
A Checklist for Accepted Students to the Graduate School of Education

1. Celebrate!
2. Join the GSE community by accepting your offer of admission.
 - To access the online enrollment form and submit your deposit, log in to your Apply Yourself account and click the link labeled “Click here to enroll”. If you were awarded a scholarship or graduate assistantship, be sure to print, sign, and return the offer letter.
 - Apply Yourself:
<https://app.applyyourself.com/AYApplicantLogin/ApplicantConnectLogin.asp?id=UPENN-ED>
3. Connect with other new students.
 - Join the Penn GSE Accepted Students 2013-2014 Facebook Group
 - Facebook: www.facebook.com
4. Create your Penn username.
 - An email from PennKey will be sent after the submission of your enrollment form and deposit one semester prior to matriculation. For example, if you've received an acceptance notification in November but won't matriculate until the following fall, your setup code will be sent during the spring semester. (The code expires after 30 days and after that time you will have to ask for a new one, so be sure to check your inbox and spam folders to make sure you don't miss it!)
 - PennKey: <http://www.gse.upenn.edu/gseit/support/pennkey>
 - For Help Visit: <http://www.upenn.edu/computing/pennkey/help/>
5. Create a Penn GSE e-mail account.
 - GSE email: <http://www.gse.upenn.edu/gseit/support/student-email>

- (but you'll need a PennKey to do this, so go back to Step 5 if you don't have your PennKey yet).

6. Apply for financial aid!

- If you are a U.S. citizen or permanent resident, visit www.sfs.upenn.edu for financial aid information. Next, go to www.fafsa.ed.gov and complete a Free Application for Federal Student Aid, preferably by April 15.
 - Financial Aid FAQs:
https://www.gse.upenn.edu/admissions_financial/finaidfaqs
 - Cost of Living Estimate:
https://www.gse.upenn.edu/students/estimated_living_expenses
 - If you are a master's student, please review important information regarding tuition fees, student budget, and valuable loan information.
 - Master's Students Important Information:
<https://www.gse.upenn.edu/resources/accepted-students>

7. Sign up for Direct Deposit.

- Direct deposit is the quickest and easiest way to have any student account refunds, wages, or other university reimbursements automatically deposited into your personal U.S. bank account. Go to Penn InTouch, select "Student Billing," and then "Enroll in Direct Deposit."
- Penn InTouch:
https://portal.apps.upenn.edu/penn_portal/intouch/splash.html

8. Find a place to live.

- Applications for On-Campus Housing Resources are available after April 1. If you're interested in Off-Campus Housing, begin searching after March 1. Applications for Graduate Associate Positions are available after December 1.
 - On Campus: <http://cms.business-services.upenn.edu/residential-services/>
 - Off Campus: http://cms.business-services.upenn.edu/offcampusservices/?p=graduate_guide/welcome
 - GA Positions: <http://www.collegehouses.upenn.edu/join>
 - General Info on moving to Philadelphia:
http://www.gse.upenn.edu/admissions_financial/neighborhoods

9. Update your personal information. Update your address information, emergency contacts, and profile on Penn InTouch. Carefully review your billing, local, and permanent addresses so that communications from Penn and GSE will be sent to the correct address. To update your email address, go to the Penn Directories and click "Update directory listings."
 - Penn in Touch:
https://portal.apps.upenn.edu/penn_portal/intouch/splash.html
 - Directories: <http://www.upenn.edu/directories/>

10. Go to the Student Health Services website for information on required health insurance and immunizations.
 - <http://www.vpul.upenn.edu/shs/>

11. Register for new student orientation!
 - <http://www.gse.upenn.edu/students/orientation>

12. Register for classes!
 - Again, you'll need a PennKey (Step 5). Once you've registered, be sure to check for course info, syllabi, and readings on Canvas.
 - How To Register for Classes: <http://www.gse.upenn.edu/node/68>
 - Canvas: <http://www.gse.upenn.edu/canvas>

13. Explore support services at Penn, such as Counseling and Psychological Services and the Weingarten Learning Resources Center. Students with a disability who wish to self-identify with Student Disabilities Services should register at the Student Disabilities Services website for more information and to receive accommodations.
 - Counseling and Psychological Services: <http://www.vpul.upenn.edu/caps/>
 - Weingarten: <http://www.vpul.upenn.edu/lrc/>
 - Register with Student Disabilities Services:
<http://www.vpul.upenn.edu/lrc/sds/index.php>

14. Learn about other campus resources, like the Graduate Student Center (Penn's home base for graduate and professional students) and the Family Resource Center (a hub for resources and activities for students with children).

- Campus Resources: <http://www.gsc.upenn.edu/resources/guide/>

15. Show off your school spirit! Order GSE clothing and collectibles from the Penn GSE store

- GSE Store: <http://www.costore.com/pennngse/welcome.asp>