between 39th and 40th Streets, the College House at the Radian will offer easy access to classes, shopping, dining and entertainment; the House also offers in-unit laundry facilities and a 24-hour fitness center.

Total Student
Population:

462





"To be,
rather than to seem"



Rodin College House

rodin.house.upenn.edu

THE FACTS

- Annual Program Community Performance Showcase
- Programming designed to enhance the sophomore year experience
- Active House Council organizes events and implements House improvements

ROOM TYPES

Mostly apartment style, with efficiencies, 1, 2, 3 and 4 bedroom apartments with living room, bath, and most with kitchen or kitchenette

HOUSE AMENITIES

Rooftop Lounge with baby grand piano; mezzanine lounge; DVD library; yoga mats; meditation pillows; extensive board game selection; seminar rooms and study spaces; study lounges on all floors; computer lab; movie screening room with plasma TV and state-of-the art sound system; underground lounge with two music practice rooms; pool table; open for winter break; elevators; seasonal air conditioning

Named for Judith Rodin, the first woman to serve permanently in the role of President of an Ivy League university and Penn's first alumna President (1994–2004), **Rodin College House** is full of opportunity from its ground floor lobby to the very highest floor. At the top of the high rise, our Rooftop Lounge hosts event and study space surrounded by a view that can only be described as breathtaking. Downstairs in the House Office and Rodin Resource Room, you will find helpful student staff along with a host of amenities to make your life in Rodin more comfortable. Throughout the building are quiet study spaces for individuals or groups to utilize, and the basement level hosts two music practice rooms.

Rodin offers a variety of opportunities for students to engage with interests beyond a classroom setting. Our program communities include TRAC (The Rodin Arts Collective), Jewish Cultural Studies, Rodin Leadership Program, and the Balanced Living Community. You could take part in a discussion hosted by a Rodin faculty member. A popular past event was "Research Roadmap: Learn R in an Hour" hosted by Prof. Daniel Gillion, Faculty Director of Rodin. The #rodinCARES team provides programs to support balance in the life of our residents such as yoga, meditation, and outings across Philadelphia. Another great way to get involved is House Council, a student governing board that works to improve the Rodin experience.

The Rodin staff works hard to provide experiences that will appeal to any interest. Every other Tuesday, stop by the lobby for Tower Hour, our bi-weekly study break filled with fun and food. Join us for Rodin_24, a dinner and discussion series. Keep an eye out for other great Rodin activities such as Sunday Brunch, Sophomore Snacks, and Monday Morning Mirth.

We cannot wait for Rodin to be a part of your University of Pennsylvania story.

Total Student
Population:

780





IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR RESIDENTS

The College Houses are actively engaged in developing responsible citizens and healthy communities. With a commitment to appropriate behavior on the part of our residents and with the support of the staff of the College Houses, College House Technology, Penn Video Network, and Dining Services, we create a high-quality living environment that encourages intellectual and social pursuits.



College House Community Standards

PHILOSOPHY ON STUDENT BEHAVIOR IN COLLEGE HOUSES

Residential communities are an integral component of the educational mission of the University of Pennsylvania. College Houses provide an opportunity for Penn students, faculty and staff to live and learn together as a community of scholars. It is the responsibility of each member of the community to observe standards of conduct that permit other residents to live in and maintain a safe, secure environment that is conducive to academic and personal success.

College Houses are actively engaged in the process of encouraging the development of responsible citizens and healthy communities. Responsible membership in a community – citizenship – requires that all members of the community learn to express their individuality as well as to understand and consider the impact that expression has on others. A positive sense of community develops only when individuals assume responsibility to work towards the successful participation of all members. Essential to this process is each resident's responsibility to openly communicate with other members of the community.

College House staff provide support through relationships that focus on care and concern and through the maintenance of clear boundaries for appropriate and safe behavior. These boundaries are important because they encourage predictable environments and ensure that individual behavior does not interfere with the legitimate rights of other members of the community.

Students can gain personal insight and learn the responsibilities of citizenship by being held accountable for their own behaviors.

All University of Pennsylvania students and guests are expected to adhere to the College House Policies and Terms of Occupancy, as well as all University rules and regulations that students and guests are charged to know and observe. No system of standards can fully address in specific fashion all possible situations that arise. When these standards do not address specific behavior, students are expected to conduct themselves with a spirit of social responsibility and respect for the rights and needs of others. Behavior that violates the spirit of College House Policies and Terms of Occupancy may be addressed, as appropriate to the context and circumstances of the behavior.

A complete listing of College House Policies and Terms of Occupancy appears in a variety of printed and web-based materials produced by College Houses & Academic Services and the Department of Residential Services. These materials include but are not limited to the College House Resource Guide, Residential Handbook, web-based materials and the Penn Book. A summary of existing regulations appears in this section. New or modified rules will be publicized as warranted.



College House Policies and Services for Campus

The following policies are general College House guidelines and a point of reference for using space or engaging with the House communities.

CHALKING POLICY

Residents and student groups are permitted to advertise via chalk art on flat horizontal surfaces at the entrances to the College Houses (sidewalks, steps, patios, etc.) with the following restrictions:

- All chalking must occur in uncovered locations only so rain can serve as a cleaning agent.
- All vertical surfaces are off limits for chalk art (including such spaces as upright walls, brick exteriors, or University signage.)

CONFERENCE HOSTING POLICY

Due to the academic and personal needs of residential students, College Houses only permits overnight guest hosting for events sponsored through University of Pennsylvania offices. As an example, the Office of Admissions may host prospective students overnight in April each year and athletic recruiting overnights throughout the year. These events may extend over a two to three-day period. Other University departments or student organizations wishing to host conferences or special events should consult with College Houses & Academic Services.

RESIDENTIAL EVENT ACCESSIBILITY AND ACCOMMODATION POLICY

The University of Pennsylvania seeks to ensure that students and guests with disabilities have appropriate access to events hosted in the College Houses, regardless of sponsor. College Houses are committed to this goal and are available to work with any program event sponsor or student.

College Houses working with the Weingarten Center employ a variety of ways to provide accessibility to residence hall events. Some methods of accommodation include provision of technology, personal assistance, or, where programs or activities initially are scheduled in physically inaccessible locations, by relocation. When scheduling an event, please contact the specific College House office to ensure that the space you are using will meet the needs of those needing accommodation.

Individuals seeking accommodations in order to participate in a College House event, or who have questions about the accessibility of a College House event, should contact the College House where the event is scheduled or the sponsor of the event. They are encouraged to provide as much advance notice as possible so that there is sufficient time to provide accommodation or to relocate an event.

CANVASSING AND SOLICITATION POLICY

Canvassing or solicitation for funds, sales, or subscriptions in University buildings is prohibited unless written permission is granted by the building administrator. Soliciting or selling goods and services in areas of the residential buildings not designated for such purposes is not permitted.

Permission to raise funds or conduct sales in designated areas of the campus to support the activities of student groups may be granted by the Office of Student Life Activities and Facilities in accordance with the Campus Vending Policy: catalog.upenn.edu/pennbook/canvassing/

Likewise, residents, visitors, guests, and campus organizations may not conduct or solicit commercial business in the residential buildings. Solicitation is defined as any activity designed to advertise, promote or sell any product or commercial service or encourage support for or membership in any group, association or organization and includes door-to-door canvassing. This includes leafleting under room doors and similar unapproved marketing efforts. Soliciting/selling includes conducting a business in a University residence such as baby-sitting, beer distribution or selling such items as food, raffle tickets, magazines, candy bars, etc.

POSTING AND FLYERING POLICY

This policy covers posting within the Penn College Houses. Posting elsewhere in the University is covered by the University Poster Policy. Posting on floors or in lobbies requires the approval of each House Office. Postings and notices in these areas are reserved for the College House, CHAS, Residential Services and Facilities. Any exceptions to this may only be granted by College House staff.

Open posting by students and groups is available only in certain locations and on designated public boards:

- Du Bois: Upper lobby bulletin board
- Kings Court English: Boards facing mailboxes on first floor; board near bike rack; boards on ground floors facing elevators

- High Rises (Harnwell, Harrison, and Rodin): Residential floors including roof top lounge on the designated side of the elevator bays
- Lauder: Dining Center bulletin board
- Quad (Fisher Hassenfeld, Riepe and Ware): All exterior courtyard bulletin boards

There is no open posting at this time in Gregory, Gutmann, Hill, and Stouffer College Houses.

Public Posting Guidelines:

- Leafleting under doors and soliciting are prohibited within all residences
- No more than one or two copies of a poster may be placed on an open board and should be promptly removed when information is outdated
- Posters should not exceed the size of 11 x 17 inches
- Posters may not be placed on top of existing posters
- Posters must clearly identify the organization or event sponsor
- Posting is not allowed in stairwells and elevators
- Do not attach to walls in any way that causes damage to the paint or surface

*** Think before you post.** College Houses defend the right of free speech and expression on campus and actively promotes the civil exchange of ideas. In the spirit of the latter aim, students are urged to reconsider creating and distributing posters or flyers containing material or language that could be construed as malicious toward or dangerous to other responsible members of the University community.

**** Unauthorized posters may, at the discretion of residential staff, be removed.** In all cases, the above policy will be implemented within the framework and spirit of the Code of

Student Conduct, which defines the general rights and responsibilities of student citizenship in the Penn community, and where appropriate, the Charter of the University of Pennsylvania Student Disciplinary System, which sets forth the processes for disciplinary action against students and organizations. Pursuant to the Code of Student Conduct (Sec. III.d), “the content of student speech or expression is not by itself a basis for disciplinary action,” and no posters shall be prohibited or restricted solely on the basis of their content, except when they may violate other applicable laws or regulations.

For information about having your materials placed in College House spaces by CHAS, please see www.collegehouses.upenn.edu/policies/solicitation.

LAUNDRY POLICIES

- Laundry rooms are for resident use only; keep entrance door closed at all times. Non-residents found using House laundry rooms could be fined up to \$250 or be banned from the House for the duration of the academic year.
- While on the Penn Network, residents can monitor their laundry’s progress either in person or online at <http://suds.kite.upenn.edu/>. Remove all clothes from washers and dryers as soon as they are finished. Clothing left in machines may be removed by residents or staff. The House is not responsible for these items.
- Clothing left for an unreasonable length of time (10 days or more) may be confiscated by the House and donated to charity.

RESERVING COLLEGE HOUSE SPACES

Indoor Spaces

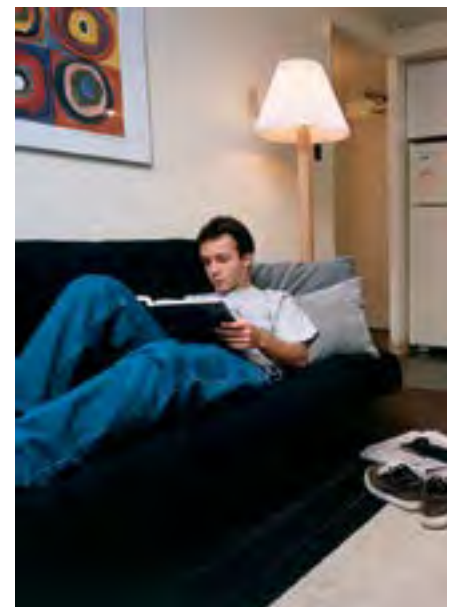
To reserve spaces within the College Houses such as seminar rooms, rooftop lounges, dance and/or music practice rooms, check the room reservation tab on each House's website to review that House's policies and procedures.

Outdoor Spaces

Usage of Hamilton Village outdoor spaces (for small and large-scale events), including courtyards, lawns, walkways and green spaces that surround and/or are adjacent to the College Houses where residents may expect a reasonable amount of noise control, requires permission of the central College House office (CHAS).

To seek permission to stage outdoor events in these spaces, contact the CHAS Space Reservation Committee at 215.898.3131 and ask for Lisa Harris (lharris@upenn.edu). You can also see a map of available green spaces at www.collegehouses.upenn.edu/greenspace.

***Note:** Contact the appropriate House Office to reserve outdoor spaces directly attached to a House like the courtyard in the lower Quad, Stouffer patio, lifted-lawn at Lauder, or Mayer backyard.



College House Behavior

The Office of College Houses & Academic Services (CHAS) and the Department of Residential Services collaborate to produce an annual Residential Handbook. The Residential Handbook is a reference for living on campus in Penn's residences. It is not all-inclusive and often refers to established rules of the University, including those published in other University, College House and Residential Services communications and websites.

The Residential Handbook provides the policies, rules and regulations required for living safely and productively in a Penn residential community. These policies are designed to ensure a pleasant, safe, and equitable residential living experience.

In the list of residential policies, spaces are defined as follows:

College Houses

Any university owned and operated residential facility defined as a College House.

Common Areas

Any area in a College House outside of a student room, suite or apartment such as: community bathrooms, kitchens, lounges, study areas, program specific areas, hallways, stair towers and elevators.

Student Room

Includes bedroom and living areas within a room or suite or apartment. Kitchen, bathrooms and living rooms associated with suites or apartments are considered part of the student room.

RESIDENTIAL HANDBOOK POLICIES

www.collegehouses.upenn.edu/handbook

Conduct:

- Compliance with University Staff
- Disruptive Behavior
- Email Communication
- Hall Sports and Roughhousing
- Noise
- Posting and Flyers
- Privacy
- Solicitation and Use of Space for Business
- Vandalism

Substances:

- Alcohol Related Behavior
- Drugs
- Smoking and Tobacco

Safety and Security:

- Access to Residences
- Endangering Behavior
- Fire and Emergency Safety
- Guests and Visitors
- PennCard

Prohibited Items:

- Firearms, Weapons, and Volatile Substances
- Appliances and Equipment
- Candles, Open Flames, and Flammable Items

Facility Related:

- Common Areas and Usage
- Electrical Circuit Overload
- Fixtures and Locks
- Residential Duty Officer (RDO) Rooms
- Resident Room Access Responsibility
- Room Cleanliness and Upkeep
- Unauthorized Access to Spaces
- Unauthorized Movement of Furniture
- Window Stops

Animals in Residence:

- Emotional Support/Service Animal
- Pets

Policies in the Residential Handbook have been designed to address concerns specific to residing in a College House. The College House system and Residential Services adhere to and/or refer when necessary to the following University policies:

- Alcohol and Drug – includes Medical Amnesty
 - Code of Student Conduct
 - Code of Academic Integrity
 - Discrimination
 - Fire Safety and Emergency Services
 - Hazing
 - Information Systems & Computing (ISC)
 - Sexual Violence, Relationship Violence and Stalking
 - Sexual Harassment
 - Tobacco-Free Campus
- <https://www.hr.upenn.edu/policies-and-procedures/policy-manual/otherpolicies/tobacco-freecampus>

CONDUCT POLICIES

Compliance with University Staff

All Penn students and their guests are expected to adhere to requests made by any University staff member or House team member performing his/her duties (including House Directors and Faculty, RA team members, desk staff, custodial or Facilities staff or Residential Services staff).

Residents are expected to provide honest and accurate information in their interactions with University staff



members and RA team members.

Disruptive Behavior

No resident should engage in behavior that interferes with or compromises the personal safety or well-being of another. Behavior unsuitable for residential living, including, but not limited to, any practice that limits residents' rights of equal use and access to room/ suite/ hall facilities, is not permitted. Residents should also not engage in conduct that is disorderly and/or negatively impacts community and academic success.

Email Communication

Email is one of the main methods used by College Houses and Residential Services to communicate with residents.

Residents are expected to check their Penn email of record on a frequent basis and, when prompted, respond to University officials by email in the timeframe established by that official. A daily email check is recommended.

Hall Sports and Roughhousing

Indoor sports or recreational activities that may cause damage to property or disruption or injury to others are not permitted. Activities include (but are not limited to) tossing, bouncing or kicking of balls or objects, and the use of water guns or water balloons.

Noise and Consideration of Others

All on-campus residences adhere to 24-hour Courtesy Hours. Courtesy Hours serve as a reminder to all residents of the primary rights to sleep and study within residential communities. Residents are expected to exercise courtesy when playing music or participating in other activity that may disrupt other residents and/or interfere with the attempts of others to study.

Quiet hours are in effect at the following times: 11:00 p.m. until 9:00 a.m. on weekdays (Sundays through Thursday)

and 1:00 a.m. until 9:00 a.m. on weekends (Friday and Saturday). Quiet hours are in effect at all times during reading days and finals.

Posting and Flyers

All notices and signs posted in College Houses and Sansom Place must clearly state the name of the responsible organization and be posted only on designated bulletin boards. No such notices should be placed on interior or exterior doors, windows, or elevators. Flyers may not be placed under student room doors. Any student or organization found in violation of these policies may face fines and disciplinary action. Additional posting policies and information are posted on each College House website and the Sansom Place website.

Privacy

All residents are encouraged to communicate clearly their needs regarding privacy matters with roommates and floor mates. All residents should respect personal privacy within their student rooms and bathroom facilities. Students who violate an individual's privacy by entering their room without permission or invade their privacy within bathroom facilities will face disciplinary action that may result in their removal from their residence.

Solicitation and Use of Space for Business

Residents, visitors, guests, and campus organizations may not conduct or solicit commercial business in the residential buildings. Solicitation is defined as any activity designed to advertise, promote or sell any product or commercial service or encourage support for or membership in any group, association or organization and includes doorto- door canvassing. This includes leafleting under room doors and similar unapproved marketing efforts. Soliciting/selling includes conducting

a business in a University residence such as babysitting, beer distribution or selling such items as food, raffle tickets, magazines, candy bars, etc.

Vandalism

Residents, visitors, and guests are responsible for all costs related to intentional or negligent damage of University property within residential buildings.

SUBSTANCES POLICIES

Alcohol Related Behavior

All residents are expected to show support for community members by addressing concerns that may arise from substance use/abuse. College Houses and Residential Services supports and expects adherence to the University Alcohol and Drug Policy, as well as state and federal laws regarding use of alcohol and other drugs. The consumption of alcohol in building common areas is also strictly prohibited without prior approval from the House Director or Sansom Manager.

Drugs

All residents are expected to show support for community members by addressing concerns that may arise from substance use/abuse. College Houses and Residential Services support and expect adherence to established University policies, as well as state and federal laws regarding use of other drugs and narcotics.

Smoking and Tobacco

All smoking and tobacco use (including the use of smokeless tobacco) is prohibited in all University buildings and facilities, including but not limited to any meeting rooms, community areas, performance venues and private residential space within University of Pennsylvania housing. Finally, smoking and the use of tobacco products is prohibited on any University of



Pennsylvania property, including but not limited to outdoor spaces within any College House, as well as parking lots, paths, fields, sports/recreational areas, and stadiums. Where University of Pennsylvania buildings are adjacent to public sidewalks or streets, smoking and the use of tobacco products is prohibited on those public sidewalks and streets within twenty (20) feet of the entrance to the building.

The tobacco policy covers all smoking methods, including but not limited to the use of electronic smoking devices (e-cigarettes, e-cigars, e-pipes) and hookah smoked products.

SAFETY AND SECURITY POLICIES

Access to Residences

The security of our communities is central to the comfort and academic success of our residents. Security, however, is a shared responsibility. Residents must play their part by observing security procedures and practices, in consideration of their neighbors and classmates and in order to minimize personal harm or loss. Abuse of security staff, vandalism of security equipment, and misuse of exterior building doors and locks will not be tolerated and will result in disciplinary action.

Endangering Behavior

Any action of a Penn student, resident or guest that may lead to physical harm to oneself or others is considered endangering behavior and will typically result in removal from housing, disciplinary action (including cost of repair and/or cleaning) and/or criminal charges. This includes the careless use of appliances or materials, tampering with internet hard wired or wireless devices, and installation of partitions or lofts. Throwing any object from windows, roofs, ledges, etc. is dangerous and also prohibited.

In situations when an individual or group poses an immediate threat to the health, safety or property of others or of oneself the individual or group may be relocated or removed from housing prior to a hearing to address the specific behaviors.

Fire and Emergency Safety

Residents are expected to comply and familiarize themselves with the Fire and Emergency Safety procedures of the University. Compliance includes properly evacuating, following the instructions of emergency personnel, and not damaging, tampering with, or blocking fire safety equipment or signs. Banners, flags, nets, holiday lighting, cable wire, and hangers cannot be installed in such a way as to interfere with the operation of any fire safety equipment (i.e. sprinkler heads or smoke detectors). No items may be installed on or suspended from the ceilings nor should non-flame-resistant decorations be hung on room/suite doors or hallway bulletin boards. Additionally, residents should not place furniture or items in any halls, fire exits, or otherwise block any other means of egress. Residents who fail to comply with any of the above are subject to fines and disciplinary action.

Guests and Visitors

Guests are defined as individuals who are not currently enrolled University of Pennsylvania students. Visitors are defined as currently enrolled University of Pennsylvania students who are not assigned to the room, suite, or apartment that they are visiting.

- Hosts must check with their roommates, suitemates, or apartment mates for approval before inviting a guest or visitor to the room. If the other occupants of the space do not approve, the guest or visitor cannot stay in the room.

- Hosts are responsible for the actions of their guests or visitors and will face disciplinary action if their guest or visitor violates College House, Residential Services, or University policies. Hosts should familiarize their guests or visitors with community expectations. Visitors are also responsible for their actions and are subject to disciplinary action.
- Guests and visitors are allowed to visit in a student room, suite, or apartment for a period not to exceed three days and two nights during a two-week period.
- Visitors are unable to sign into residential buildings between the hours of 2:00 a.m. and 8 a.m. Hosts will need to sign in all visitors during this time period.
- A guest or visitor may not occupy a student's room when the student is not present and a resident may not supply a room key to gain access to the room or their PennCard to gain access to the building.
- Guests must sign-in with a photo ID and must be accompanied by a host at all times. This host must carry a valid PennCard and guests must keep their ID with them at all times.
- Each visitor must present his or her own valid PennCard. Visitors may not sign in other visitors or guests at any time.
- Visitors may sign-in guests in Hill College House, Kings Court English College House, and Lauder College House for the purpose of dining together in the Penn Dining Halls of those buildings. Visitors cannot sign in guests to those buildings outside of the open hours of those Dining facilities.
- At no time may guests or visitors sleep in a common area within a College House.



PennCard

Residents are required to carry their University of Pennsylvania ID Cards (PennCard) at all times per University policy. PennCards are used to access College Houses and also serve as electronic key access to assigned rooms. A PennCard should not be transferred to anyone other than the owner. Residents should be aware of the whereabouts of their PennCard at all times. A PennCard used by anyone other than the owner will be confiscated.

Confiscated PennCards may be picked up at the PennCard Center, located in the University of Pennsylvania Bookstore, during business hours of 8:30am to 5:00pm, Monday through Friday. Lost Penn Cards must be promptly reported to the PennCard Center as well. For more information and policies on PennCards, please visit the PennCard website.

Prohibited Items – Firearms, Weapons, and Hazardous Materials

Possession, storage, and/or use of the items below are prohibited in all rooms/apartments:

- Firearms (including but not limited to: air rifles, air soft guns, paint ball guns, pellet guns, pistols, ammunition, gunpowder, etc.)
- Dangerous Weapons (including but limited to: clubs, knives not intended for kitchen use, swords, martial arts weapons, bows & arrows, etc.)
- Stun guns and tasers
- Explosives of any kind, including fireworks and sparklers
- Hazardous substances (including but not limited to: gasoline and other flammable-combustible liquids, solvents, degreasers, lab chemicals, mercury, acids, and alkaline materials, etc.)

- Other dangerous materials (such as automobile batteries) or other potentially lethal devices that explore or deflagrate and can propel projectiles weapons
- Any weapon not listed

It is also a violation of this policy to use an item with a lawful purpose (i.e. scissors, baseball bat) in an act or threat of violence.

Prohibited Items – Appliances and Equipment

Possession, storage, and/or use of the items below are prohibited in all rooms/apartments:

- Extension cords, outlet adapters, and splitters. Note that surge protectors are allowed and encouraged, but they should never be overloaded, nor used in tandem
- Halogen Bulbs
- Air Conditioners except where provided by Residential Services
- All large appliances (including but not limited to: non-University stoves, washer and dryers, dish washers, refrigerators over 4.1 cubic feet, etc.)
- Space Heaters except in situations where they've been installed by Facilities Staff
- Power tools such as saws, dills, drill presses, and jack hammers (unless used by Facilities staff)
- Hoverboards, electronic scooters, bikes, skateboards, and other e-mobility devices (other than wheelchairs for those who use them)
- Water filled devices like pools of any size, hot tubs, or water beds
- Surveillance cameras and equipment
- Lava lamps
- Strobe lights
- Smoke/fog machines
- Music amplifiers
- Any item used for door propping (wedges, etc.)

These items are prohibited in all non-kitchen units:

- Toasters
- Toaster Ovens
- Instant Cookers (like Instant pots)
- Countertop Grills such as panini makers, George Foreman grills, sandwich makers
- Electric Skillets and Kettles
- Hot Plates
- Waffle Irons
- Popcorn Poppers
- Convection Ovens, Deep Air Fryers and Oil Fryers
- Any items with an exposed heat producing source or element (i.e. immersion coil)

All appliances must have a manufacturer's label that shows the electrical ratings and listing by a nationally recognized testing laboratory (e.g., ETL, UL, etc.).

Prohibited Items – Open Flame and Flammable Items

Possession, storage, and/or use of candles, incense, incendiary devices, and fire producing items (including but not limited to: fuel burning stoves, fuel burning lamps, heaters, grills, torches, charcoal, lighter fluid, and propane cylinders) are prohibited. Residents are allowed, however, to possess matches and small cigarette lighters.

Holiday decorations, such as cut trees, wreaths and other live decorations are also not permitted. Visit here for more information: https://www.publicsafety.upenn.edu/files/Guideline-8._Holiday-Tree-and-Decorations.pdf

Special exception requests to use candles for religious or ritual observance should be referred to the House Director or Sansom Manager. Visit here for more information: https://www.publicsafety.upenn.edu/files/2014/07/Guideline_10._Religious-Candle-lighting-in-college-houses.pdf

FACILITY RELATED POLICIES

Common Areas and Usage

The use of residential common areas is restricted to the residential community occupants, their guests/ visitors, and University affiliated groups and organizations that have reserved the space.

- Students, Guests, and Visitors may not sleep overnight in common areas.
- Common area furniture and equipment must remain in the common room.
- All individuals who use common areas are expected to keep these spaces reasonably clean and orderly for community use.

Out of consideration for all residents, any individual using common areas such as kitchens, lounges or recreational space is expected to return the space to the condition in which it was found. This includes cleaning up after preparing and serving food, putting away food items by storing them securely in pest-proof containers, returning furniture to its proper location and set up, and properly disposing of trash. Residents should also not dispose of room and food waste in common bathrooms. Residents should not leave unattended items in public spaces. Unattended items left in these spaces are subject to disposal by the University.

Although they are University buildings, the College Houses and Sansom Place residences and their common spaces, amenities, etc. are first and foremost intended for the use by on-campus residents. This includes on-campus residential laundry facilities, which are to be used solely by on-campus residents.

Electrical Circuit Overload

Residents found to be consistently overloading circuitry (tripping breakers) through use of appliances or other electrical equipment will be required to reduce their electrical usage. Residents are also encouraged to use surge protectors as a means to further protect electrical equipment.

Fixtures and Locks

Residents are encouraged to keep their exterior room or apartment doors locked at all times. Residents are not allowed to damage, hinder the proper use of, or make changes to any locks or fixtures associated with their rooms or apartment. Residents cannot add fixtures or locks to any doors, walls, or other surfaces within their apartment.

Residential Duty Officer (RDO) Rooms

RDO rooms are set aside for short term emergency situations; an average stay is 2-4 days. Residents are required to follow instructions regarding move-in and move-out of these spaces. Residents should also not expect a

permanent relocation into an RDO room.

Resident Room Access Responsibility

Residents are responsible for their own PennCards and, when issued, their brass keys. They should not share keys or PennCards with another individual or duplicate their keys for any purpose. Residents should be aware of the whereabouts of their keys (if applicable) and PennCards at all times.

Room Cleanliness and Upkeep

As responsible members of a larger community, residents are expected to maintain reasonable standards of cleanliness and order within their rooms as a means to discourage pests. Over the counter pesticides do not solve pest issues. They only move the pests elsewhere and potentially put any roommates or neighbors with chemical allergies at risk.

Residents are also expected to return their rooms to a broom swept and reasonably clean condition similar to the state at check-in when they move out, including disposing of all trash and non-university furniture from their spaces.

Residents who fail to properly maintain, clean, or clear their apartments or rooms will be subject to disciplinary action, including fines and cleaning costs.

Residents will be assessed fines for any damage that occurs in their rooms during the school year, including any damage done to walls in the hanging of decorations within their spaces. All roommates are held responsible for the condition of all of the space within their rooms or apartments.

Unauthorized Access to Spaces

Any resident, visitor or guest found within unauthorized areas (student rooms in which they are not either



a resident or an accompanied and welcomed guest, mechanical rooms, housekeeping closets, steam tunnels, etc.), found using emergency exits for any reason other than an emergency, or found on any roof, portico or any other architectural feature not designed for recreational or functional use will be subject to fines, assessment for any damages caused and disciplinary action. Residents, visitors, and guests are not permitted to place any items in any unauthorized area. The University assumes no financial or legal responsibility for any student, guest, visitor, or property as a result of such actions.

Unauthorized Movement of Furniture

Residents are required to keep all assigned room furniture within their rooms for their period of occupancy. Missing furniture or furniture found in the hallway, a lounge, a common space, or any other space other than its original room or apartment will result in fines and potential disciplinary proceedings. Furniture removed from halls, even by the University, will be treated as “missing” for the purposes of post-move-out charges. Student room furniture cannot be “stored” elsewhere or otherwise placed into lounges. Furniture placed in lounges is subject to being removed by the University and will be treated as “missing” for the purpose of postmove- out charges.

Window Stops

Residents may not tamper with window stops where they exist.

ANIMALS IN RESIDENCE

Emotional Support/ Service Animals

When and after approval by Disability Services and in order to provide reasonable accommodations and in compliance with federal law, students

may have one Service or Emotional Support Animal (ESA) in the residences.

A Service Animal is individually trained to do work or perform tasks for the benefit of an individual with a disability, including a physical, sensory, psychiatric, intellectual, or other mental disability. Service animals may accompany its owner anywhere in the residence halls.

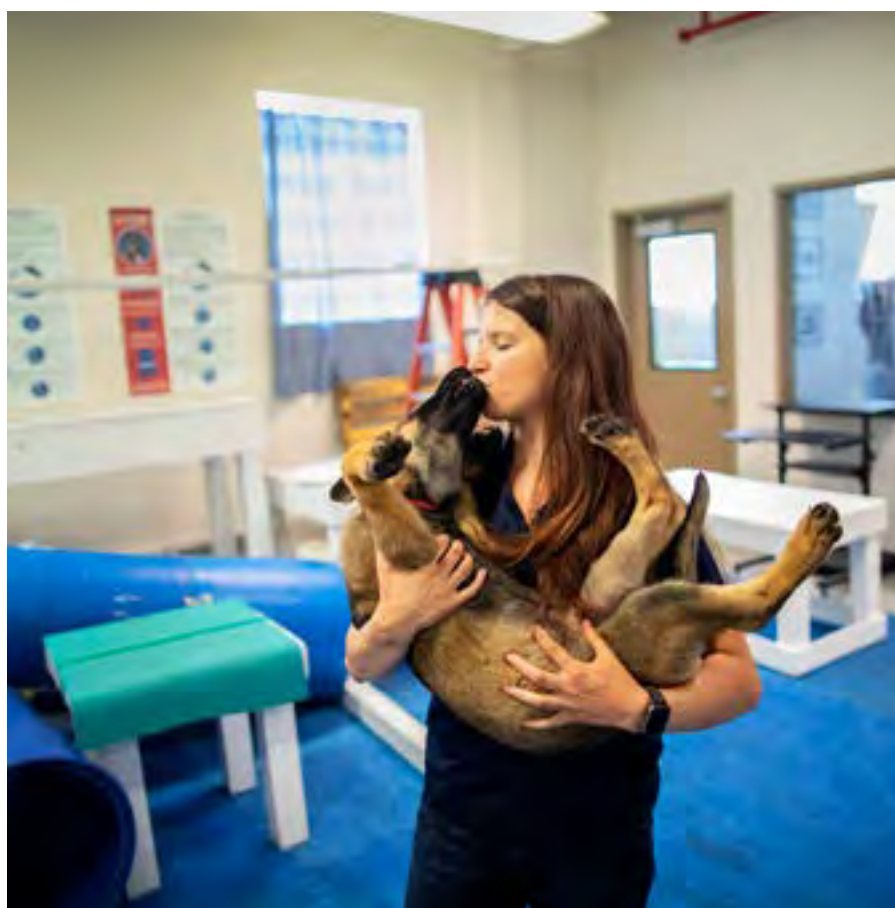
An ESA provides comfort to an individual with a disability upon the recommendation of a healthcare or mental health professional. An emotional support animal does not assist a person with a disability with activities of daily living but rather its role is to live with a student and alleviate the symptoms of an individual’s disability to provide equal opportunities to use and enjoy residential life at the University. ESAs must remain in the owners assigned room at all times.

Important rules and responsibilities on owner care and handling:

- The ESA should reside in your

bedroom and not any space shared with another resident (such as the bathroom or kitchen) or outside the residence hall. The ESA is not permitted in common spaces in your building (such as lounges), other residences, dining halls, academic buildings, or any other space outside of your room, with the exception of when being taken for a walk or transported off campus, as noted below.

- If your roommates cannot or do not wish to have an animal in their residence, the Housing Assignments Office will work with individuals to relocate the ESA owner or a roommate or roommates and place whomever is relocated to a similar residence.
- If the ESA is in the room when you are not in your room, the ESA must remain in its crate/ fishbowl/cage/or similar product to allow for safe entry of



University personnel who may need to enter your apartment for maintenance or safety purposes.

- The ESA must comply with all applicable laws, as well as all PA licensure and vaccination requirements. A current license and vaccination record for your ESA will be required prior to moving into the residence with ESA. This information must remain current during the period of this approval and be presented to the Housing Assignments Office.
- The ESA is not to leave the residence except with you for, as applicable, walks, visits to the veterinarian, etc. While on University property, the ESA must be under your control at all times, whether in your room in the residence or outside. When transporting the ESA outside, you must use a leash or carrier.
- If the ESA leaves the residential facility and is not in a crate, kennel, or any other device in which the animal is kept, the ESA must wear a collar, which must include your contact information, at all times.
- The ESA must not pose a threat or disruption of any kind to roommates or others in the residence or the Penn community. If the ESA poses a threat, injury or disruption of any kind, (1) the ESA may be removed from the building (either permanently or temporarily) and/or boarded elsewhere at the ESA's owner's expense and/or (2) Disability Services may revoke the accommodation and you may be required to remove the ESA from the residence.
- Your ESA must be house trained, which includes litter box training and/or trained to relieve itself outside. Any accidents must

be cleaned immediately using appropriate cleaning products. Litter boxes, crates, kennels, and any other device in which the animal is kept must be cleaned daily. Waste must be bagged in plastic bags and securely tied. Waste must be disposed of in outdoor trash receptacles or trash chutes when available in the residence (or as directed by a building administrator). Litter of any type may not be disposed of anywhere in your residence, such as in a trash can, or in toilets or drains.

- You may not leave your animal in the residence if you leave the residence for 24 hours or more. For example, the ESA may not remain in residence if you leave your room for an extended period, such as: (1) for longer than a day of classes, (2) a trip which will last overnight or longer, and (3) during break periods. The ESA has been approved to live in the residence with you. As a result, ESA sitting is not permitted. You cannot leave your ESA with other students in the residence or have anyone else come to your room with the intent to take care of the ESA. If you are not able to bring the ESA with you, you are expected to find an off-campus location to provide care for the ESA while you are away.
- If an ESA is found unattended in a residence (except during your time in classes, etc.) or it is learned that you have left the animal unattended in violation of the above paragraph, the ESA will be removed from the building and boarded elsewhere at the ESA owner's expense.

- You are responsible for all damages or injuries to either property or person(s) resulting from your ESA. Damages in your room or residence hall resulting from an ESA may result in charges to your account.
- If you decide you no longer will have the ESA in residence you must notify the Housing Assignments Office who will also notify Disability Services.
- If you wish to replace the ESA with a different animal, (such as replacing a cat with a dog) you must reapply through Disability Services for a new accommodation.

Individuals other than the owner should never touch or handle an animal unless invited to do so. Individuals other than the owner should not feed the animal, startle the animal, attempt to separate the animal from the owner, or inquire for details about the owner's disability or reason for having a Service or Emotional Support Animal.

College Houses & Academic Services and Residential Services reserve the right to exclude or remove any animal that poses a direct threat to the health or safety of others or creates an unreasonable and unmanageable disturbance to the community.



Pets

Pets are not permitted in residences, except for fish of a size that can be appropriately kept in an aquarium not larger than 20 gallons. All roommates must agree upon the presence of an aquarium. Other pets are not permitted for several reasons: they pose potential health problems; they can cause destruction of University property; and they can be disruptive to other residents. “Visiting” pets are not permitted. Violations of the policy will carry the following potential sanctions:

- Residents will have 48 hours from first being contacted by a University official to permanently relocate the animal to an off-campus location.
- Residents will incur a \$50 per day fine each day beyond the first 48 hours.
- Repeat offenses will result in the immediate and permanent loss of housing privileges and the forfeiture of any potential rent refund due under the normal rent refund policy.

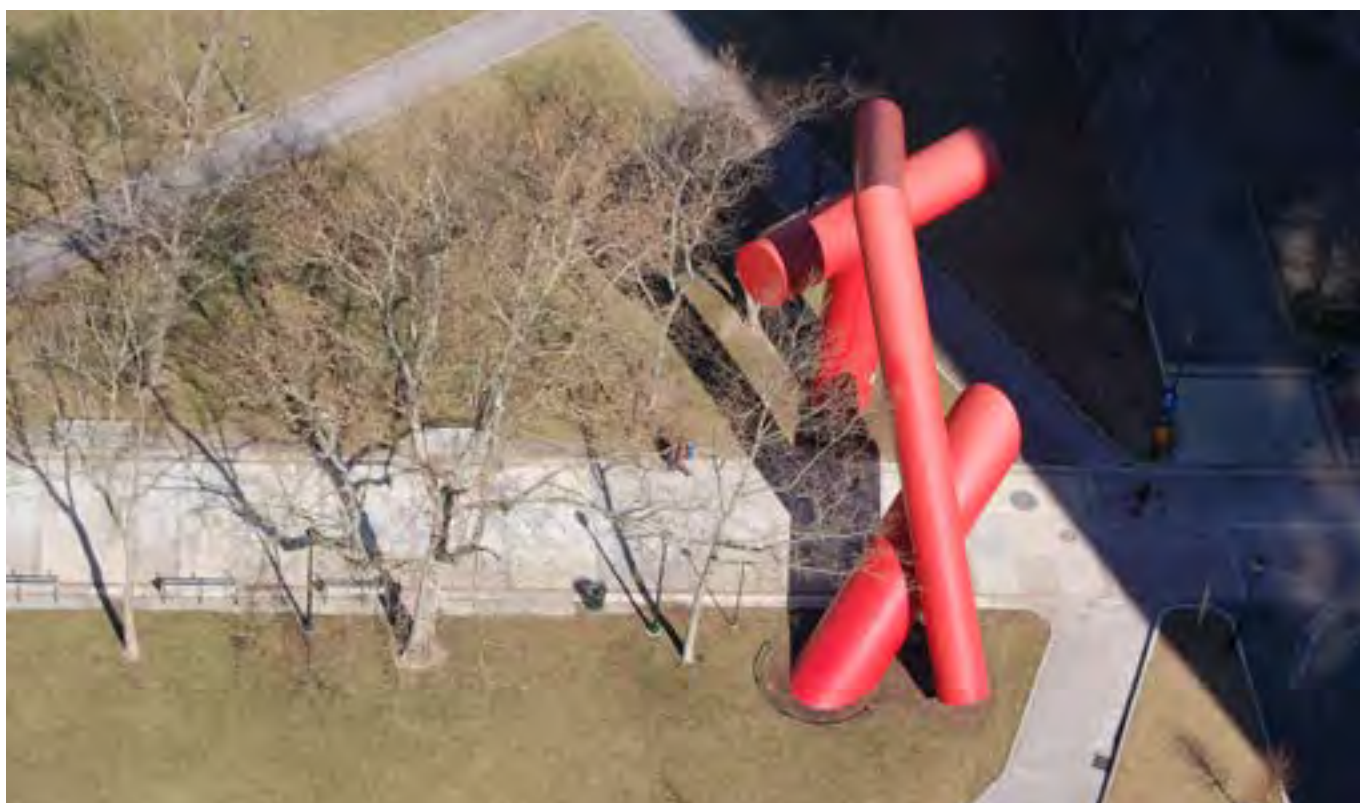
Residential Conduct Process

The Offices of College Houses & Academic Services and Residential Services support and expect adherence to the University of Pennsylvania Code of Student Conduct and to all local, state and federal law, as well as, regulations related to residential living. As part of living in community, it is important that we hold each other accountable to our shared policies. Should you allegedly violate a residential policy or engage in harmful behavior, you are likely to have a meeting with a House Director or Sansom Place Manager. Addressing these possible violations may include an informal conversation, a more formal administrative hearing, or referral to a House Discipline Committee. E-mail should be used only for logistical purposes and should not be used as a substitute for meeting and discussing an alleged violation with a staff member. Any of these means of addressing a

violation may result in application of sanctions to be completed by residents.

Students can expect fairness and due process from staff in addressing alleged violations. They can also expect to be active participants in the process of addressing their alleged behavior. Failure to comply with a sanction will be considered as a further violation of standards and may result in additional, extended or more severe sanctions.

Violations of standards or other misconduct should be reported to the College House or Sansom Place staff for investigation follow-up. The authority to investigate and to respond to violations is delegated to College House and Residential Services staff. In all cases an attempt will be made to resolve a dispute or alleged violation by reaching voluntary agreement. Repeated misconduct, serious offenses and offenses by non-residents may be referred to the Executive Director, Directors of College Houses, Director of Residential Services, or to the Office of Student Conduct. In addition, criminal activity in the College Houses and Sansom Place is subject to criminal prosecution.



CONDUCT PROCESS OUTLINE

See chart below

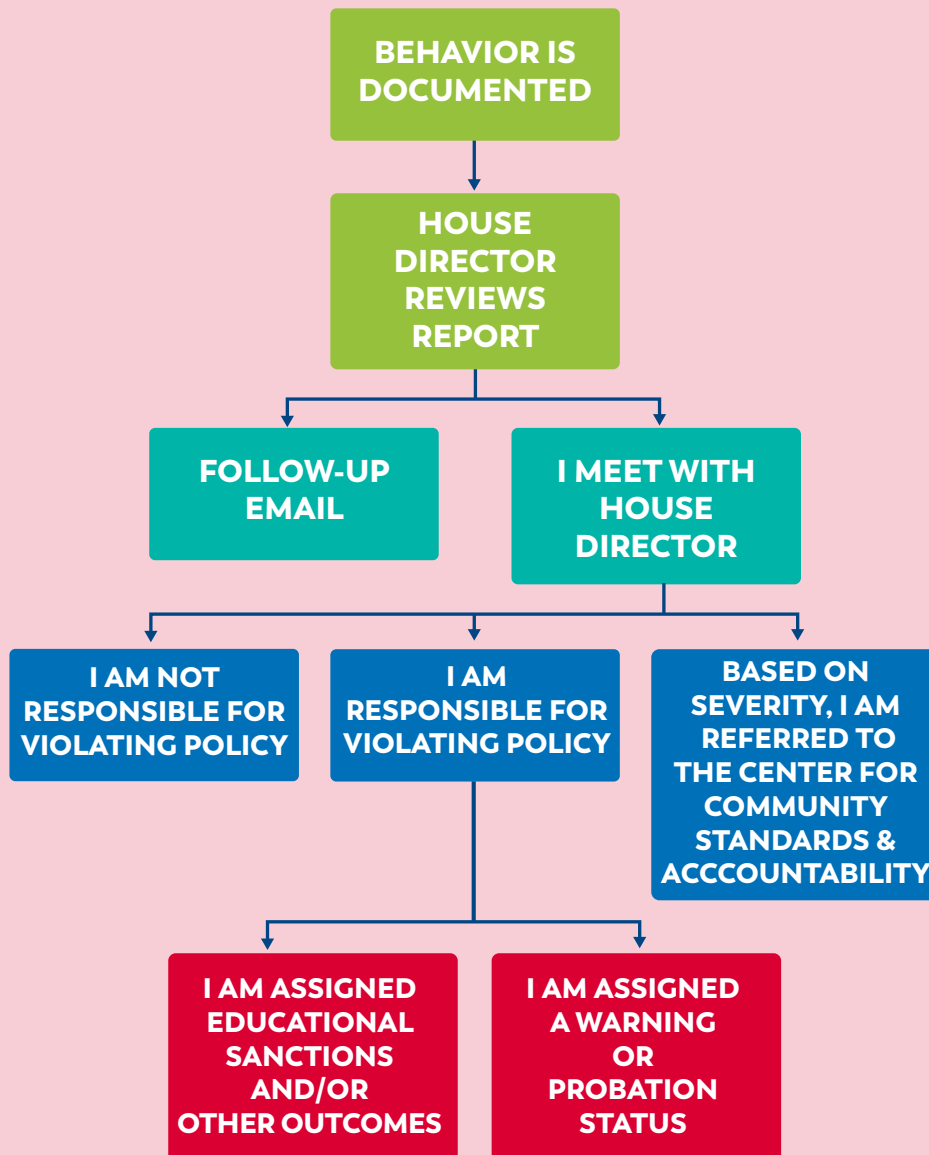
- Staff person becomes aware of a possible violation of standards.
- Student is notified via email that they are potentially in violation of a standard and a meeting is requested.
- Meeting is held to hear the student’s perspective and to ascertain responsibility.
- Student is notified via email of determination of responsibility and sanction, if appropriate.

RIGHTS AND OBLIGATIONS

A student against whom an allegation of violation is made has the following rights and obligations:

- The right to be notified within a reasonable time of the complaints against them.
- The obligation to cooperate with any investigation of complaint, including the obligation to appear to be interviewed by College House administrative staff, Residential Services staff or other University officials or boards.
- The right to know the nature of any pertinent information against them.
- The right to privacy of information.
- The right to appeal any procedural concerns (i.e. due process, new information) with a Director of College Houses or Residential Services.

WHAT HAPPENS WHEN I'M DOCUMENTED?



SANCTIONS

The following sanctions are normally issued separately or in combination for violations; sanctions are accumulative and apply to a student's length of stay in College Houses:

Informal Warning

This is a low level, introductory sanction for use in first violations and/or policy education.

Residential Warning

This sanction is typically imposed for minor violations. A warning basically puts a student on notice and provides an opportunity to address and/or change behavior in future situations. Repeat behavior could then result in additional and retroactive sanctions.

Educational Sanctions

Educational sanctions are used for students in situations where they would benefit from further learning about their behavior or from completing a project that allows them to engage positively with their community. Examples of such sanctions include: community service, organizing a program, doing a survey, attending a presentation, or similar projects.

Required Move

Some situations may warrant moving a resident to a new location, either for their own benefit or for the benefit of their residential community.

Restitution

Residents who cause damage or vandalize University property will typically be expected to pay restitution.

Fines

Fines will be imposed for some violations as deemed appropriate based upon circumstance.

Restriction of Privileges

Some situations may warrant a restriction of privileges, such as guest privileges or restriction from entering a specific College House.

Referral to a University Resource Office

Students who need additional professional assistance may be referred to any number of University offices or resources.

Parental Notification

Some situations warrant a call to a parent or guardian to discuss a student's behavior and the impact of that behavior upon other residents.

Residential Probation

This sanction is typically imposed for more serious violations of standards, as well as for repeated or multiple minor violations. Probation includes the potential for restriction of various College House privileges and serves as a final notice wherein future violations could result in removal from housing.

Removal from Housing

Removal from housing is a sanction that typically is used for serious violations of standards including endangering behavior, theft, and significant damage to property and for students who repeatedly violate policies and show no signs of changing behavior.

Referral to the Center for Community Standards & Accountability (CSA)

The College House conduct system is designed to be internal to the House system. When situations advance in severity, a House may refer a case to CSA. Cases opened by CSA may result in serious outcomes attached to a student's permanent record at Penn. CSA may also remove a student from housing.

NOTE: *In situations when an individual or group poses an immediate threat to the health, safety or property of others or oneself the individual or group may be 1.) relocated on an interim or permanent basis; 2.) restricted from College Houses; or 3.) removed from University housing prior to a hearing to address the specific behaviors. The decision to remove or relocate rests with the Executive Director of College Houses or in his/her absence one of the Directors of College Houses or, for Sansom Place, the Director of Residential Services.*



Services for Residents

COLLEGE HOUSE TECHNOLOGY

Every College House is linked to the Internet by a high-speed network connection. Wireless network connections are available in all student rooms and House public spaces. The enthusiastic College House Technology staff hires and trains students to provide helpdesk support for their fellow residents, and can help with almost any computer question, from diagnosing hardware problems to software support and getting computers and devices connected to the network. For all technology support requests, visit support.housetech.upenn.edu.

There are currently 11 residential computing labs, some with late night hours, and over 40 additional collaborative learning spaces using the latest technologies in every House supported by a professional staff. Computing spaces are equipped with the most-up-to-date software and hardware, including wide-screen monitors, multimedia software, 100MB connections, high quality scanners, and laser printers.

Many students find tablet style devices to be an easy way to take notes and to check email. Although the capabilities of these mobile devices continue to improve they should not be considered as a replacement for a desktop or laptop computer. You will find that completing your academic work will require more than the tablet device can offer. If you have questions regarding what device may be best for you please consult your School or Department to find out what they recommend for students in your area of study.

COLLEGE HOUSE INFORMATION CENTERS

The Information Centers in each House—usually in the reception areas—are operated by the Department of Residential Services. They are a vital part of each College House, and offer daily services including guest passes, assistance with access issues, vacuum cleaner and moving cart loans, and support with maintenance issues. It is a 24-hour emergency center and a useful hub of information for residents and guests.

DINING

While first-year, second-year, and transfer students are required to have a Dining plan, Penn Dining believes that food service is much more than simply providing sustenance. Dining cafés are gathering places for students and faculty and an integral part of the campus experience. Breaking bread together helps create a sense of community and comfort. Bon Appétit, Penn's food service provider, takes great care to cook food from scratch with fresh seasonal ingredients, serve a wide variety of menu items at each meal, create great tasting and nutritious food with vegetarian, vegan, Halal, and Jain options, provide friendly customer service and a warm, welcoming environment, all while making socially responsible purchasing decisions regarding produce, meat, seafood, eggs and coffee. In addition to the six residential dining cafés (including Kosher options at Falk Dining Commons), Penn Dining offers a wide variety of retail locations including Gourmet Grocer and Starbucks in 1920 Commons; Houston Market in Houston Hall; Pret-a-Manger in Wharton's Huntsman Hall; Accenture Cafe in the Towne Building; Joe's Cafe in Steinberg-Dietrich Hall; Micromarkets in the ARCH Building and Van Pelt Library; and the campus Farmer's Market. For more information, visit www.upenn.edu/dining.

PVN CABLE TV NETWORK

Penn Video Network, the University's closed-circuit campus television system, gives College House residents the best of basic Standard and HD programming, with over 60 channels accessible in each student room and lounge. PVN also offers two 24-hour movie channels that show the latest releases, original independent movies, and even films that Penn professors use as part of their curricula. Additionally, all on-campus residents have access to the core XFINITY on Campus digital streaming service from Comcast. For technical specifications and other information on Penn Video Network, visit the website at www.upenn.edu/video.

GREEN LIVING

The Green Living Certification, offered through Penn Sustainability, provides all College House residents with an opportunity to reflect on their environmental impact and to recognize the importance of their daily, individual decisions on the University's Climate Action Plan. Students can apply to receive their Gold, Silver, or Bronze certification by filling out the Green Living survey, which asks students questions related to recycling, energy, waste, water, transportation, purchasing, and involvement at Penn. Certified students earn a sticker to post outside their room and rewards to local campus restaurants.

HOUSING ASSIGNMENTS AND ROOM CHANGES

The housing assignment process, including room changes, is managed by the Department of Residential Services, which offers room change periods throughout the academic year. Room changes are not guaranteed and are made based on space availability. More information about the room change process can be found at residential-services.business-services.upenn.edu/assignments. Residents

experiencing roommate problems may contact their RA or House Director for assistance with problem resolution at any time. All room changes must be authorized by Housing Occupancy. Residents making unauthorized changes will be subject to disciplinary action. Be aware that if a room change is made, rent will be adjusted to reflect the new room rate. Residents should pick up new keys/get access to their new bedspace and return old keys/check out of their old bedspace at the Information Center on the specified room change date. Picking up your keys early/gaining access to the new bedspace early or returning keys late/checking out of the old bedspace late will result in additional rent charges. Note that partially occupied rooms are not cleaned prior to a student moving in.

MAINTENANCE AND HOUSEKEEPING

Housekeeping is provided seven days a week (excepting holidays) for all common areas in the Houses, such as corridors, lounges, lobby areas, laundry rooms, and shared bathrooms. Maintenance is provided to individual rooms and public spaces as requested, as scheduled by the University, or in response to emergencies. To request routine repairs to your room or floor, use the work order website (AiM) at www.collegehouses.upenn.edu/request. Contact your information center for follow-up on requests and for additional help. Emergency facilities issues should be called in 24 hours a day at 215-898-7208.

OTHER SERVICES AND AMENITIES

- Free washers and dryers are available for resident use, with the ability to check the status of your laundry via the internet.
- Mail and package service are provided in-House by Residential Services.
- All College House rooms are furnished by the Department of Residential Services.



Residential Services Information

STUDENT HOUSING & DINING POLICY

The College Houses are unique residential communities for Penn undergraduates that connect the academic life of the University to the residential experience. They foster smaller, intimate communities that students call home and from which they are supported in pursuing their academic goals and in navigating the complexities of university life. The College Houses provide academic and personal support to residents and promote social interaction, engagement, accountability and leadership within a setting that honors the diverse needs and backgrounds of the Penn community. The College House experience is a central component of a student's successful transition to and mastery of the rigors of university life at Penn. To support our undergraduates in their academic and personal endeavors, and to engage them with each other and the larger Penn community, we require all students to live on campus and participate in a dining plan during their first four semesters of enrollment.*

**Students who are enrolled in the College of Liberal Studies or in the Penn Nursing BSN Second Degree Program, or are married, living with a dependent, or in a University-recognized domestic partnership, are exempt from this policy.*

TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR UNIVERSITY HOUSING

By accepting admission to Penn you are agreeing to live on campus your first four semesters and abide by the Terms and Conditions for University Housing. Rent and College House fees will be charged and payable each semester through your Student Financial Services account. Please review the Terms and Conditions available at www.upenn.edu/housing. Scheduled room change periods will be available throughout the year.

HEALTH AND SAFETY

The safety and security of all students in residence is of utmost concern to the University and it is expected that all residents adopt reasonable safety habits. As a result of this concern, the University has taken a number of actions. Security personnel monitor entry to all College Houses twenty-four hours each day during building occupancy. All residents and guests must pass through a security portal to gain access to residential areas. All live-in College House staff members undergo training in safety and security policies and support the efforts of the Department of Public Safety to educate students in-residence about campus safety. Members of the Department of Public Safety conduct a number of residence hall safety programs throughout the year from regular fire drills to programs that discuss crime prevention and crime reporting procedures.

As members of a community, each individual has a responsibility to ensure that safety hazards are eliminated, fire equipment is maintained and established fire procedures are followed. Students who by the virtue of their behavior toward themselves or other residents show an inability to live in a group setting, refuse intervention, and/or endanger themselves or others in any manner may be asked to leave the College House community immediately.

IMPORTANT SAFETY TIPS

- Keep the door to your room, suite or apartment locked at all times. If your lock does not work, report it immediately to the House Information Center.
- If you live in a ground floor room keep your window closed and locked when you are not in your room. If your window does not work properly, report it to the House Information Center.
- Do not leave your personal belongings in any common areas.
- Report any suspicious activity or person to your RA, the House Information Center or Campus Public Safety.
- Always lock your bicycle to one of the storage racks and register your bicycle with Public Safety.
- Provide insurance coverage for your items either through family homeowners insurance or through renter's insurance.

DISABILITY-RELATED HOUSING ACCOMMODATIONS

Students who are requesting disability-related housing accommodations due to a disability or medical condition are encouraged to self-identify with Disability Services by completing the disability-related housing accommodation request form at <https://upenn-accommodate.symplicity.com/>. If a student is approved for a disability-related housing accommodation, their room will be assigned based on medical need and may not meet personal preferences. Students requesting disability-related housing accommodations are encouraged to self-identify as early as possible to ensure adequate time for Disability Services' documentation review process. Please contact Disability Services with any questions or concerns.

Disability Services can be reached by email (disabilityservices@vpul.upenn.edu) or phone (215-573-9235), or via the Disability Services web portal at upenn-accommodate.symplcity.com/.

GENDER INCLUSIVE HOUSING

Gender Inclusive Housing is available in all College Houses. This option allows students to indicate that they prefer to be assigned without regard to sex assigned at birth or gender identity. Students who request Gender Inclusive Housing will be assigned with roommates making that same request. If you select Gender Inclusive Housing you may or may not be assigned with a student of a different gender identity or sex assigned at birth; the assignment is made gender-blind. If a gender inclusive assignment cannot be made, students will be matched according to their sex assigned at birth (trans and intersex students, please refer to the next section.) While Gender Inclusive Housing is an option available to all students, anyone under 18 years of age prior to moving into housing must submit written parental consent. Gender Inclusive Housing also allows you to request a specific friend of a different sex assigned at birth or gender identity as a roommate. Both students must request Gender Inclusive Housing and follow the instructions on the application.

TRANSGENDER AND INTERSEX STUDENTS

Penn values diversity and recognizes that transgender and intersex students may have particular needs in their living environment. Students are welcome to contact the Housing Occupancy Team to discuss available options that best support their need for a safe and comfortable housing arrangement.

PLANNING AHEAD: MOVE-IN, WINTER BREAK, MOVE-OUT

All occupancy dates, room change, move-in, winter break, and moveout information can be found at www.upenn.edu/housing. To facilitate the large volume of move-in arrivals, students are assigned a move-in time slot, which is communicated to them early in the summer. It may be helpful to know that all of our College Houses with the exception of Harnwell, Harrison, and Rodin, close for winter break the day after the last scheduled final exam. Our dining facilities are closed during Thanksgiving and Winter Break and operate on a reduced schedule during Fall and Spring Breaks.

BEYOND THE FIRST YEAR

For students who are just thinking about starting their college experience, it may seem early to think about second-year housing. The fall semester is filled with making friends, adjusting to academic expectations, and discovering all Penn has to offer. However, by mid-fall, you will begin hearing about next year's Room Selection process and you'll need to start thinking about what is next for you, especially if you have spent your first year in a first-year House and will need to select a living option in an upperclass or four-year House.

Upperclass students may also consider applying to be a Resident Advisor, a highly rewarding experience which includes room and board.

Information about the Room Selection process is posted online toward the close of the fall semester. There are numerous information sessions and informational e-mails before and throughout the process. We strongly encourage you to discuss options and costs with your parents prior to room selection.

Penn's housing selection process has three sequential options, all of which are completed online at myhomeatpenn.upenn.edu early in the spring semester. Students can apply with their friends to live in a Program Community (including the Second Year Experience program in Lauder), return to their same College House, or move to another College House. For those already in Four-Year or Upperclass Houses, returning to your same College House offers the best opportunity to secure housing and a preferred room type within that House. For those in First-Year Houses or who are simply interested in moving to a new House, the inter-House process provides variety. In each case, students apply and select their room themselves, giving them greater control over specific location and room type.

While housing is not guaranteed, Penn makes every effort to provide housing for all students who want it. Students who are flexible with their housing choices can be accommodated. After your four-semester on-campus housing requirement, we strongly encourage you to continue living in the College Houses, enjoying the rich community environment and convenience of on-campus life. Many students who do continue living on campus assume leadership positions in their Houses and may find more meaning and appreciation for their relationships with faculty and staff who are their neighbors.

For third- and fourth-year students who decide to move into the local neighborhood, Penn's Office of Off-Campus Services provides resources and assistance with the housing search. Information and an online listing of available apartments and houses are available at www.upenn.edu/offcampusservices.



Four-Year Communities

W.E.B. Du Bois *	Gregory *	Stouffer/Stouffer	Stouffer/Mayer*
\$12,166 <i>(\$6,083 per semester)</i>	\$12,166 <i>(\$6,083 per semester)</i>	\$12,166 <i>(\$6,083 per semester)</i>	\$15,958 <i>(\$7,979 per semester)</i>
Single room Double (2 BR/Cooktop/Fridge) Triple (3 BR/Cooktop/Fridge) ● Quad (4 BR/Cooktop/Fridge) ●	Single room Double (2 BR) Quad (4 BR) ● Quad (4 BR/LR)	Single-Efficiency Single (Stouffer) ● Double Room (Stouffer) ● Double Apt (1 BR/LR/Kit)	Double Apartment (2BR/LR/Kit)

* All units in Du Bois, Gregory, Stouffer/Mayer, and Lauder have private bathrooms.
● First-year students may only select these room types.

First-Year Communities

Fisher Hassenfeld	Hill	Kings Court English	Lauder*	Ware
\$12,166 <i>(\$6,083 per semester)</i>	\$12,166 <i>(\$6,083 per semester)</i>	\$12,166 <i>(\$6,083 per semester)</i>	\$12,166 <i>(\$6,083 per semester)</i>	\$12,166 <i>(\$6,083 per semester)</i>
Single room ● Double room ● Triple room ● (3 rooms)	Single room ● Double room ●	Single room ● Double room ●	Double - 2 BR/LR Triple - 3 BR/LR ● Quad - 4 BR/LR ● 5 private BR/LR/2 bath ● 6 private BR/LR/2 bath ●	Single room ● Double room ● Triple room ● (2 BR)

* All units in Lauder have private bathrooms.
● First-year students may only select these room types.

Upperclass Communities

Harnwell**	Harrison**	Rodin**	Gutmann**
\$12,166 <i>(\$6,083 per semester)</i>		\$15,958 <i>(\$7,979 per semester)</i>	\$12,166 <i>(\$6,083 per semester)</i>
Single room (Harrison & Rodin) Double (2 BR/LR) (Harnwell only) Double (2 BR) Double Apartment (1 BR/LR/Kit) Quad Apartment (3 BR/LR/Kit)		Single Apartment (1 BR/LR/Kit) Double Apartment (2 BR/LR/Kit) Triple Apartment (3 BR/LR/Kit) Quad Apartment (4 BR/LR/Kit)	2 BR/LR/1 bath suites 4 BR/LR/1 bath suites 5 BR/LR/2 bath suites 6 BR/LR/2 bath suites

** All units in Gutmann, Harnwell, Harrison, The Radian, and Rodin have private bathrooms.

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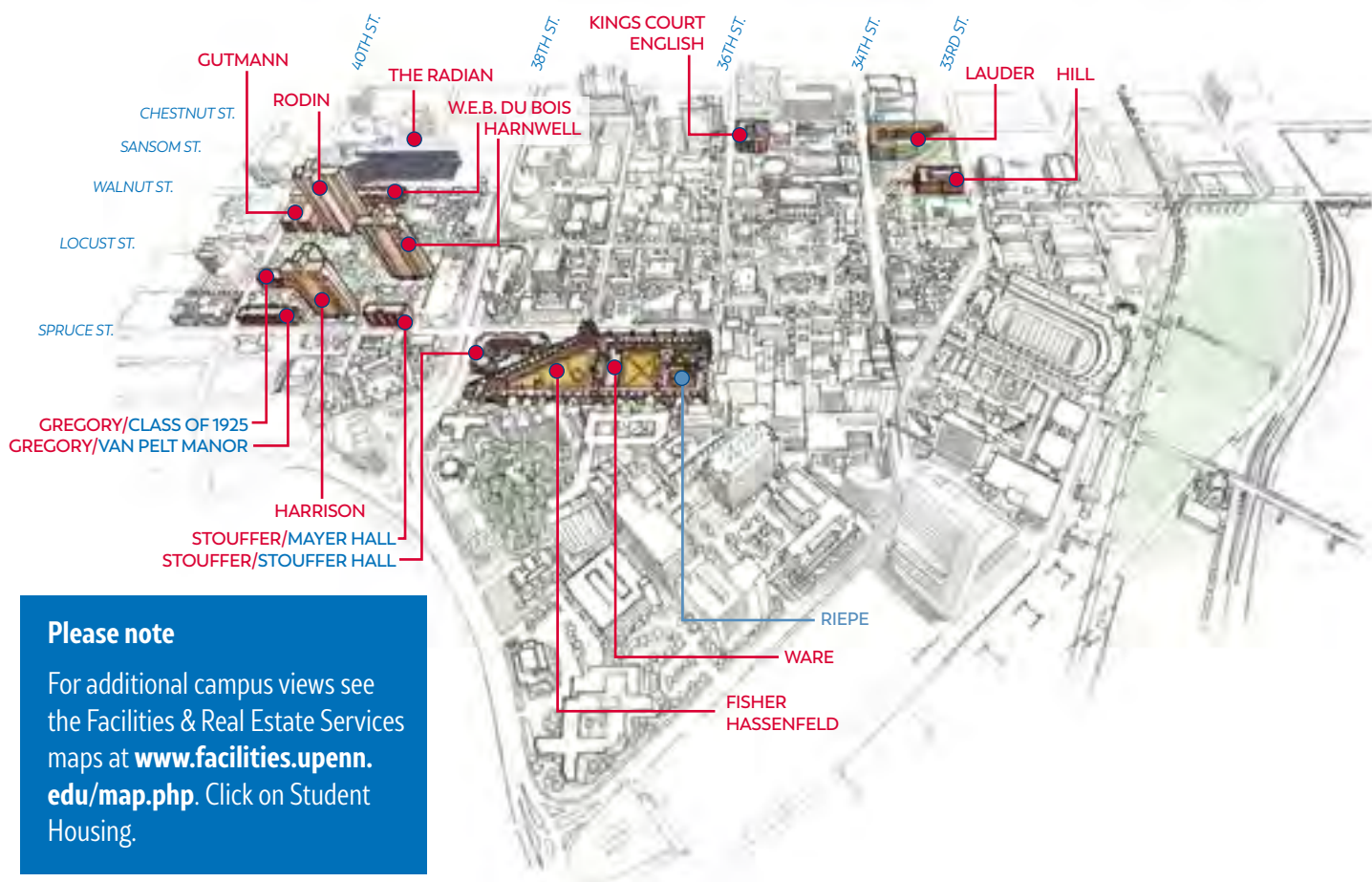
- Single:** 1 occupant
- Double:** 2 occupants
- Triple:** 3 occupants
- Quad:** 4 occupants
- Kit:** Kitchen
- LR:** Living Room
- BR:** Bedroom

College House fee:
\$240/year/person (\$120/semester/person)

This fee will not be prorated nor removed once a resident moves in.

Access current rent schedules and policies at:
<https://residential-services.business-services.upenn.edu/rates-pricing>





Please note

For additional campus views see the Facilities & Real Estate Services maps at www.facilities.upenn.edu/map.php. Click on Student Housing.

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HISTORY

Penn has been building a vigorous on-campus community since it was founded more than two centuries ago. After the Civil War, Penn moved to its present campus in West Philadelphia, and under the visionary direction of Provost Charles Custis Harrison, a vast, turreted complex of interlocking dormitories called The Quadrangle began to be constructed on Spruce Street. The present-day Quad, an architectural and historical landmark, comprises three College Houses: Fisher Hassenfeld, Riepe, and Ware, all bearing the names of Penn's distinguished alumni. In the post-World War II era of expansion, Penn turned to the famous Finnish architect Eero Saarinen to design a dormitory for women at 33rd and Walnut Streets which today is the co-ed Hill College House, which received a complete renovation in 2017. The buildings that are now called Stouffer College House and Kings Court English College House were also built or acquired at this time, and vehicular traffic was banned in the so-called "super block" stretching from 38th to 40th Streets between Walnut and Spruce Streets. This enabled the development of a park-like setting presided over by a trio of skyscraper dormitories—Harnwell, Harrison and Rodin College Houses—with low-rise buildings, W.E.B. Du Bois and Gregory College Houses, framing the surrounding lawns. In 2017, Penn opened Lauder College House, the first residential complex designed from the start to accommodate the broad scope of intellectual, cultural and social activities that are the hallmarks of the College House communities, and in 2021 it opened Gutmann College House in the same grand tradition.

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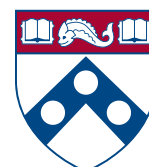
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