We haven't met you yet, but we already have one (extremely exciting) thing in common... Being a transfer student is a huge point of pride for us and a huge part of our identities here at Penn. Transfers have a unique perspective on the college experience, coming from all walks of life, and we're proud to say that the transfer community has completely shaped our time at Penn. We hope you'll come to love being a transfer as much as we do.

Welcome to Penn-our home, and now yours, too! We transferred from schools all across the country (Fordham, NYU, and UC San Diego), and we understand how excited and perhaps nervous you must feel about your transition to Penn. Starting over in a brand new place is never easy, but you belong here, and we're here for you every step of the

Founded in 2011, the Transfer Student Organization (TSO) is a resource and community for all who transfer to Penn. Over the past few years, TSO has played an increasingly central role in transfer orientation as well as making the academic and social transition to Penn as easy as possible. Everything we do as an organization is with the following two goals in mind: to bring new transfer students together and to help new transfers integrate into the Penn community!

New Student Orientation (NSO) is going to be a blast, but it's only the beginning. After orientation, both TSO and the NSOAI office will continue to organize events throughout the year to help us stay connected. You can stay in touch with TSO through joining our GroupMe and following us on Instagram, both of which can be accessed through the TSO Website to talk to other students transferring in your same year (tsopenn.org). Our website also contains a wide variety of resources that will help you not only in this

transitional period, but throughout your time at Penn as well! As this year's transfer coordinators, we've helped create a week of events designed for you to get to know each other and acclimate to Penn/Philadelphia. Make the most of it! The NSO Website gives you a detailed picture of all the great experiences and happenings we have in store for you. We hope that by being an active participant through all our NSO events, you will continue meeting fellow incoming transfers and upper-level who have gone through the same process. Our GroupMe will serve as a vital source of information during orientation and beyond. By joining the group, you will also be able to interact with tPHINS (Transfer Peers Helping Integrate New Students), who can help guide you throughout NSO. Congratulations once again; please don't hesitate to reach out and talk to us. You can email us at any of our individual emails or call the NSO office with any questions! We can't wait to meet you!

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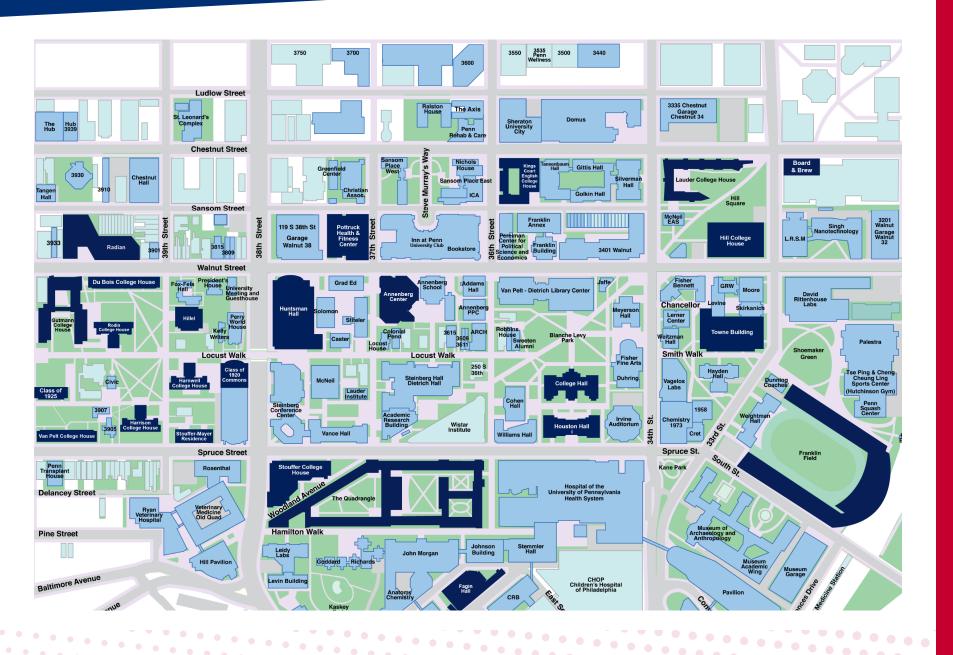
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# **CAMPUS MAP**

**TSO Event Locations** 

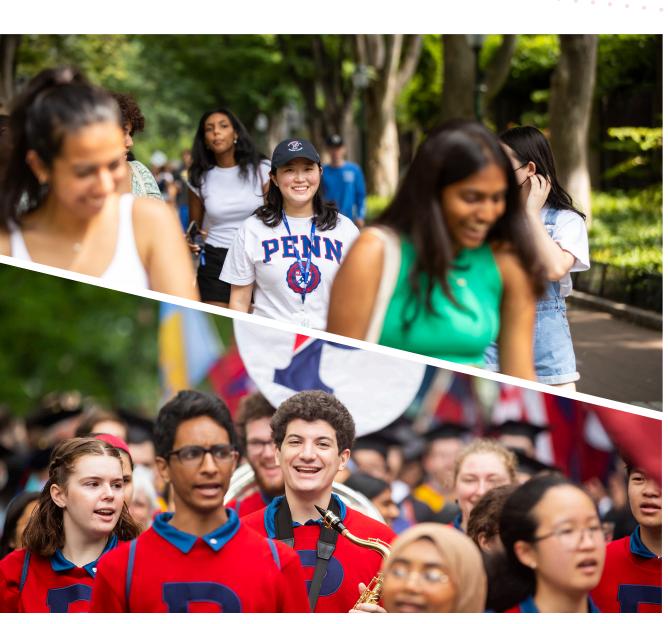
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# Calendar of Events

August 21 - September 1, 2023









#### MMANDATORY EVENTS ••••••• ••••••• TRANSFER STUDENT ORGANIZATION EVENTS

### **MONDAY AUGUST 21**

#### 11 am-1 pm

#### **PENN PARENTS & FAMILIES INFO &** REFRESHMENT STATION

Meet the Penn Parents Outreach & Development team and PHINS orientation leaders. Enjoy light refreshments as you get your questions answered. Location: Houston Hall, Reading Room

#### 1 6pm-9pm **WELCOME PICNIC &**

**DESSERT RECEPTION** Join us after move-in to share catered food and desserts. Let the fun of NSO begin! Location: Gutmann Lawn Rain Location: Gutmann MPR

### **TUESDAY AUGUST 22**

### 10am-12pm

#### **PENN PARENTS & FAMILIES WELCOME**

Drop-in event for transfer families and students to mingle and learn about resources that can be important. Light refreshments will be provided. Location: Houston Hall, Ben Franklin Room

#### 11 am

#### **LUNCH FOR** STUDENTS & FAMILIES

Locations: Hill & 1920 Commons dining cafes from 11am-4:30pm Locations: Lauder, Kings Court English House (Halal available) & Falk Hillel (Kosher available) from 11am-2pm

#### M 1:30pm-2:30pm TRANSFER STUDENT INFO SESSION I

An overview of the upcoming transfer orientation schedule. Receive your NSO Wristband. Location: College Hall 200

#### 3pm-5pm

### TPHIN GUIDED TOURS

The tPHINS will lead a tour of important buildings and landmarks on Penn's campus. Location: Meet at the Ben Franklin statue outside of College Hall

### 6:30pm-9pm

### **SMALL GROUP DINNERS**

Enjoy a wonderful introduction to local restaurants and cuisines. Chat with new friends and tPHINS in a relaxing, exciting atmosphere. Dinner provided. Location: Meet in front of Rodin

### **WEDNESDAY AUGUST 23**

### 7:30am-10am

### **BREAKFAST**

Locations: Hill, Kings Court English House, and 1920 Commons

#### M 10am-11:30am TRANSFER STUDENT INFO SESSION II

Upper-level transfers will let you know essential information all Penn students should know about Penn and Philly. Location: College Hall 200

### 11:30am-1pm

### TPHIN-LED LUNCH

Chat with friends and meet new transfer students while trying Penn dining cafes. Location: Meet in front of Rodin

#### **DINNER FOR STUDENTS & FAMILIES**

Locations: Hill & 1920 Commons Lauder, Kings Court English House (Halal available) dining cafes from 5pm-8pm Locations: Falk Hillel (Kosher available) from 5pm-7pm

### THURSDAY AUGUST 24

### 7:30am-10am

#### **BREAKFAST** Locations: Hill, Kings Court English House,

and 1920 Commons

#### M 10am-12pm TRANSFER ADVISING

### **SESSION: THE COLLEGE**

### Get instructions on The College's

procedures, policies, requirements, and curricular options. Location: College Hall 200

### 11:30am-1pm

### **TPHIN-LED LUNCH**

Chat with friends and meet new transfer students while trying Penn dining cafes. Location: Meet in front of Rodin

### **THURSDAY AUGUST 24**

#### 1:30pm-4pm

#### PHILLY WALKING TOURS

Join transfers for a tour throughout West Philly. We will all go as one big group (tPHINS and new transfers together) and take the SEPTA to center city, visiting Reading Terminal and other notable places along the way. Location: Meet in front of Rodin

### 5pm-8pm

#### DINNER

Locations: 1920 Commons, Hill, Kings Court English House, Lauder, and Falk Hillel dining cafes. Kosher dining available at Falk Hillel from 5pm-7pm. Halal dining available at Kings Court English.

### **FRIDAY AUGUST 25**

#### 7:30am-10am

#### **BREAKFAST**

Location: Hill, Kings Court English House, and 1920 Commons

### M 10am-12pm

### TRANSFER STUDENT INFO SESSION III

Receive critical information about Penn's websites, including Path@Penn. Hear from various offices regarding the resources available to you. Please bring your laptops. Location: College Hall 200

#### 11 am-2pm

#### LUNCH

Locations: 1920 Commons, Hill, Kings Court English House, Lauder, and Hillel dining cafes. Kosher dining available at Hillel. Halal dining available at Kings Court English House. McClelland is open 11am-7pm, Meal Swipe accepted.

#### M 11 am-12pm TRANSFER ADVISING **SESSION: NURSING**

Have your transfer credit and plan of study questions answered during this advising session with Penn Nursing. Location: Fagin Hall 209

### 1pm-3:30pm

#### **AFTERNOON COFFEE & BOARD GAMES**

Relax and take some time to enjoy one of Penn students' favorite coffee shop. Games and night refreshments provided. Location: The Board and Brew: 33rd & Chestnut, Phildadelphia, PA

### 5pm-8pm

### DINNER

Location: 1920 Commons, Hill, Kings Court English House, Lauder, and Falk Hillel dining cafes. Halal dining available at Kings Court English House.

### 8pm-10pm

## **WAFFLES &**

### **ICE CREAM NIGHT**

Join TSO and the Class Boards for a night filled with waffles, ice cream, and a selection of tasty toppings... a TSO tradition! Location: 1920 Commons Pergola Rain Location: Starbucks Dining Room

### **SATURDAY AUGUST 26**

### 10am-2pm

### **BRUNCH**

Locations: Hill, Kings Court English House, 1920 Commons, Lauder, and Hillel

### 10am-11:30am

### **FARMER'S MARKET @**

### CLARK PARK

#### Visit and explore the notable Clark Park Farmer's Market with TSO.

Location: Meet in front of Rodin

#### 2pm-3:30pm **MENTORSHIP &**

#### EXTRACURRICULAR FAIR Learn about pre-major, pre-professional,

mentorship, and extracurricular resources. Location: Houston Hall, Bodek Lounge

### 6:30pm-9pm

#### AN EVENING AT THE PMA

This is the gala event of NSO that everyone talk about! Enjoy music, dancing, and free admission to world-class galleries! Dinner served at the museum.

Bus Location: 37th and Spruce streets & 34th and Walnut streets

### **SUNDAY AUGUST 27**

### 10am-2pm

### **BRUNCH**

Locations: Hill, Kings Court English House, 1920 Commons, Lauder, and Hillel from 11am-2pm.

### 10am-11am

#### MORNING YOGA

Find your inner zen with morning yoga(ish). BYO mat/towel and water! Location: High Rise Lawn

### 11 am-2pm

### **PRECEPTORIALS**

Penn Preceptorials are not-for-credit sessions that introduce students to Penn's intellectual, cultural, and social resources. **Location: Various Locations** 

### 2pm-4pm

#### **BOBA & BROCHURES**

Join TSO to learn about affinity organizations on campus and wellness opportunities for transfer students. Location: Rodin Rooftop Lounge

#### 2pm-5pm

#### **PENNTRACKS WALKING TOURS: WEST PHILADELPHIA & UNIVERSITY CITY**

Walking tours engage Penn students with the gems of Penn's hometown like Clark Park and Cira Green. Location: See NSO website for details.

#### 1 4pm-6pm **NEW & OLD TRANSFER**

STUDENT MIXER

Join TSO to socialize with transfers throughout Penn. Soft pretzels, cookies, brownies & more will be served. Location: Gutmann Lawn Rain Location: Rodin Rooftop Lounge

### 5pm-8pm

#### DINNER

Locations: 1920 Commons, Hill, Kings Court English House, Lauder, McClelland and Hillel dining cafes. Kosher dining available at Hillel. Halal dining available at Kings Court English.

#### 7pm-9pm

#### **SECOND-YEAR ORIENTATION (SYO): PAFA DESSERT RECEPTION**

Second-year transfer students are invited to join the Class of 2026 for a dessert reception at the Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts.

Bus Locations: 40th and Walnut streets & 39th and Spruce streets

### 8pm-10pm

### **REXPO**

Join Penn Recreation & Athletics for the Recreation Open House! Tour the five floors of recreation spaces with an interactive passport activity to learn and engage in Campus Recreation activities. Jump into some fitness demos, try the Rock Climbing Wall, pool party, visit the Sport Club Expo, and so much more! Talk with Campus Rec and Athletics staff about all the ways to stay healthy and active with your friends on campus. Enjoy a live DJ and raffle prizes!

Location: Pottruck Health and Fitness

### **MONDAY AUGUST 28**

### 7:30am-10am

### **BREAKFAST**

Locations: Hill, Kings Court House, and

### M 10am-11:15am

1920 Commons.

### WHARTON TRANSFER **EXPERIENCE OVERVIEW** AND UPPER-LEVEL

### STUDENT PANEL

Learn about Wharton resources. Hear about the experiences of upper-level transfer students and ask questions. Location: Huntsman Hall G95

### 11 am-2pm

### LUNCH

Locations: 1920 Commons, Hill, Kings Court English House, Lauder, and Hillel dining cafes. Kosher dining available at Hillel. Halal dining available at Kings Court English House.

### 2pm-5pm

#### SYO: SUMMERFEST **SKATING @ PENN'S** LANDING

Class Board presents: Re-connect with fellow peers in Center City while enjoying an afternoon of skating. Registration QR code in the bottom right corner. Location: Penn's Landing

## 3:30pm-4pm

#### TRANSFER ADVISING **SESSION: ENGINEERING** Learn about transferring credits,

registration, and course selection for the School of Engineering. Location: Towne Building, Raisler Lounge **Room 225** 

## 6pm-9pm

#### SYO: PHILLIES GAME Class Board presents: Root for the

Philadelphia Phillies as they take on the Los Angeles Angels. Registration QR code in the bottom right corner. Location: Citizens Bank Park

#### 7pm-9:30pm

### CONVOCATION & PRESIDENT AND

dessert reception to celebrate. Penn ID required for entry into the stadium Location: Franklin Field

### **TUESDAY AUGUST 29**

#### 12pm-4pm

#### FALL ACTIVITIES FAIR

Be re-introduced to the amazing student-run clubs, activities, and resources Penn has to offer. Each day is dedicated to highlighting different club categories. Location: Locust Walk & College Green

5pm-6:30pm

#### PRESIDENT'S WELCOME **BACK RECEPTION**

Join President Magill and your fellow classmates for free food, live music, giveaways and more! Registration and Penn ID required. Register by emailing: prespic@pobox.upenn.edu Location: Shoemaker Green

### **WEDNESDAY AUGUST 30**

#### 12pm-4pm

#### FALL ACTIVITIES FAIR See Tuesday event description.

SYO: SPIKEBALL

in the bottom right corner.

Location: Gutmann Lawn

Location: Locust Walk & College Green 5pm-7pm

**TOURNAMENT** Class Board presents: Create a team to compete with fellow classmates and friends in a game of spikeball! There will also be free merch and food! Registration QR code

## **THURSDAY** AUGUST 31

### 11 am-1 pm

### SECOND-YEAR DAY

Rain Location: Gutmann MPR

Come explore Penn resources and services available to second-year students. Enjoy refreshments while mingling with Class Board and enter to win great raffle prizes! Location: Gutmann Lawn

### 12pm-4pm

#### **FALL ACTIVITIES FAIR** See Tuesday event description.

Location: Locust Walk & College Green 7<sub>pm</sub> STUDENT PERFORMING

ARTS NIGHT (SPAN)

a taste of the wide variety of performing clubs on campus ahead of auditions season. Bring some friends and see all the talent

Location: Zellerbach Theatre, Annenberg

Penn has to offer!

Center, 3680 Walnut St

Student Performing Arts Night (SPAN) is a

performance that features 50+ performing

arts groups. It is designed to give students

## **FRIDAY** SEPTEMBER 1

#### MASK & WIG AND **BLOOMERS PRESENT:** FREE SHOW!

be performing some of their best sketches and musical numbers in a one-nightonly, no-holds-barred, anything goes extravaganza. Location: Zellerbach Theatre, Annenberg

Penn's two premier comedy groups will

TO FIND MORE MEAL TIMES/LOCATIONS, FAMILY PROGRAMS, AND OTHER EVENTS, PLEASE **REFER TO THE NSO** CALENDAR.

Scan this QR code to register for SYO events and suggest programs during the academic year.



# PROVOST'S RECEPTION

#### This formal ceremony inducts incoming classes to the Penn community. After convocation, mingle and enjoy a delicious