



# Penn10

Penn looks forward to welcoming you in August during New Student Orientation (NSO) – and we expect you'll have an enjoyable summer! By taking these ten key actions before you arrive, you'll be on top of everything you need to start your Penn experience.

## 1. Health Check

- Review Penn's [coronavirus website](#) for COVID-19 vaccination, testing, and quarantine requirements
- Review health [insurance and immunization](#) records

## 2. PennKey Setup

- Receive Setup Code by email in May
- Select PennKey username and password
- Register security questions so you can quickly reset your PennKey and password
- Test PennKey to ensure it is working properly by visiting <https://pennkeysupport.upenn.edu/> and clicking "Test my Pennkey" under Tools

## 3. Campus Express

- Apply for PennCard
- Set up Penn email
- Review housing assignment
- Choose dining plan
- Register bike, laptop, etc.
- Review book & computer options
- Review banking services
- Review transportation services

## 4. Financial Aid Consultation

- Consult with financial aid advisor
- Complete all necessary forms
- Complete all necessary steps through Student Financial Services
- Give permission to share academic/financial information
- Setup PENN.PAY users and payment accounts for your student bills
- Sign up for direct deposit for your student account refund(s) and payroll
- Review your personal profile
- (Optional) Search for work-study opportunities

## 5. Academic Advising

- The advising process differs among the four undergraduate schools, so look out for information from your specific school about next steps for academic advising for the fall.
- Make sure to complete the tasks required by your school and/or program.

## 6. Advance Registration for Courses

- Prepare for the four-week Advance Registration window using PennInTouch under "Registration & Planning"
- Search for courses
- Create mock schedules
- (Optional) Modify your academic planning worksheet
- When Advanced Registration is open, make sure you click "Register for courses" and input your course selections. Mock schedules are for planning only — you still need to register your preferences during the registration window. Your course selections will be automatically submitted at the end of Advanced Registration.

## 7. Thrive at Penn (TAP) Modules

- Complete TAP Modules through Canvas in August
- Save PDFs and links from the modules to your computer for reference throughout your first year at Penn

## 8. Pre-Orientation Programs

(Optional) Apply for [Pre-Orientation programs](#) when applications go live in early July.

- PENNacle
- PennArts
- PennCORP
- PennGreen
- PennQuest
- Advancing Women in Engineering (AWE)
- Wharton's Successful Transition and Empowerment Program (STEP)
- Hillel's Retreat
- Newman Center Novus

## 9. NSO Website and Class Facebook Page

- Check out the [New Student Orientation website](#)
- Contact NSO staff with any additional questions by email [provost-nso-ai@pobox.upenn.edu](mailto:provost-nso-ai@pobox.upenn.edu) or on Facebook [www.Penn2025.com](http://www.Penn2025.com)

## 10. Penn Reading Project and The Academic Theme Year

- Read the PRP selections and prepare for group discussions with your fellow first-year students and members of the Penn community.
- Engage with group facilitators to develop ideas for active participation in an organization or specific project.