

INFORMATION FOR FIRST-GENERATION, LOW INCOME STUDENTS

Penn offers a generous program of need-based financial aid (<http://www.sfs.upenn.edu/paying>) and a strong commitment to increase access for qualified students from all economic backgrounds (<http://www.sfs.upenn.edu/finaid/penn-finaid-initiative.html>). There are a number of resources to support First Generation Low Income Students.

Penn's First-Generation, Low-Income (FGLI) Program (<http://www.vpul.upenn.edu/gic/FGLIProgram.php>) is housed at the Greenfield Intercultural Center (<http://www.vpul.upenn.edu/gic>) (GIC), part of the Division of the Vice Provost for University Life (<http://www.vpul.upenn.edu>).

This program provides a supportive and inclusive learning environment for scholars from low-income backgrounds who are the first in their families to attend college. The FGLI program also welcomes all students who identify as first-generation for any of the multitude of ways this identity can be defined contextually. The staff address students' academic, personal, and social transition needs while facilitating community-building and a sense of belonging at Penn. In collaboration with departments across campus, the FGLI program provides advising and coaching along with leadership development opportunities and experiences. The FGLI program welcomes all students who can benefit from this highly-personal engagement, and staff members are eager to celebrate these scholars and work with them to build on their talents as they navigate Penn.

The program works in collaboration with Penn First, a student organization that strives to be a community and support network for students who identify as first-generation college students and/or come from low-socioeconomic backgrounds. For more information about Penn First, visit: <http://www.vpul.upenn.edu/gic/pennfirst.php>.

In addition to the FGLI program, Penn offers additional resources and supports that may be helpful for low-income or first-generation students. For more information, visit: <http://www.vpul.upenn.edu/Low-IncomeFirst-GenerationStudents>.