

FIRST-YEAR HOUSING AND DINING REQUIREMENT

The College Houses are unique residential communities for Penn undergraduates that connect the academic life of the University to the residential experience. They foster smaller, intimate communities that students call home and from which they are supported in pursuing their academic goals and in navigating the complexities of university life. The College Houses provide academic and personal support to residents and promote social interaction, engagement, accountability and leadership within a setting that honors the diverse needs and backgrounds of the Penn community.

The College House experience is a central component of a student's successful transition to and mastery of the rigors of university life at Penn. To support our undergraduates in their academic and personal endeavors, and to engage them with each other and the larger Penn community, we require all first-year, transfer and exchange students¹ to live on campus in a College House and participate in a meal plan during their first year of enrollment.

¹ Students enrolled in the College of Liberal Studies or in the Penn Nursing BSN Second Degree Program, or are married, living with a dependent, or in a University-recognized domestic partnership, are exempt from this policy.