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Dear Member of the Class of 2024: Welcome to the Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania



Dear Member of the Class of 2024:

Welcome to the Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania. We are excited to have you join our community and are looking forward to helping you shape your academic and co-curricular college experience. However, we also want to recognize the impact that current events are having on all of us. We offer our compassion to all who have lost lives and livelihoods to the COVID-19 pandemic and stand in solidarity against racism and the outrageous acts of violence perpetrated against George Floyd, Ahmaud Arbery, and so many others.

We also want to reassure you that you will be joining an inclusive community with students from many different backgrounds, races, ethnicities, and cultures. Together with our students the Wharton Undergraduate Division works to build an equitable and collaborative culture that values and supports diversity and individuality.

In this moment, we also want to make sure you have the tools to begin your educational journey at Wharton. Please review the information and steps below to get you started at Wharton. We look forward to connecting with you in the coming weeks.

Warm regards,

Diana C. Robertson

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Set up your PennKey and Wharton account.

If you haven't already done so, you should [set up your PennKey](#). This ID and password will enable you to access many systems and services at Penn, including the required summer Canvas course. You can then use your PennKey to [create your Wharton account](#), which will give you access to your Wharton email. Both accounts are crucial to navigating university resources and making connections at Wharton and Penn. Visit the [first-year technology page](#) to learn more.

Get started on the Wharton Summer Advising Course in Canvas.

To help you acclimate to Wharton, prepare for course registration, and learn more about the community that awaits you, we have put together a set of brief modules in Canvas, our online course tool. The [first modules are available now](#) (you must create your PennKey and Wharton account to access them).

Familiarize yourself with Undergrad Inside.

Visit [Undergrad Inside](#) for in-depth information to help you prepare for [Advance Registration](#), which will begin on **June 22**. The Canvas modules will help walk you through this information starting **June 15**.

Connect with your advisor and cohort.

On **June 15** you will be assigned to a cohort and an academic advisor, who will lead online group advising sessions to assist you with fall semester course registration and planning. After you are assigned to your cohort, you will also hear from your student cohort leaders who will support you during your transition to Wharton and throughout your first year.

Add events and deadlines to your personal calendar.

Keep track of deadlines and opportunities on the Undergrad Inside [first-year events calendar](#). Make sure to check Penn's University-wide [New Student Orientation \(NSO\) page](#) throughout the summer for updated events and dates.

Review the Penn10 checklist.

Please refer to the [Penn10](#) checklist to review ten key actions you should take over the summer.

Monitor Penn's Messaging in Response to COVID-19.

The University has taken a number of steps in response to the COVID-19 outbreak and regularly posts [important messages to the community](#). Penn has formed a Recovery Planning Group that is examining the elements that would need to be in place to allow a safe return to more normal campus operations, such as testing, contact tracing, isolation of COVID-19 positive individuals, and maximizing capacity for single-bedroom living for students.

While the coronavirus outbreak has disrupted life for all of us, we want to assure you that the health, safety and well-being of the Wharton community continues to be the School's top priority.

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