# FIRST-GENERATION AND/OR LIMITED INCOME





## DEAR FGLI STUDENTS,

Welcome to Penn! We are excited that you will be joining the Penn First Plus community! As you journey through Penn, you might also witness the FGLI (pronounced FIG-lee) term being used as the umbrella term for students who might be the first in their families to pursue the baccalaureate and/or come from communities with limited or modest financial resources.

FGLI students make up about 24% of the undergraduate student body, so you will find many peers who can share your experience of figuring out the financial aspects of life or of being at college for the first time. Penn First Plus—P1P for short—is Penn's initiative for celebrating and empowering this growing community of students. The community is so large, we have 8-ish (the number keeps growing) student organizations dedicated to your overlapping academic interests and intersecting identities.

We have several exciting events to celebrate your arrival at Penn, and our goal in the coming weeks is to set you up for success! Success begins with building community. We hope you take the time through our programs and those of the many student organizations at Penn to foster connections with new friends, faculty, and staff.

After New Student Orientation, we will work with campus offices to take a deeper dive into topics of special interest to the FGLI community. To stay aware of the latest workshops, study breaks, social events, and resources, visit our website: pennfirstplus.upenn.edu.

Follow us on Instagram @pennfirstplus, where we post reminders about events we are hosting and breaking news about resources.

Sincerely,

Dr. Marc A. Lo Executive Director Penn First Plus (P1P) lomarc@upenn.edu

### **FIRST-GENERATION** AND/OR LIMITED INCOME

### MONDAY, AUGUST 18

#### 9am-5pm

### FIRST-GENERATION AND/OR LIMITED INCOME STUDENT **WELCOME CENTER**

Meet the Penn First Plus team and pick up orientation materials! Location: Shleifer Family Penn First Plus Center,

College Hall G01 5:30pm-7:30pm

### FIRST-GENERATION-TO-COLLEGE (PLUS) WELCOME RECEPTION

Enjoy light refreshments and meet other students who are first-generation and/or limited-income, as well as faculty and staff supporters! Family members are also welcome!

Location: Institute of Contemporary Art (ICA), 118 S 36th St





### TUESDAY, AUGUST 19

#### 9am-5pm

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Meet the Penn First Plus team and pick up orientation materials!

Location: Shleifer Family Penn First Plus Center, College Hall G01

#### 9:30am-12:30pm; 2:30pm-5:30pm

#### **IKEA SHOPPING TRIP**

Take a bus to IKEA to shop for necessities for your room and pick up some freebies! Buses will départ campus at 9:30am and return by 12:30pm, with a second trip departing at 2:30pm and returning by 5:30pm.

Bus Location: 37th St between Sansom St & Chestnut St

#### 2pm-3pm

#### ICE CREAM SOCIAL WITH THE FINANCIAL AID TEAM

Join representatives from Penn's Financial Aid office for an informal opportunity to connect with the staff that helps ensure you understand and access Penn's Financial Aid program. Ice cream and popsicles will be served.

Location: Shleifer Family Penn First Plus Center, College Hall G01

#### 7pm-10pm

#### ARCADE NIGHT

A night of carnival snacks where students will be able to mingle and play arcade games in Houston Hall, featuring Penn Traditions trivia with prizes! Location: Houston Hall



### WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 20

M 10am-12pm

#### **NAVIGATING THE FIRST-**GENERATION AND/OR LIMITED INCOME EXPERIENCE AT PENN

One of the best parts of Penn is the amazingly supportive faculty and staff who help you find your people and succeed on your journey! Join them for this interactive session on making the most of your college experience.

Location: Irvine Auditorium

#### 2pm-4pm

#### PHILLY FUN TOURS

Join the PHINS Orientation Leaders to learn more about fun, no-to-low-cost places to visit in Philly. SEPTA (bus, subway passes) will be provided. Visit places like Magic Gardens, Old City, Bartram's Garden, Chinatown, and more! Location: Shleifer Family Penn First Plus Center, College Hall G01



TO FIND A CAMPUS MAP, MEAL TIMES/LOCATIONS, FAMILY PROGRAMS, AND OTHER EVENTS, PLEASE REFER TO THE NSO CALENDAR.

