ENJOY PHILADELPHIA!
Things to Do, Where to Live, How to Get Around
WELCOME TO PHILADELPHIA!

There is no better place to study law in the U.S. than in Philadelphia, the United States' first World Heritage City. The Declaration of Independence and the U.S. Constitution both were written here, and studying about rights and responsibilities where the American government took shape is a singular opportunity. But Philadelphia is about much more than history.
I. PHILADELPHIA

We are a “City of Neighborhoods”

Philadelphia, the fifth largest city in the United States, has a well-deserved reputation as one of the most livable cities in the country, a major urban center that has retained the feel of a “city of neighborhoods.” Whether you prefer the home-cooked Italian flavor of South Philly; the progressive political climate of Mt. Airy; the quirky, industrial culture of Northern Liberties; or the sophisticated, bustling nightlife of Rittenhouse Square and Old City; Philadelphia has a neighborhood that’s right for you. Be sure to venture out to explore the neighborhoods and get to know Philadelphia. With world-class museums, the Kimmel Center for the Performing Arts, and more than 10 professional sports teams in the area, there is always something to see or do. For a little fresh air, head to Philadelphia’s Fairmount Park, one of the largest metropolitan parks in the nation, which offers plenty of scenic jogging, biking, and hiking trails. There’s even a wonderful path along the Schuylkill River from Center City, past the Philadelphia Museum of Art and Boathouse Row, perfect for jogging or biking or a leisurely stroll. Philadelphia is also just an hour’s drive from the Jersey Shore and the Poconos, providing city residents with ocean waves in the summer and ski slopes in the winter. Though Philadelphia is the second-largest city on the East Coast, it is the heart of the Northeast Corridor, only a one-hour-and-20-minute trip from New York or two-hour trip from Washington, D.C., by train.
The city has some of the most well-reviewed restaurants in the nation featuring world-renowned chefs. Rittenhouse Square is a great place to spend a beautiful afternoon, and its cafés are fabulous for people-watching over an evening cocktail. Old City is one of Philly’s hot spots, with great restaurants, bars, and clubs. Don’t miss out on “First Friday,” the first Friday of every month on which Old City’s numerous art galleries throw opening parties in the evening, and whose crowds spill out into the streets. Follow any night out with a late-night visit to Pat’s or Geno’s at 9th and Passyunk in South Philly. These two famous steak places are open 24 hours (but closed major holidays). And be sure to explore every neighborhood’s local gems, such as Frankford Hall or Johnny Brenda’s in Northern Liberties or Pizzeria Vetri in Fairmount.

Philadelphia is one of the world’s most exciting cities — which may be why National Geographic named Philadelphia the “Next Great City.” Whether you’re here for just one year or for your entire life, make sure to take advantage of everything the city has to offer.
There are countless things to do and places to go in Philly. Philadelphia is consistently rated as one of the best restaurant cities in the country, and bars, concerts, and cultural and sporting events are plentiful. Penn Law students take full advantage of all the city has to offer.

FIND TIME TO GO OUT AND ENJOY PHILLY.
The following is a small sampling of popular destinations (bars, restaurants, movie theaters, sporting and concert venues, and museums) for Penn students!

For more complete descriptions and details, please check out a great resource for Philly nightlife, http://philadelphia.citysearch.com/.

(* indicates location on or around Penn’s campus)

**PUBS**

**Bars/Clubs:**

- **The Bards** *(an Irish pub)*
  2013 Walnut Street

- **The Cambridge**
  1508 South Street

- **City Tap House**
  3925 Walnut Street

- **Continental** *(martini bar and restaurant)*
  138 Market Street

- **Continental Mid-Town** *(great rooftop bar)*
  1801 Chestnut Street

- **Dock Street Brewery***
  701 South 50th Street

- **Drinker’s Pub**
  1903 Chestnut Street

- **Frankford Hall** *(beer garden)*
  1210 Frankford Avenue

- **Harvest Seasonal Grill & Wine Bar** *(also good for lunch and dinner)*
  200 S. 40th Street

- **iCandy** *(popular LGBT nightclub)*
  254 S. 12th Street

- **Ladder 15**
  1528 Sansom Street

- **Las Vegas Lounge**
  704 Chestnut Street

- **Local 44*** *(great brunch)*
  4333 Spruce Street

- **McGillin’s Old Ale House** *(Irish pub, Philly’s oldest continuously operating tavern)*
  1310 Drury Street

- **Pub & Kitchen**
  1946 Lombard Street

- **Smokey Joe’s**
  201 S. 40th Street

- **Standard Tap** *(featuring draft beers from almost 2 dozen local breweries)*
  901 N. 2nd Street

- **Silk City** *(diner, lounge, & beer garden)*
  435 Spring Garden Street

- **Voyeur** *(popular LGBT nightclub)*
  1221 St. James Street

- **Williams Street Commons** *(also popular brunch spot)*
  3900 Chestnut Street

**Sports Bars:**

- **Cavanaugh’s*** *(great for watching games, W. Philly)*
  119 S. 39th Street

- **Fox and Hound** *(great for watching games, downtown)*
  1501 Spruce Street

- **Public House**
  2 Logan Square
RESTAURANTS

**American/Contemporary:**
- Barclay Prime (upscale steakhouse with an innovative menu)
  237 S. 18th Street
- Chloe (one of the best BYOs in the city)
  232 Arch Street
- City Tap House*
  3925 Walnut Street
- Farmicia (fresh, free-range and organic food)
  15 S. 3rd Street
- Honey's Sit 'n' Eat (great brunch)
  2101 South Street
- Village Whiskey
  18 S. 20th Street

**Chinese:**
- Beijing*
  3714 Spruce Street
- Han Dynasty* (Best of Philly)
  3711 Market Street (and multiple locations)
- Sangkee Noodle House* (affordable Chinatown dim sum)
  3549 Chestnut Street (and multiple locations)
- Won's*
  214 S. 40th Street

**Latin/Caribbean:**
- Alma de Cuba (the ultimate in cool and stylish)
  1623 Walnut Street
- Cuba Libre (mojitos and salsa dancing!)
  10 S. 2nd Street
- Fogo de Chao (authentic Brazilian steakhouse)
  1337 Chestnut Street
- Mixto (authentic Cuban/Latin/Caribbean, huge portions)
  1411 Pine Street

**French:**
- Bistro St. Tropez (romantic, with beautiful view)
  2400 Market Street
- Caribou Café
  1126 Walnut Street
- Creperie Beau Monde
  624 S. 6th Street
- Parc Restaurant Bistro & Cafe
  227 S. 18th Street
- Rouge
  205 S. 18th Street

**Indian:**
- Karma (excellent Indian food)
  114 Chestnut Street
- Sitar India* (along with Tandoor, campus favorite for Indian)
  60 S. 38th Street
- Tandoor India*
  108 S. 40th Street
- Tiffin
  712 W. Girard Avenue

**Italian:**
- Bistro la Baia (BYO)
  1700 Lombard Street
- Gnocchi (South Philly BYO; hectic but fun and good)
  613 E. Passyunk Avenue
- La Viola (romantic BYO)
  253 S. 16th Street
- Penne* (restaurant at Inn at Penn)
  3611 Walnut Street
- Pietro's Pizza (brick oven pizza, downtown)
  1714 Walnut Street; 121 South Street
- Ralph's (South Philly institution)
  760 S. 9th Street
- Vetri
  1312 Spruce Street
- And on just about every corner in South Philly!

**Japanese:**
- Hikaru
  607 S. 2nd Street
- Morimoto (The Iron Chef's restaurant! Very hip, expensive)
  723 Chestnut Street

**Mexican:**
- Copabana* (weekday happy hour)
  4000 Spruce Street (and multiple locations)
- Distrito*
  3945 Chestnut Street
- El Azteca II (BYO tequila)
  714 Chestnut Street
- El Vez
  121 S. 13th Street
- Lolita (BYO tequila)
  106 S. 13th Street
- Mad Mex* (weekday happy hour)
  3401 Walnut Street

**Middle-Eastern:**
- Ariana Restaurant (tasty Afghan food)
  134 Chestnut Street
- Aya's Cafe (Egyptian & Mediterranean)
  2129 Arch Street
- Fez Moroccan Restaurant (featuring a seven course feast and hookah)
  620 S. 2nd Street
- Marrakech (incredible decor)
  517 S. Leithgow Street

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(left) Market Street in Center City has many dining attractions.
(right) Citizens Bank Park, home of the Phillies.
The Philadelphia Museum of Art overlooks the historic Waterworks.
MARKETS & GROCERY STORES

Di Bruno Bros.  
(gourmet foods and cheeses)  
1730 Chestnut Street

Fresh Grocer*  
4001 Walnut Street

Italian Market  
(outdoor market in South Philly)  
9th Street, from Wharton to Fitzwater Streets

Reading Terminal Market  
(indoor farmer's market)  
51 N. 12th Street

Trader Joe's  
2121 Market Street

Whole Foods  
(with free parking garage!)  
929 South Street  
(and multiple locations)

MOVIE THEATERS

Landmark Ritz at the Bourse  
(primarily art and foreign films)  
400 Ranstead Street

Landmark Ritz East  
125 S. 2nd Street

Landmark Ritz Five  
214 Walnut Street

Rave Motion Pictures*  
(has a restaurant and bar too!)  
4012 Walnut Street

Roxy Theater  
2023 Sansom Street

SPORTING AND CONCERT VENUES

Citizens Bank Ballpark  
(Phillies' stadium)  
One Citizens Bank Way

Lincoln Financial Field  
(Eagles' stadium)  
One Lincoln Financial Field Way/1020 Pattison Avenue

Wells Fargo Center  
(home to the Sixers, Flyers, and large musical acts)  
3601 S. Broad Street

Academy of Music  
(home to PA Ballet and Opera Co. of Philly)  
240 S. Broad Street

Annenberg Center (Penn Presents)*  
(dance, music, theatre)  
3680 Walnut Street

Arden Theatre  
(children's theatre in addition to a main stage)  
40 N. 2nd Street

Chamber Orchestra of Philadelphia  
1520 Locust Street

Electric Factory  
(alternative bands)  
421 N. 7th Street

Kimmel Center for the Performing Arts  
(the city's premiere performing arts venue)  
300 S. Broad Street

Painted Bride Art Center  
230 Vine Street

People's Light & Theatre Co.  
39 Conestoga Road, Malvern, PA

Philadelphia Orchestra  
(Kimmel Center)  
300 S. Broad Street

Prince Music Theatre  
(musicals and film series)  
1412 Chestnut Street

Suzanna Roberts Theatre  
(home to the Philadelphia Theatre Company)  
480 S. Broad Street

Theater of the Living Arts (TLA)  
(diverse musical acts, standing room only, intimate venue)  
334 South Street

Trocadero  
(punk, indie rock, and metal shows)  
1003 Arch Street

Union Transfer  
(live music)  
1026 Spring Garden Street

Wilmington Theatre  
825 Walnut Street

World Café Live*  
(live entertainment daily, part of WXPN, Penn's radio station)  
3025 Walnut Street

MUSEUMS

Academy of Natural Sciences  
1900 Benjamin Franklin Parkway

African American Museum in Philadelphia  
(dolls, folk art, among the 500,000 artifacts)  
701 Arch Street

Philadelphia Museum of Art  
2600 Benjamin Franklin Parkway

Philadelphia History Museum  
15 S. 7th Street

Barnes Foundation  
(one of the world's leading collections of French Impressionist and Post-Impressionist painting)  
2025 Benjamin Franklin Parkway

Franklin Institute Science Museum  
(world class science museum, with IMAX and planetarium)  
222 N. 20th Street

Historical Society of Pennsylvania  
1300 Locust Street

Independence Seaport Museum  
211 S. Columbus Boulevard

Institute of Contemporary Art*  
(international modern art museum a block from Penn Law)  
118 S. 36th Street

National Constitution Center  
(the story of the Constitution through more than 100 interactive and multimedia exhibits, Penn Law Partner and site for Orientation dinner)  
525 Arch Street

Philadelphia Museum of Art  
(world class art museum)  
2600 Benjamin Franklin Parkway

Rodin Museum  
(the largest Rodin collection outside of Paris)  
2151 Benjamin Franklin Parkway

Rosenbach Museum and Library  
(footer a large James Joyce collection and a Maurice Sendak gallery)  
2008 Delancey Street

University Museum of Archaeology and Anthropology*  
(Collection compared to British, Smithsonian, and Met, part of Penn!)  
3260 South Street
II. WHERE TO LIVE

You may choose to live on campus, in the high-rise apartment buildings at Sansom Place, or you can live off-campus, as most graduate and professional students at Penn do. Penn Law students live throughout the city, taking advantage of a wide array of housing options near Penn, or in neighborhoods that are accessible by public transportation. Compared to other metropolitan areas, you will find the rents surprisingly affordable.

This booklet provides an overview of your many options. More detailed information is available on the Admitted Student Website (www.law.upenn.edu/admitted/grad/).

Assistance with your search is also available from Penn Residential Services, located in Stouffer Commons at 3702 Spruce Street, reachable online at www.upenn.edu/housing.
You can contact the Graduate Housing Office:
Phone: 215.898.3547
Email: living@pobox.upenn.edu

You can contact the Office of Off-Campus Services:
Phone: 215.898.8500
www.upenn.edu/offcampusservices/

CENTER CITY APARTMENT COMPLEXES

1. 1500 Locust
   1500 Locust Street - (215) 240-8232
2. 1700 Walnut
   1700 Walnut Street - (215) 546-6700
3. 1930 Chestnut
   1930 Chestnut Street - (215) 600-1968
4. 2121 Market
   2121 Market Street - (215) 567-7488
5. 222 Rittenhouse
   222 W. Rittenhouse Square - (215) 222-7275
6. 2400 Chestnut
   2400 Chestnut Street - (215) 561-2700
7. The Chatham
   135 S. 20th Street - (215) 563-5751
8. The Dorchester
   226 W. Rittenhouse Square - (215) 545-1500
9. The Drake Tower
   1512 Spruce Street - (866) 963-3088
10. Edgewater Apartments
    2323 Race Street - (215) 352-4420
11. Embassy Apts
    2100 Walnut Street - (215) 567-7488
12. Liberty View
    2031 South Street - (267) 467-4602
13. Locust on the Park
    201 S. 25th Street - (215) 735-1810
14. Lofts at 1835
    1835 Arch Street - (215) 568-1835
15. The Metropolitan
    117 N. 15th Street - (215) 854-0729
16. Museum Towers
    1801 Buttonwood Street - (215) 569-0090
17. The Packard
    317 N. Broad Street - (215) 351-0930
18. Park Towne Place
    2200 Ben Franklin Parkway - (267) 773-6373
19. The Phoenix
    1600 Arch Street - (267) 322-5020
20. Rittenhouse Claridge
    201 S. 18th Street - (215) 546-2525
21. Riverloft Apartments
    2300 Walnut Street - (267) 773-6374
22. Riverwest
    2101 Chestnut Street - (215) 563-0995
23. Roosevelt Apts
    2220 Walnut Street - (215) 640-8880
24. The St. James
    200 W. Washington Square - (844) 304-8752
25. The Sterling
    1815 J F Kennedy Boulevard - (267) 773-6372
26. The Versailles
    1530 Locust Street - (215) 545-6008
27. Wanamaker House
    2020 Walnut Street - (215) 361-6955
28. The Wellington
    135 S. 19th Street - (215) 567-7810
29. The Westbury
    271 S. 15th Street - (215) 735-8030
30. Westminster Arch
    2215 Arch Street - (215) 567-4179

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ON-CAMPUS

Each year some LLMs choose to live nearby in a furnished apartment in the Graduate Towers, known as Sansom Place — the on-campus living quarters for graduate and professional students. Sansom Place is located at 36th and Chestnut Streets, just one block from the Law School.

Sansom Place includes one-bedroom apartments, two-bedroom apartments, and single rooms with a shared bathroom. All units are furnished.

Approximate Monthly Rent for 2015–16:
- Single Room w/ shared bath — $934
- Single Apt (1BR/liv.area/kit/bath) — $1,632
- Double Apt (2BR/kit/bath) — $999 per person

If you are interested in Sansom Place, please be aware that the Graduate Housing Office cannot process a request for housing until a student has a PennKey (typically in May.) However, Sansom Place is aware of this situation and reserves a number of rooms for LLM students. Besides Sansom Place, there are several housing options that are very close to Penn Law, but not directly affiliated with Penn:

International House: Approximately 350 residents from over 80 countries, including the United States, live in International House. This non-profit tries to foster a warm residential community where cultural and ethnic differences are shared and celebrated. Residents include undergraduate and graduate students who live at International House while attending colleges and universities throughout the Philadelphia area. The housing options at International House include singles, doubles, and apartments. [http://ihousephiladelphia.org/](http://ihousephiladelphia.org/)

Evo at Circa Center: A privately owned building with furnished apartments that recently opened very close to the Law School. [http://www.evophilly.com/#whats-evo](http://www.evophilly.com/#whats-evo)

Visit [www.business-services.upenn.edu/housing/graduate.html](http://www.business-services.upenn.edu/housing/graduate.html) for more information and an application.

OFF-CAMPUS

Many LLM students live off-campus, preferring to have more separation from the Law School, their own furnishings, and to better be able to enjoy the city.

As you get started, it’s best to have a sense of which of Philly’s neighborhoods best suits your needs. If you can, it’s best to visit and check out the areas for yourself. Hopefully, this overview will give you a sense of what to expect.
Penn is located in University City in West Philadelphia. Students often live in the area surrounding the campus up towards 45th Street since it is affordable and convenient. Generally, the closer you are to campus, the higher the rents will be. You will find that many apartments and houses have laundry facilities or there will be a laundromat nearby. There is a multi-screen movie theater, restaurants, shops, and Fresh Grocer (a large supermarket). (More information is available towards the end of this brochure, providing you a more comprehensive listing of shopping and other services surrounding the Penn campus.)

Powelton Village
Powelton Village is a community a few blocks north of the campus with a population of students, working people, and families. It primarily consists of houses or houses converted into apartments. It is no farther from campus than many West Philadelphia locations.

Center City
Center City is the downtown of Philadelphia, east of the Schuylkill River and easily accessible to Penn Law. Students who live here say that they often enjoy their walk to the Law School (one to two and a half miles) and the strong public transportation that is available: buses, subway, trolley, and the Penn shuttle. The apartments and houses here are usually better kept, smaller, and more expensive. Even though students do not comprise the majority of the population here, students appreciate its pleasant neighborhoods. One can live in a picturesque, 19th-century neighborhood or a highrise apartment building, within walking distance of theaters, specialty shops, cafes, and much of Philadelphia's nightlife.

Fairmount
Also known as the “Art Museum Area” due to its proximity to the Philadelphia Museum of Art, Rodin Museum, and the new Barnes Foundation, Fairmount is a thriving and walkable neighborhood that has all the benefits of living in the city, but with a small-town feeling. Populated with young families and professionals, the neighborhood is home to many up-and-coming restaurants like Pizzeria Vetri, Urban Saloon, and The Belgian Café, as well as beautiful green spaces. In the heart of Fairmount looms the Eastern State Penitentiary, a historical haunt which plays host to the area's Halloween and Bastille Day Celebrations. With street parking and many affordable rentals in the neighborhood, Fairmount allows for a short commute through the city's subway and trolley lines.

Graduate Hospital
Take a 10-minute walk from the Law School over the South Street Bridge and you’ll be in the Graduate Hospital neighborhood. Often called “South Street West” or “South of South,” the area is the perfect midpoint between Penn’s campus and Center City. Along South Street you’ll find many small businesses, boutiques, and bars like Grace Tavern, Ten Stone, or Sidecar Bar. Many popular brunch and lunch spots like Honey’s on South and Kermit’s Bake Shop (a pizzeria-bakery hybrid) make this a perfect neighborhood for weekend strolls — and you’ll be sure to see plenty of other people doing the same with their kids or dogs! Graduate Hospital also has hidden gems for those who love being active outdoors, such as a baseball field, dog parks, tennis courts, and, in the summer, an amazingly empty public pool! With a decent rental market of small apartments and single-family row homes, you’ll find Graduate Hospital an easy place to settle in.
Rittenhouse Square is a park in the heart of Philadelphia: a green, leafy oasis, bounded by Walnut Street, 18th and 20th Streets, and Spruce Street. Most of the buildings directly surrounding Rittenhouse Square are architecturally notable: elegant turn-of-the-century apartment buildings, brownstones, and the mansions that make up the Curtis Institute and the Art Alliance, as well as modern high-rises. The strip of Walnut Street near Rittenhouse Square features a good selection of upscale shops, boutiques, and restaurants. The Rittenhouse Square area is a 15–25 minute walk to the Law School, and transportation is easily accessible, including the PennBUS that runs evenings to parts of this area.

Washington Square, located between 6th and 7th Streets and Walnut and Locust Streets, is surrounded by 20th-century multi-story apartment buildings, 19th-century townhouses, an Athenaeum with a Victorian bent, and several businesses, some dating to the 18th-century. This is an upscale area that is populated primarily by professionals, but students will enjoy its proximity to Old City and Rittenhouse Square. Various forms of public transportation are available to take you to Penn, as this area is farther from the campus.

Old City is considered by many to be Philadelphia’s SoHo, Old City is the birthplace of Philadelphia, and now one of the hottest areas in town. In addition to being home to the Liberty Bell and Independence Hall, the dynamic resurgence in this neighborhood places you right in the center of community theaters, galleries, trendy shops and services, eclectic clubs, bars, and cafés. Plus, you are within walking distance to the quaint brownstones and attractions of Society Hill, the Market Street East shopping and historic corridor, and the entertainment venues along Penn’s Landing waterfront district. Many older factories and warehouses in the area have been beautifully restored into luxury apartments and lofts. Various forms of public transportation are easily accessible from this area, as it is a long walk from Penn.

Germantown, Manayunk, Chestnut Hill The Chestnut Hill area, a National Historic District, is a very beautiful four square mile neighborhood with cobblestone streets and a fascinating mix of architectural styles — grand stone mansions, farmhouses, stone and brick twins. The quaint boutiques and shops along Germantown Avenue, and the large number of restaurants and cafes, give Chestnut Hill a European village look and feel. Manayunk is a choice destination both for living and for going out, with its bistros, restaurants, clubs, boutiques and its hilly, steep streets. Penn Law is an approximately 15–20 minute bus or train ride away from these areas.

The Suburbs Various suburban areas outside the city include rental houses and apartment complexes. One must travel to school by car or train, with a fair amount of time spent traveling. The advantages include lower rent and better kept areas with more shopping available (usually lower priced groceries!) and access to high quality public schools. Delaware County, southwest of Philadelphia, offers a wide variety of housing choices — from 18th-century stone houses to modern rowhomes and community-oriented housing. Montgomery County comprises several distinctive areas, the most popular of which is known as the Main Line, itself consisting of about 60 different communities.
OFFICE OF OFF-CAMPUS SERVICES (OCS)

The University of Pennsylvania Office of Off Campus Services (OCS), at 3702 Spruce Street, will assist you at all stages of your off campus living experience, from locating suitable housing, to finding roommates, to reviewing leases and assisting in landlord-tenant matters. You can access all of the office’s information, including an interactive housing search tool, online at http://cms.business-services.upenn.edu/offcampusservices.

When you are in town, you can use the OCS office as your base for your housing search. The user-friendly office has computer terminals for your searches and telephones to call and set up appointments.

Available services include:

- Interactive database of available rentals, updated daily, with several hundred available units at any given time. Listings include individual rental units (studios, one-, two-, three or more- bedroom apartments and houses) furnished or unfurnished, as well as house share and sublet opportunities. Most of the rental listings are for University City and Center City areas, which are outlined on the maps on pages 8–9 in this booklet. Suburban listings are also available. Available units can be either in high-rise or other types of apartment buildings, in converted University City Victorian homes or Center City brownstones. You can run a customized search at www.upenn.edu/offcampusservices.

- If you are looking for a roommate, whether you already have a place or not, you can use the roommate search service to reach out to other graduate students who are also looking to share an apartment.

- The office maintains lists of apartment buildings and landlords/realtors for the main areas of the city, with contact information for each and links to websites, if available.

- OCS organizes an annual rental housing fair every spring, at which time students can become familiar with the many housing options available, meet landlords, tour properties, and make informed decisions about housing.

- Consumer information about leases, landlord tenant law, housing code requirements, utilities, apartment rental costs, budgeting, safety, renter’s insurance, daycare and schools, transportation, temporary housing, finances, etc. is available in the office. All this information is also available online, under different menu options.

- OCS reviews leases and offers counseling to tenants who have lease questions or are involved in landlord/tenant disputes.

- University of Pennsylvania students have access to University subsidized legal assistance in landlord and tenant matters. A referral from OCS must first be obtained.

For more information
www.upenn.edu/offcampusservices | 215.898.8500 | ocliving@exchange.upenn.edu
III. GETTING AROUND

For more detailed information, see http://www.upenn.edu/transportation/.
For those of you coming from a city like London, Beijing, or São Paulo, the size of Philadelphia will seem rather modest in comparison. Learning to get around will be mere child’s play. For the rest of you coming from small cities or rural areas, you may be somewhat overwhelmed by the City of Brotherly Love at first blush. Worry not, for with the aid of this guide, you will be shocked at how quickly you attain your newfound mastery of the Philly transportation network. It’s easy without a car, so you might want to consider not bringing one to Law School. (Car insurance is expensive in Philadelphia, as is parking.)

Walking

If you are lucky to live within walking distance from the Law School, take advantage! Walking one mile at a fairly brisk pace will take about 20 minutes, and it’s a great way to get your daily exercise in.

Biking

The larger streets in Philadelphia have good, spacious bike lanes, and many Penn Law students take advantage. One piece of indispensable advice: you need a high quality U-lock to protect your bike and a helmet too! In September 2009, the City launched an “expressway” for bicyclists from river to river, eastbound on Pine Street and westbound on Spruce Street. (We’re only four blocks from the Schuykill River.) In addition, Philadelphia has an extensive bike share program, Indego, with stations on campus.

Cabs

Taxis in Philadelphia aren’t too expensive and should be easy to find along the main thoroughfares of Chestnut and Walnut streets. If you want to “guarantee” a cab, just go nearby to the Sheraton Hotel at 36th and Chestnut Street, the Inn at Penn at 37th and Sansom, or near UPENN Hospital at 34th and Spruce Street. A one-way ride to Center City (depending on your destination) will run around $5–$9. However, when it’s late at night and you are out of the bounds of the Penn Escort Service, a taxi is definitely your best option. Taxis run on a meter system, except from the airport where they charge a flat fee of around $28 (a tip of 15–20% is customary).

Subway/Trolley

Most students who ride the subway take the Blue Line (also known as the Market Frankford line, MFL, or just the el), which runs east-west (all the way from 2nd & Market to 69th & Market). During rush hour, there’s a train every five minutes or so. At other times, the intervals range up to 10–15 minutes between trains.

Trolleys go right to 36th & Sansom Street. They are small — almost bus-like — and you must board the trolley immediately or they will take off without you.

Each ride costs a flat fee of $2.25 (if you pay by cash), or $1.80 (if you buy tokens ahead of time), or $24 (for a weekly Transpass/$91 for a monthly). Warning: not all stations are equipped with token machines (e.g., the 34th & Market station closest to the Law School does NOT have one), so make sure to have tokens ahead of time or bring cash with you to pay the teller. Alternatively, Penn students can also purchase a Penn Pass that’s good on SEPTA subway/trolley/buses for one semester, which gives unlimited rides within the City of Philadelphia as well as rides on the R1 line to the airport.

For more information about public transportation, see http://www.septa.org/.
Bus

Buses are the same price as the subway trolley and also accept SEPTA tokens and the Penn Pass. Buses 21 and 42 head westward (from Center City towards West Philadelphia) on Walnut Street, and head eastward (from West Philadelphia towards Center City) on Chestnut Street. While convenient, the bus system is not as reliable or punctual as the subway.


Car-Sharing Services

Philadelphia has two options for those interested in the convenience of being able to rent a car for a few hours to make supermarket and IKEA runs, or the random day-trip. Enterprise CarShare has the most locations/vehicles around the city. ZipCar also has a presence in Philadelphia.

See also [http://www.zipcar.com/](http://www.zipcar.com/).

Penn Shuttle Services: (FREE!)

Various shuttle vehicles provide transportation to and from Campus Transit Stops, Center City, West Philadelphia, Powelton Village, within defined boundaries. Students generally wait for the shuttle to campus for around 5–20 minutes. Penn Shuttle provides “to door” transportation off campus within Penn Transit’s service area every day of the week between 6 p.m. and 3 a.m. (E shuttle is 12:20 a.m.–3 a.m. during week, 6 p.m.–7 a.m. Saturday and Sunday). There are three different Penn Shuttle routes: East, West, and Xtra. You can tell which route a Penn Shuttle is driving by the lit-up “E”, “W”, or “X” on top of the van. From 3 a.m.–7 a.m. a limited on-call service is available. For more information and schedules, please visit [http://cms.business-services.upenn.edu/transportation/types-of-services/penn-shuttles.html](http://cms.business-services.upenn.edu/transportation/types-of-services/penn-shuttles.html).

Penn Bus Services: (FREE!)

The Penn Bus East is an evening bus service which runs Monday through Friday between 5 p.m. and midnight, serving Center City (along Chestnut St., 23rd Street, South St., 20th Street, and Walnut Street). The Penn Bus West is an evening bus service which runs Monday through Friday between 5 p.m. and midnight, serving West Philadelphia (along Baltimore Avenue, Springfield Avenue, 48th Street, Pine Street, Locust Street, and Spruce Street). Both Penn Bus East and Penn Bus West operate on a fixed schedule and established route. They do not deviate from that route, but will pick up and deliver passengers at designated stops on campus and at any corner off campus along the route. For more information and schedules, please visit [http://cms.business-services.upenn.edu/transportation/know-before-you-go/navigating-penn-transit.html](http://cms.business-services.upenn.edu/transportation/know-before-you-go/navigating-penn-transit.html).

LUCY: (FREE!)

LUCY (Loop through University City) offers free transportation through University City serving 30th Street Station, the University of Pennsylvania, and surrounding areas for riders holding a valid PennCard. LUCY runs every 12–35 minutes Monday through Friday from 6:10 a.m.–7:00 p.m., except major holidays.
GETTING OUT OF TOWN

Convenient transportation is available if you want to enjoy other cities and destinations:

AMTRAK:
Only four blocks away at 30th Street, trains run on a regular basis. New York City is only one and a half hours away and Washington, D.C., is two hours away. A Student Advantage Card will save you 15 percent off the ticket price to any Amtrak destination.

PHILADELPHIA BOLTBUS AND MEGABUS:
Located on 30th Street, between Market and Chestnut, the Boltbus and Megabus offer an inexpensive way to get to New York City and Washington, D.C. Buses also feature wireless Internet and outlets.

GREYHOUND:
Greyhound also offers various destinations from its Philadelphia headquarters at 1001 Filbert Street and Greyhound Sigler Travel at 5608-10 N. Broad Street.

SEPTA COMMUTER TRAINS:
Septa offers many trains to the Philadelphia suburbs and a line to Trenton, NJ, where you can catch either Amtrak or NJ Transit (much less expensive) to New York City.

PATCO:
This is the commuter line to New Jersey that runs frequently and on-time.
WHERE CAN I GET A QUICK LUNCH OR SNACK AROUND CAMPUS?

Sidebar Café
Downstairs in Golkin Hall
(breakfast, lunch, soups, snacks)

Houston Hall
(Undergraduate food court with a variety of hot and cold options. We highly recommend the crepes!)
3417 Spruce Street

Baby Blues BBQ/New Deck/White Dog/Doc Magrogan’s/Mad4Mex
Sansom Street next to the Law School

Capogiro
(great gelato)
3925 Walnut Street

Cosi
140 S. 36th Street

Food Carts (Chinese, Fruit, Mediterranean, etc.)
34th & Walnut/36th & Spruce/35th & Spruce
Some are better than others, but they are all delicious and cheap!
Talk to your classmates about their personal faves!

Food Court
(Pizza, Quizno’s Taco Bell, etc.)
3401 Walnut Street

Hip City Veg
40th & Walnut Streets

Honeygrow
(asian fusion, on the go)
3731 Walnut Street

Kiwi Yogurt
3606 Chestnut Street

Pizza Rustica Restaurant & Bar
3602 Chestnut Street

Pod (Sushi, Contemporary Asian)
3636 Sansom Street

Sang Kee Noodle House
3549 Chestnut Street

Shake Shack
32nd & Chestnut Streets

Sweetgreen
(salads)
3925 Walnut Street

Wawa
3604 Chestnut Street

WHAT ABOUT COFFEE?

Avril 50
3406 Sansom Street

Cosi
140 S. 36th Street

Dunkin Donuts
3437 Walnut Street

Joe Coffee
32nd & Chestnut Streets

Penn Bookstore (2nd Floor)
3601 Walnut Street

Starbucks
3401 Walnut Street & 3421 Chestnut Street

WHERE CAN I BUY GROCERIES IF I LIVE AROUND SCHOOL?

Fresh Grocer
4001 Walnut Street

Trader Joe’s
2121 Market Street

WHERE’S THE CLOSEST DRUG STORE?

CVS
3401 Walnut Street & 3925 Walnut Street

WHERE CAN I BANK?

Bank of America
3925 Walnut Street

Citizens Bank
134 S. 34th Street

PNC
3535 Market Street & 200 S. 40th Street

Santander Bank
3131 Market Street

TD Bank
3735 Walnut Street

United Bank
3750 Lancaster Avenue

Wells Fargo Bank
3431 Chestnut Street

WHAT’S SHOPPING LIKE IN THE AREA AROUND THE LAW SCHOOL? WHAT SERVICES ARE NEARBY?

American Apparel
3611 Walnut Street

Ann Taylor Loft
120 S. 36th Street

Avril 50 (international newspapers, etc.)
3406 Sansom Street

Bonded Cleaners
3724 Spruce Street

Campus Copy Center
3907 Walnut Street

Computer Connection
3610 Sansom Street

Blue Mercury (cosmetics)
3603 Walnut Street

Eastern Mountain Sports
3401 Chestnut Street

Gap
3401 Walnut Street

House of Our Own Bookstore
3920 Spruce Street

Modern Eye
3419 Walnut Street

Natural Shoe Store
226 S. 40th Street

Off the Cuff Cleaners
3549 Chestnut Street

Penn Book Center
130 S. 34th Street

Pennsylvania Optometrics
3600 Market Street

Philadelphia Runner
3621 Walnut Street

Rose’s Florist
3551 Chestnut Street

Urban Outfitters
110 S. 36th Street

West Philadelphia Locksmith
31 S. 42nd Street

IS THERE A MOVIE THEATRE NEAR CAMPUS?

Rave Motion Pictures
230 S. 40th Street
(across from Fresh Grocer and Metropolitan Café)

WHERE CAN I GET MY HAIR CUT?

Adolf Biecker Studio
138 S. 34th Street

Jean Madeline Aveda Institute
3943 Chestnut Street

Joseph Anthony Salon
3743 Walnut Street

Michael’s Custom Cuts
4002 Spruce Street

Saturn Club
3426 Sansom Street

WHERE CAN I BANK?

Hilton Inn at Penn
3600 Sansom Street

Sheraton University City
3549 Chestnut Street

WHERE’S THE POST OFFICE?

3000 Chestnut Street

228 S. 40th Street
Does Penn have a gym where I can work out?

Yes! As a Penn student, you can work out at our two gyms. Pottruck Center at 3701 Walnut Street is the largest facility and has a full-service gym with a pool, fitness classes, a climbing wall, a fitness center, locker rooms, a sauna, etc. Hutchinson Gym at 219 S. 33rd Street (next to the Palestra, our basketball arena) contains a fitness center, squash courts, and lockers. Details about memberships and fees are available at http://www.upenn.edu/recreation/membership/.

Do I have access to tennis or squash courts?

Penn Law students have access to both types of courts. You can play tennis at the outdoor Hamlin courts at Penn Park or play indoors at the Levy Tennis Pavilion at 199 S. 31st Street (across 32nd Street from the Palestra). For information regarding court reservations at Levy, visit http://www.penntenniscenter.com/reservations.html.

Squash courts are available at the Ringe Squash Courts at 219 S. 33rd Street (between Franklin Field, our football stadium, and the Palestra). For information regarding court reservations at Ringe, visit http://www.upenn.edu/recreation/facilities/ringe.html.

Does Penn Law have any student fitness groups?

Absolutely! Amongst other clubs, there are a soccer (football) group, a boxing group, a running club, a flag football league and a basketball league, and an ice hockey team. Look out for information on these groups in On the Docket (emailed out each morning) or at the student group fair in the fall.

Where’s a great place to just go for a run or a bike ride?

How about 23 miles that run along the Schuylkill River from Center City, Philadelphia to Valley Forge National Historical Park in Montgomery County? The trail passes Manayunk (a great place for brunch) and leads to the park’s Betzwood Picnic Area.
PENN LAW REALLY HAS IT ALL:

a great city and campus, affordable and diverse housing.