



Life in
Princeton

2012-2013

*Tips and recommendations
from the Students and Spouses
of Princeton Theological Seminary*

Welcome to Princeton!

There is so much joy and excitement when moving to a new place. We also know that a transition like this can be challenging and sometimes scary. It is our hope that this publication will bring some ease to the transition by providing helpful information about living in the Princeton area.

We are glad you and your family have chosen PTS as your home for this next season of your journey. We are eager to welcome you and provide support throughout your time here in Princeton. Blessings and peace throughout this transition.

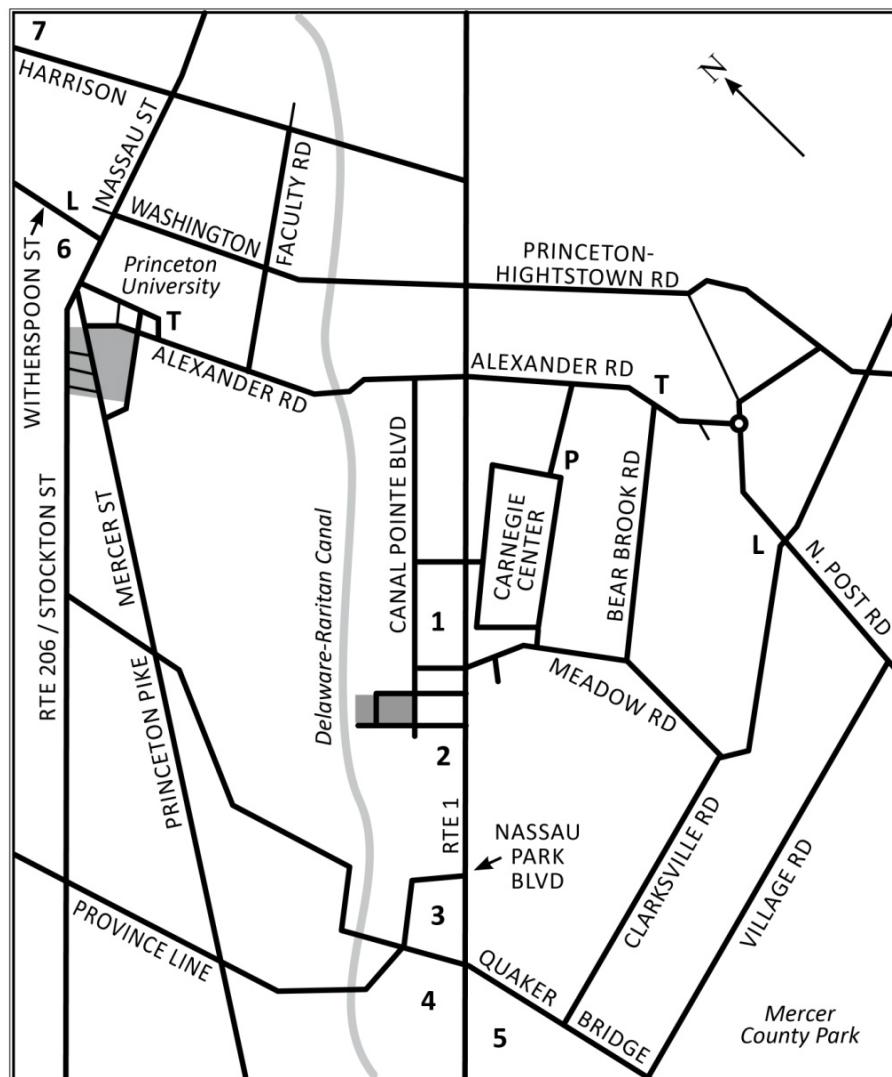
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Seminary Address

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Princeton, NJ 08540

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and are not endorsed by Princeton Theological Seminary.**

For additional resources suggested by the Princeton University Community visit
www.princeton.edu/studentguide/outsidethegates

CAMPUS LIFE

Living in Fellowship

Each year, students from the seminary step forward to serve as DEACONS in our community. These students feel called to a ministry of hospitality and care giving in our midst. There is a deacon (or pair of deacons) for each dormitory floor and each apartment building. In addition to providing hospitality the deacons can also provide a wealth of information about living in the community. If there is something you want to know and you don't find the answers here in this book your deacon would be a good resource. They are also great people to be in contact with if you have an idea of ways to build fellowship in your building or the community at large.

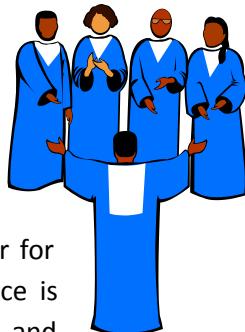
The Student Life Office, Aramark, and student organizations provide many campus-wide FELLOWSHIP OPPORTUNITIES during orientation and throughout the year including a Christmas party in December, Asian Market Night, brown bag lunches with professors and special guests, the Southern Society/BGLASS BBQ in April, and "Prom." Keep your eyes and ears open for posters and announcements about these and other great events throughout the year.

Many STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS will have a table set up during the campus-wide picnic on Saturday at the start of the school year; make sure to check them out! For a current list of groups and contact information, contact the Office of Student Relations in Templeton Hall (carol.belles@ptsem.edu; 609.497.7882).

Seminary students and spouses are invited and encouraged to attend all CONCERTS, SEMINARS, and SPEAKER SERIES on campus. Learn more about these events by visiting calendar.ptsem.edu. Because spouses do not have access to all information in the online calendar, you can sign up to receive periodic e-mails about campus and community events by sending your address to sarah.hong@ptsem.edu. Spouses are also encouraged to join the PTS SPOUSES group on [facebook](http://facebook.com/ptsspouses)!

Worship and Spiritual Formation

All members of the Seminary community are invited to DAILY WORSHIP SERVICES in Miller Chapel (Monday-Friday at 11:30 AM) and special services throughout the year. Daily services are led by students, faculty and administrators. The CHAPEL CHOIR will contribute to music leadership in chapel once each week and all members of the PTS community are invited to participate; vocal placements are held the week of Orientation. For more information contact Director of Music Martin Tel (martin.tel@ptsem.edu). On Tuesday nights at 9:00 PM, students and spouses gather for contemporary worship at THE WELL in the Gambrell Room, Scheide Hall. This service is sponsored by Theological Student Fellowship (TSF). More information about worship and spiritual life at PTS can be found at www.ptsem.edu/student_life/chapel.



Everyone in the Seminary community is likely to CHURCH shop at some time while here in Princeton. There are many to choose from in the area and sometimes it's hard to find the one where you and your family feel called to worship. Ask neighbors for advice on where to start. Students can also view church

statistics through the Field Education site search (view Field Education under the Academics tab at www.ptsem.edu).

There are always many small groups throughout the community that are open to new members. Some are Bible studies and others are book discussion groups or dinner swaps. Keep your eyes and ears open at the start of the school year, and be willing to start your own group by announcing your interest through word of mouth, or by putting up posters in the community!

You are invited to take advantage of individual and group SPIRITUAL DIRECTION and RETREATS. For more information on these opportunities, visit the CHAPEL AND COUNSELING OFFICE in Scheide Hall or call 609.497.7890. Details about spiritual direction and a retreat center guide can be found at www.ptsem.edu/studentcounseling. A LABYRINTH is set up in the Gambrell Room a handful of dates each semester and is a great resource when in need of a peaceful prayer walk (dates will be announced on the chapel and counseling websites).

Counseling and Crisis

ON-CAMPUS COUNSELING is open to spouses and couples. A student may use their 10 subsidized sessions at Trinity Counseling Service (609.924.0060) for individual or marital counseling. Those on the Student Health Benefit Plan (SHBP) have excellent counseling coverage (*see page 33*). To access on-campus counseling or consult with the Director of Student Counseling about options or a referral, fill out intake forms in Scheide Hall. See the Counseling Brochure and SHBP brochure for details. Adjusting to a new community can be tough—a little professional help can go a long way and there is no stigma at PTS for going to talk with someone.

The counseling website (www.ptsem.edu/studentcounseling) will announce events and seminars throughout the year and is a good resource for mental health concerns and self-assessment tools. A LENDING LIBRARY of books and CDs has been developed to support personal growth and relationship health – check out the list of resources online! The lending library also includes a LIGHT BOX STRENGTH DESK LAMP that can be borrowed for two week intervals and can help you cope with symptoms of SAD or winter depression. See Teresa or Nancy in Scheide Hall. To help minimize symptoms of SAD you can also purchase HAPPY BULBS from the Counseling Office.



If facing a PSYCHOLOGICAL CRISIS during business hours, call or visit the Counseling Office in Scheide Hall (609.497.7844), or seek help in the emergency room if there is a medical aspect to the crisis. After hours, call the PTS Psychological Crisis Line (Main Campus and Roberts/Tennent: 609.273.9727; CRW: 609.273.9726) and Security will contact an administrator on the Seminary's Psychological Response Team. If you cannot get through, dial 609.497.7777, tell dispatch "this is a code red" and give your name, location and phone number. ***Additional Emergency Numbers on page 40***

Housing, Facilities, Security, O My!

For housing information and assistance, call THE OFFICE OF HOUSING AND AUXILIARY SERVICES (2nd Floor, Templeton Hall; 609.497.7730). Be courteous, patient, and persistent, if necessary. If you encounter problems with internet or cable television within your apartment, visit the EDUCATIONAL MEDIA AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY website for FAQ (technology.ptsem.edu).

If you notice any leaks in your apartment/dorm or you have issues with bugs or your heater isn't working, call FACILITIES (609.497.7778). They usually respond promptly. Also, they appreciate being told about issues right away so they can fix any problem before it escalates. If you have a plumbing, heating or electrical emergency over the weekend, call SECURITY (609.497.7777).

Apartment Living

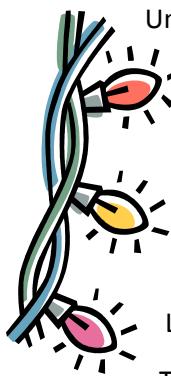
This document was also originally designed for distribution among spouses in the community and has grown to include information for students as well. If you have tips for dorm living that you'd like to have included in next year's edition, please contact sarah.hong@ptsem.edu.

If you happen to be LOCKED OUT of your apartment, don't panic. Call Security and they will come meet you at your apartment to let you in! Though we do live in a safe environment, with Security patrolling the parking lots, we are not exempt from theft. Make sure to lock your car door while it's sitting in the parking lot.

If you will be away for an entire summer, consider SUBLetting your apartment to another student or family. If interested in subletting or renting an apartment on campus for the summer, contact the Housing Office.

The CRW apartments are notorious for their COMMUNITY BBQS, especially during the summer months. If you see someone starting up a grill, head on out with your own meats or veggies and a side dish to share, and you will almost always be welcomed at the table with open arms.

HOLIDAYS



Unfortunately our lease agreements state that strings of lights are not allowed on the porches, however, if you would like to put lights on your porch during the CHRISTMAS season you can purchase solar-powered lights from Target and from online retailers. They aren't super bright and certainly don't last all night but many say it's better than no Christmas lights at all!

And consider taking a drive to see Christmas light displays in the community! (Shadybrook Farms: www.shadybrookfarm.com; Cranbury, NJ: www.cranburychristmaslights.com; Longwood Gardens, PA: www.longwoodgardens.org)

The CRW community usually organizes an annual EASTER egg hunt. All young children are invited to participate.

GUESTS

If you plan to have company and they need a place to stay, ask friends and neighbors who you know will be away if your guests can apartment sit for them; it ensures that their apartment will be watched and it saves your family and friends some money. In addition to house-sitting and affordable AREA HOTELS (i.e. Clarion Palmer Inn: www.clarionhotel.com; Hyatt Place: princeton.place.hyatt.com; Residence Inn Princeton: www.marriott.com) guests can also reserve rooms on campus at the ERDMAN CENTER (609.688.7990), but space is limited, so don't wait until the last minute.

Living on a Dime

Finances may be tight for many of us in the community living on a student budget. Here are some popular tips for saving a few pennies in Princeton...

- Take advantage of the [free Museum passes](#) offered by the local libraries.
- Participate in book swaps at the libraries or the [annual book sale](#) at PTS.
- Browse the community bulletin boards in [Labyrinth Books](#), [Twist Yogurt](#), [Whole Foods](#), the [public libraries](#) and other venues.
- Use the bulletin boards within apartments and dorms to share your services such as photography, graphic design, Mary Kay cosmetics, babysitting, tutoring, etc. And help support one another in the community by using each other's services!
- Join the Princeton group at [FREECYCLE.org](#) (groups.yahoo.com/group/Freecycle_Princeton) to give away unwanted items lying around the house, and to pick up essentials like bikes, couches, bookshelves and more. And don't forget about [Craigslist.org](#)!
- Check out PRINCETON UNIVERSITY WAREHOUSE (surplus.princeton.edu/nonpu_list_item.php; 609.258.2347) on Alexander Road between Route 1 and the Princeton Junction Train Station. A great place to find cheap desks, bookshelves and other old stuff the University is getting rid of, even computers. It's Open to the public on Wednesdays 10:00 AM - 2:30 PM. View the listings online.
- Take advantage of good, inexpensive produce at the local [farmers' markets](#).
- Don't be ashamed to visit a [food pantry](#), including the one at the CN Center in CRW.
- Peruse the coupon packets that come in the mail; you can ignore the ads for home maintenance services, but these packets are a good way to pick up a deal on [restaurants](#), [oil changes](#) and [car washes](#).
- Use energy efficient lights in your apartment. Usually at the beginning of every school year ECOS (Environmentally Conscious Organization of Seminarians) sponsors a light-bulb swap and you can exchange traditional bulbs for energy-efficient.
- [Ride the shuttle](#) between campus and CRW, or ride a bike.

- Save money on parking when going downtown by parking on campus and walking.
- Consider [NJ Family Care](#) for children's health insurance.
- During tax season, contact the Financial Aid Office to schedule an appointment with a CPA and get help completing your tax return. Or take advantage of the Mercer County VITA grants and schedule free tax preparation at the local libraries (www.earnedincometaxcredit.org).
- Check out the local discount retailers and dollar stores: HomeGoods and FiveBelow on Nassau Park Boulevard; TJMaxx and Ross in the Mercer Mall; Marshalls in the Windsor Green Shopping Center.
- Visit the outlet malls in Jackson, NJ only 30-40 minutes east of Princeton.
- Shop at local [thrift stores](#) and rummage sales.

*For other money-saving advice look for '**FREE**' and '**TIP**' scattered throughout this publication.*

Once each semester, the CRW community holds a PTS-wide CLOTHING EXCHANGE at the CN center. You can donate any clothing that is still in good condition, and you are invited to bring home something "new" for yourself (even if you didn't donate!).



In the Spring, you are invited to drop off used books at the Whiteley Gymnasium. The books are collected, sorted and sold at the Seminary's annual BOOK SALE). Proceeds from this sale fund seminary libraries around the world.

CRW and ROBERTS/TENNANT YARD SALES occur one weekend at the end of academic year. You may set out tables in your yard for the community at large to come shopping! It's a great time to get rid of un-needed items, especially if you're getting ready to move and want a lighter load, and a great opportunity to pick up furniture, books and accessories if you're still trying to furnish your dorm or apartment.

Every fall and spring the Lawrence Elementary PTO hosts a gigantic children's CONSIGNMENT SALE with tons of clothes, toys, baby stuff and some maternity items. Keep eyes and ears open regarding this sale and others throughout the year. There is also an annual rummage sale at TRINITY CHURCH across from the Seminary, usually in April.

TIP: *DUMPSTER-DIVING at the end of the year, both at the Seminary and University, can also prove to be rewarding, but please be careful!*

Shopping and the Basics

* indicates a business known to have previously hired PTS students/spouses

Bold indicates a business that is reviewed in this publication

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Shopping Centers

1. MARKET FAIR (www.marketfairmall.com) – walking distance from CRW

Stores/Services: Anthropologie, Banana Republic, Barnes and Noble, Eastern Mountain Sports, Gap, GNC, Jos A. Bank, LensCrafters, Pottery Barn, Victoria's Secret, Williams Sonoma, **UA Movie Theatre** and others.

Restaurants: **Big Fish Seafood**, *Starbucks, Bobby's Burger Palace (Summer 2012), TGIFriday's and others.

In the parking lot: Macaroni Grill, On the Border, P.F. Chang's.

For kids: Song and Story Time at PotteryBarn Kids and Barnes and Noble. Check out their websites!

2. WINDSOR GREEN – walking distance from CRW

Stores/Services: AAA, ***The Framesmith Gallery**, Hair Cuttery, Marshall's, *Staples, ***Whole Foods Market**, **Windsor Green Dry Cleaners** and others.

Restaurants: Dunkin' Donuts, Quizno's, **Tiger Noodles**, Wendy's, Whole Foods.

3. NASSAU PARK BLVD – exit off Route 1 South

There is a pavilion and pond between Panera Bread and Target if you're looking for a place to eat your takeout. This pavilion occasionally hosts concerts during the summer months.

Stores/Services: Babies 'R Us, Buy Buy Baby, Famous Footwear, FedEx/Kinko's, Five Below, **Great Clips**, Home Depot, HomeGoods, Kohls, Michaels, Target, **Sam's Club**, ULTA, Wal-mart, **Wegmans** and others.

Restaurants: Chuck E. Cheese, **Magma Pizza**, McDonald's (in Wal-mart), Panera Bread, **Penang**, **Rita's Water Ice**, Super Star East Buffet.

4. MERCER MALL – Route 1 South, across from Quaker Bridge Mall

Stores/Services: Bed Bath & Beyond, DSW, Hallmark, JoAnn's Fabric & Crafts, **MovieStop**, Music and Arts, Office Depot, Petco, Ross, **Shop Rite**, TJ Maxx and others.

Restaurants: **Cheeburger Cheeburger**, Coldstone, **Harini's**, Heavenly Ham, Houlihan's, Olive Garden, Woody's BBQ, and others.

5. QUAKER BRIDGE MALL (www.quakerbridgemall.com) – exit off Route 1 at Quaker Bridge Rd

Stores/Services: American Eagle, American Greetings, Bath & Body Works, Build-A-Bear, Children's Place, Express, Foot Locker, GameStop, JCPenney, Lord and Taylor, Macy's, New York & Co., Old Navy, Payless, Pearle Vision, Radio Shack, Sears, Spencer Gifts and others.

Restaurants: Cheesecake Factory (Fall 2012), Chick-Fil-A, **Lawrence Grill**, Master Wok and others.

In the parking lot: Applebee's, Einstein Bros. Bagels.

6. DOWNTOWN PRINCETON, including Palmer Square (www.palmersquare.com)

There is a small park in the center of Palmer Square and table/chairs in a pavilion outside the library, both serve as great locations for outdoor dining.

Stores/Services: Army and Navy Co., **Corkscrew Wine Shop, Jazams, Kitchen Kapers, *Labyrinth Books, *Paper-Source, The Papery, Princeton Record Exchange**, Talbots and others.

Restaurants: **Bent Spoon, Halo Pub, Hoagie Haven, Olives, Panera Bread, PJ's Pancake House, Princeton Sports Bar and Grill, Qdoba, *Small World Coffee, Subway, Tandoori Bite, Taste of Mexico, Thai Village, Thomas Sweet, *Twist Yogurt, Winberries, Witherspoon Bread Co.** and others.

TIP: Many restaurants and stores downtown offer student discounts, including Banana Republic in Palmer Square; have your ID accessible and don't be afraid to ask!

7. PRINCETON SHOPPING CENTER (www.princetonshoppingcenter.com) - on North Harrison Street

There is a large open space and garden in the center of the shopping center that hosts musical events every week during the summer.

Stores/Services: Ace Hardware, Blue Ridge Mountain Sports, Cutter's Mill Pet Store, **Learning Express, McCaffrey's, Princeton Laundromat, Rite Aid, Ten Thousand Villages, The UPS Store** and others.

Restaurants: Bon Appétit Market, Camillo's Cafe, **Main Street Bistro and Bar, Pizza Star, Quizno's, Shanghai Park, Taste of Mexico** and others.



Fabulous Local Stores

BOOKS AND MUSIC

***COKESBURY** (PTS Bookstore; 609.497.7735) located on the ground floor of Mackay. Exceptional service and amazing discounts throughout the year on Christian books, gifts and supplies. And they do try to compete with Amazon prices for textbooks! They will also buy back used books at the end of the semester.

***LABYRINTH BOOKS** (www.labyrinthbooks.com; 609.497.1600) on Nassau Street; sidewalk out front is usually lined with sale tables. Large collection of academic and special interest books, as well as fiction and children's literature. Membership is **FREE** for students, and includes a 10-15% discount year-round.

PRINCETON RECORD EXCHANGE (www.prex.com; 609.921.0881) located on Tulane Street, off Nassau. Huge selection of new and used vinyl, CDS, DVDs. Great place to sell your old collections or pick up a hidden treasure.

WILSON HOUSE (www.christian-union.org; 609.681.4010) on Nassau Street. Christian bookstore, café and meeting house between Hoagie Haven and Ivy Garden on Nassau St. Owned and operated by the Christian Union at Princeton University.

STATIONERY AND GIFTS

THE PAPERY (www.thepapery.com; 609.279.0101) - high end, classy paper and invitations

JOY CARDS (www.joycards.com; 609.430.0333) - fun and funky 2-D and 3-D custom design

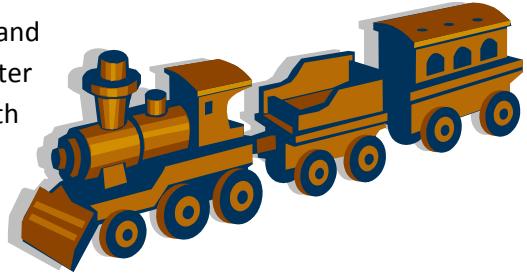
*THE PAPER SOURCE (www.paper-source.com; 609.921.0932) - bright paper, unique gifts, craft supplies

All three are located in downtown Princeton; fabulous places to get cards, invitations and specialty papers.

JORDAN'S CARDS (www.jordanscardstore.com; 609.924.6161) in the Princeton Shopping Center is a family owned card shop comparable to a Hallmark store.

TOYS

JAZAMS in Palmer Square (www.jazams.com; 609.924.8697) and LEARNING EXPRESS in the Princeton Shopping Center (www.princeton.learningexpress-toys.com; 609.921.9110) both offer a large variety of classic and educational children's games and toys, beyond your typical toys like Barbies and Transformers.



OTHER

*THE FRAMESMITH GALLERY (609.452.8488) in Windsor Green. Great customer service and quality. Offers custom-framing of photos and artwork. The store also has a gallery of art for sale.

GREEN DESIGN (www.greendesigncorp.com; 609.651.4643) on Witherspoon Street. Local store offering assorted environmentally-friendly/organic items including clothing, toys, notebooks, furniture, kitchen products, and more.

HINKSON'S OFFICE SUPPLY (www.hinksons.com; 609.924.0112) on Spring Street in downtown Princeton. Personalized service and a good place for basic office supplies if you don't like shopping at chain stores.

KITCHEN KAPERS (www.kitchenkapers.com; 609.924.9190) in Palmer Square. Great place to find practical and unique kitchen gadgets.

*TEN THOUSAND VILLAGES (www.tenthousandvillages.com; 609.683.4464) in the Princeton Shopping Center. An excellent place to find fair trade gifts or browse for "retail therapy" all year round. **TIP:** They offer **FREE** coffee and chocolate samples! Look for the big tent sale in August and other special events throughout the year to get great discounts while still supporting artisans from around the world.

Thrift Stores and Consignment

MILK MONEY (www.milkmoneylove.com; 609.921.1665) on Tulane St. in downtown Princeton. Consignment store for kids, and occasionally some pretty nice stuff for moms, too.

NEARLY NEW (609.924.5720) In downtown Princeton, off Nassau Street; turn left into the parking lot behind Redding's Plumbing (next to Hoagie Haven). Great selection of name brand clothing and other treasures. Profits from the store help to provide scholarships for Princeton Day School students.

GREENE STREET CONSIGNMENT (www.greenestreetconsignment.com; 609.924.1997) on Nassau Street. A high-end, designer label consignment shop offering seasonal men's and women's apparel. Prices are reasonable for the kind of products offered. You can go shopping at any time or start a consignment by bringing in at least 10 items that fit the descriptions on their website.

RED, WHITE and BLUE THRIFT (www.redwhiteandbluethriftstore.com; 609.586.1608) on Nottingham Way in Hamilton. Clean, organized thrift store, with a large selection of merchandise including great kids stuff.

GOODWILL (www.goodwillnj.org; 609.392.2865) on Olden Street in Ewing/Trenton.

TRENTON RESCUE MISSION (www.rescuemissionoftrenton.org; 609.815.3980) on Carroll Street in Trenton. The Rescue Mission houses a store that offers very cheap clothing and furniture, both new and used, donated by members of the community. The Rescue Mission gratefully accepts donations of quality adult and children's clothing, furniture, working appliances, outdoor furniture, and even automobiles; you can contact them online to schedule a pick-up, or drop-off your donation at any time.

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY RESTORE (www.habitatbcnj.org/ReStore/restorepage; 856.303.8080) in Cinnaminson, just north of Cherry Hill, NJ. It is a bit of a drive down I-295, but it is a great place to shop for used furniture and other home goods.

Grocery Stores

Ask any Seminarian or Spouse and they'll tell you their favorite grocery store. The answer will most frequently be Wegmans or Shop Rite, where you're almost guaranteed to see a familiar face walking down the aisles. Both stores have an impressive variety of products and comparable prices. If you prefer shopping for natural and organic products, try Whole Foods or Trader Joe's both just around the corner from CRW or shop some of the family-owned natural food stores downtown.



TIPS: *If you are earth-conscious and want to save a few pennies, most stores sell reusable shopping bags and offer incentives to use them. Also, keep in mind that most NJ grocery stores and gas stations do not have licenses to sell liquor; Wegmans and Trader Joes are exceptions. Other local liquor stores include Princeton Corkscrew in Palmer Square and Joe Canal's in the Mercer Mall.*

*SHOP RITE (www.shoprite.com; 609.275.8042) in Mercer Mall. Large Kosher department and ethnic food aisle. Childcare available.

*WEGMANS (www.wegmans.com; 609.919.9300) on Nassau Park Blvd. Prepared fresh foods section. Large organic section. Wine/Liquor Store. Childcare available. **TIP:** *Buying the Wegmans store brand is pretty cheap, and almost always excellent.*

ALDI (www.aldifoods.com) on North Olden Road in Trenton. Inexpensive groceries and a variety of bulk items. Does not carry national brand products. You cannot pay with credit card or check, so bring cash or a debit card, and quarters if you want a cart. Aldi provides grocery bags, but at a small price, so to save money and help the earth, bring your own bags.

McCAFFREY'S (www.mccaffreys.com; 609.683.1600) in the Princeton Shopping Center, a 15 minute drive from CRW. A bit pricier than Wegmans, but offers quality groceries and a delivery service.

SAM'S CLUB (www.samsclub.com; 609.452.5959) on Nassau Park Blvd near Wal-mart. Bulk shopping and inexpensive prices! **TIP:** *Sign up for a Collegiate Membership receive a \$15 gift card. Or, if your neighbor has a membership, ask to go shopping with them sometime or share a membership!*

NATURAL/ORGANIC

*WHOLE FOODS (www.wholefoodsmarket.com; 609.799.2919) in Windsor Green Shopping Center. Large selection of fresh cut flowers and local organic produce. Great make-your-own trail mix option in the bulk foods section. Tasty lunch and dinner buffets, but you pay by the pound and it can add up! **TIP:** *There is a small, fantastic and relatively inexpensive Gelato bar in their café and some pretty tasty pizza. Their Kid's Club offers free events a couple afternoons each month, usually with a themed craft.*

*TRADER JOE'S (www.traderjoes.com; 609.897.0581) on Route 1 across from Windsor Green. Generally less expensive than Whole Foods, but the selection isn't always as expansive. Fresh produce offerings are limited. Does have a wine/liquor license.

WHOLE EARTH CENTER (www.wholeearthcenter.com; 609.924.7429) on Nassau Street just north of Harrison. Small, family-owned homegrown natural foods store. It can be pricey, but it has a good bulk foods section including staples like honey, peanut butter and coffee and a decent selection of organic and local produce. Also houses a gourmet vegetarian deli and whole-grain bakery, and sells eco-friendly household and beauty products. Whole Earth also serves as a pick-up location for the [Honey Brook Organic CSA](#) during the summer months.

SPECIALTY STORES

HALO FARM (www.halofarm.com; 609.695.3311) on Spruce Street in Trenton. New Jersey's largest micro-dairy; on weekdays watch the milk being bottled on site! Great deals on milk, juice, cheese, bread, eggs and yummy ice cream.

TERRA MOMO BREAD COMPANY (www.terraramomo.com; 609.688.0188) formerly Witherspoon Bread Company, on Witherspoon Street across from the Princeton Library. Delicious handmade breads baked on location. Also serves paninis and desserts.



PENNSYLVANIA DUTCH MARKET (www.padutchfarmersmarket.com) in Kingston, just north of Princeton on Rte 27 (Nassau St). Great prices on meats, cheeses and jams; and the pretzels are fabulous! There is also an Amish furniture store adjoining the market. **TIP:** *Coupons are available online for a variety of their vendors.*

D'ANGELO ITALIAN MARKET (www.dangelomarket.com; 609.921.0404) on Spring Street in downtown Princeton. Small market with basic grocery items, lots of authentic Italian food products, an Italian bakery, a full service butcher, and delicious meals for dine-in or carry-out.

ASIAN FOOD MARKET (www.asianfoodmarkets.com; 609.799.1828) on Plainsboro Road, just 10-15 minutes east of Princeton. Large selection of products shipped directly from Asia, including well-priced produce.

Chinese: GREAT WALL SUPERMARKET (732.940.0685) in Franklin Park, NJ - 20 minutes north of PTS.

Korean: H MART (www.hmart.com) with locations in Edison, NJ and Levittown, PA both about 30 minutes from Princeton. Can also order online.

Japanese: MITSUWA (www.mitsuwa.com; 201.941.9113) in Edgewater, NJ an hour north of Princeton.

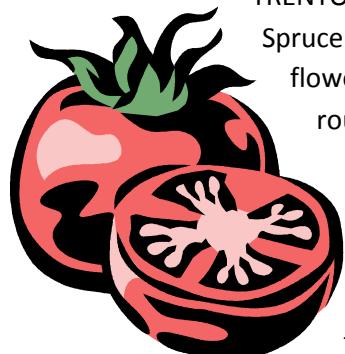
THE CORKSCREW WINE SHOP (www.princetoncorkscrew.com; 609.430.1200) in Palmer Square. Sells hand-crafted, family-owned wines. Shop online or in their temperature-controlled store.

JOE CANAL'S (www.joecanals.com; 609.520.0008) in Mercer Mall. Discount beer, wine and liquor.

Gardens, Farms and Farmer's Markets

If you live in an apartment building with flower boxes, you are welcome to plant flowers, but you cannot use these boxes for vegetables. There is a COMMUNITY GARDEN near the athletic field at the intersection of Canal Pointe and Farber Road. If you are interested in maintaining a plot in this garden in 2013, contact PTS student Ali VanKuiken (ali.vankuiken@gmail.com).

PRINCETON FARMER'S MARKET (www.princetonfarmersmarket.com) set up in Hinds Square Pavilion by the Princeton Library every Thursday, 11AM to 4PM, June through November.



TRENTON FARMER'S MARKET (www.thetrentonfarmersmarket.com; 609.695.2998) on Spruce Street, sharing a parking lot with Halo Farm. Fresh local produce, herbs, and flowers. Also a Polish deli with quality sandwich meat, cheese and bread. Open all year round; days and times vary depending on the season.

W. W. FARMER'S MARKET (www.westwindsorfarmersmarket.org; 609.577.5113) on Vaughn Drive, in the north parking lot of Princeton Jct. train station. Open Saturdays, May 1 through October 31, from 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM. Indoor farmer's markets and other events at various locations year-round; see website for details.

TERHUNE ORCHARDS (www.terhuneorchards.com; 609.924.2310) on Cold Soil Road, 10-15 minutes from campus. Enjoy picking your own fresh fruit or vegetables or shop for fresh produce and baked goods in their store on site. The apple cider slushie and cider donuts are delicious! Fun activities for the entire family throughout the year, including feeding and petting animals.

Many families/couples/friends split a farm share. Local farms in the area have seasonal rates to join. You can also pick up fresh produce or have it delivered.

CHERRY GROVE ORGANIC - Lawrenceville (www.cherrygrovefarm.com)

HONEY BROOK ORGANIC – Pennington (www.honeybrookorganicfarm.com)

Find info on more farms at www.localharvest.org

Food Pantries (to serve and be served)

Inside the CN CENTER at the end of Emmons Drive (same complex as the child care center) is a metal cabinet near the soda/snack machines. You are encouraged to take from the canned/boxed goods here whenever you are in need, and to contribute to the supply when you have food to spare.

THE CRISIS MINISTRY (www.thecrisisministry.org) maintains a food pantry located in the basement of Nassau Presbyterian Church on Nassau Street. To shop for your household you need to provide a current proof of address and IDs for all members of your household on each visit. For more details, hours or volunteer opportunities call the Crisis Ministry of Princeton at 609.921.2135 or Trenton at 609.396.9355.

TASK, Trenton Area Soup Kitchen (www.trentonsoupkitchen.org) on Escher Street in Trenton. In addition to serving mid-day and dinner meals Monday through Friday, TASK also offers tutoring, art programs, and legal and medical services. Anyone is welcome for meals and events, no questions asked. Volunteers assist with serving meals and other activities; go online for current contact persons and e-mail addresses.

Hair Care

There are some fabulous salons in downtown Princeton and in the surrounding area, including...

ULTA SALON (www.ulta.com; 609.452.1266) on Nassau Park Blvd.

*COSMO BLEU (www.cosmobleu.com; 609.497.2538) on Nassau Street.

JCPENNEY SALON (609.799.8100) in Quaker Bridge Mall.

But if you are looking for an inexpensive hair cut without an appointment, try one of these locations...

GREAT CLIPS (www.greatclips.com; 609.924.1118) off Nassau Park Blvd by Sam's Club.

HAIR CUTTERY (www.haircuttery.com; 609.452.9710) in Windsor Green near Whole Foods.

EMPIRE SALON (1.800.210.1871) in Bordentown just outside Trenton. Low-priced hair and salon services provided by senior level students at Empire Beauty School.

Laundry and Tailoring

Basements of each dormitory and apartment are equipped with community washers and dryers for your use, \$2 per load (\$1 for wash, \$1 for dry). Please be courteous and try to remove your clothing promptly so others can use the machines.



There are also coin machines in Hodge Hall, Stuart Hall, and Roberts Hall. If you notice that it is out of quarters, call the Housing Office so that it can be refilled as soon as possible. THE PRINCETON LAUNDROMAT has extra large washers that are great for blankets/bedding/slipcovers. Located in the Princeton Shopping Center on Harrison Street with convenient hours, open 5:30 AM until midnight.

Local dry cleaners include WINDSOR GREEN DRY CLEANERS conveniently located by Whole Foods, and COMMONCENTS CLEANERS with locations in Ewing (609.403.7959) and Hamilton (609.581.9119). CommonCents has next-day service for only \$1.99 per garment, \$0.99 for men's shirts; pay in cash upon drop off. Their tailoring service, however, has not been recommended.

Two local seamstresses come highly recommend for tailoring and alterations. Check out MARIA'S ALTERATIONS (609.883.2072) on Scotch Road in Ewing or MARIA'S TAILOR SHOP (609.252.0019) on Nassau Street in downtown Princeton.

Child Care

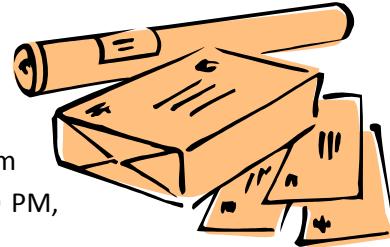
Child care is available to Seminary families at the DUPREE CENTER FOR CHILDREN (609.951.9866) at the end of Emmons Drive; call for prices and openings. In addition to childcare facilities, many Seminary parents are happy to watch children during the day. Look for advertisements on the bulletin boards in your building, or announce your need/services on the PTS Spouse [facebook](#) page. Consider participating in a babysitting/childcare swap with neighbors in the community. Play dates are always a nice way to get out and about, especially if you're able to return the favor and give another parent the chance to get away for a few hours.

Run errands without strollers, diaper bags or children under 5! Take advantage of the MOM'S DAY OUT program at Princeton Alliance Church. Childcare available weekdays, 9 AM to 5 PM. Mom's Day Out cares for children from three months of age to 5 years of age. The Mom's Day Out childcare room is located in the Promised Land. Childcare is \$6/hour for one child and \$3/hour for each additional child. Advanced reservations for childcare can be made by calling Geetha at 609.799.9000 x22.

MOPS (Mothers of Pre-schoolers) meets 9:30 - 11:30 AM, the 2nd and 4th Monday of each month during the school year. Take a break and connect with other moms for a time of food, fellowship and crafts. The closest chapter meets at Princeton Alliance Church (www.princetonalliance.org) off Scudders Mill Road. No cost for mothers, child care is \$5 per child. For more about MOPS and for other local chapters, visit www.mops.org.

Mailing, Shipping and Copying

POST OFFICES are located in Carnegie Center and Palmer Square, though the Carnegie Center location does not open until 10:00 AM. You can also conveniently mail packages and drop off outgoing mail while on main campus by stopping at the MAIL ROOM (609.497.7713) across from the Mackay Campus Center during normal office hours (8:30 AM - 4:30 PM, occasionally closed for lunch, 12:30 - 1:30 PM).



If you ever have problems with your mail delivery at the apartments or the lock on your mailbox breaks, contact USPS directly (West Windsor - 609.452.9044; Princeton - 609.921.9563).

The nearest FEDEX/KINKOS is off Nassau Park Blvd near Home Depot and Wal-mart. FEDEX packages can also be shipped from Hinkson's Office Store on Spring Street in downtown Princeton.

The nearest UPS STORES are in Palmer Square on Witherspoon Street and on Princeton-Hightstown Road in West Windsor. There is also a UPS Store in the Princeton Shopping Center. There is a UPS SHIP CENTER in Staples, walking distance from CRW; basic overnight packaging is provided by UPS free of charge and other supplies can be purchased from the store.

Full-service and self-serve COPY SERVICES are available at Staples and Office Depot. PRINCETON PRINTER (formerly Triangle Printing) on Nassau Street and HINKSON'S OFFICE STORE also offer full-service copying and printing. If you are printing posters for a student organization on campus, you can use the design services provided by the Office of Communication and Publications (submit poster requests online) and receive 30 color posters. Black and white copies for student organizations can be printed on campus using any of the computer labs or by using the DUPLICATING SERVICES provided through the mail room.

Target on Nassau Park Blvd has a good 1-hour PHOTO SERVICE, and they work with Snapfish and Kodak online galleries, so you can place orders from home. Wal-mart also has a 1-hour photo service. PASSPORT PHOTO services are not available at any of the above printing or photo locations but you can apply for a passport and get your photo taken at the Carnegie Center and Palmer Square post offices.

DINING

Though the food provided by Aramark is a lot better than some campus cafeterias you sometimes just need a break from Mackay. There are kitchens located in both Brown Hall and Alexander Hall, have a dinner party with friends! If you don't want to take the effort to make something or you live in the apartments and just need to get away from your kitchen, check out some of these smaller chain restaurants and one-of-a-kind dining experiences that dot the Princeton area. Though this list is long, these are just a few that have been recommended... Bon appétit!

Local Restaurants

TIP: Do not order for pick-up during rush hour at a restaurant on or near Route 1 unless you give yourself plenty of travel time; traffic congestion may result in cold food.

AMERICAN/GRILL

CHEEBURGER CHEEBURGER (www.cheeburger.com; 609.799.2222) on Route One South near Mercer Mall, and also on Route 130 in Hamilton. Great 50s diner with handmade burger patties in various sizes, including the one-pounder - eat it all and get your photo on the wall! Pick as many toppings as you'd like, free of charge. Mix and match flavors to make delicious milk shakes and old-fashioned sodas. **TIP:** Dinner and A Movie specials in conjunction with UA theatres in MarketFair and AMC Hamilton; great idea for a date, especially with the price of movie tickets these days! Special is not valid on new releases.

LAWRENCE GRILL (609.716.7733) near the JCPenney entrance in Quaker Bridge Mall, serving burgers, pasta, seafood and more. Poker nights, happy hour and live music. Big screens for watching the game - stays open until it's over. Party room available.

WINBERRIES (www.selectrestaurants.com/win; 609.497.1527) in Palmer Square. Serves upscale pub and grill food with a nice atmosphere and decent prices. Delicious Sunday brunch. Late night happy hour Monday through Thursday, 11:00 PM to close.

ASIAN/SUSHI/THAI

TIGER NOODLES (www.yayanoodles.com) in Windsor Green (609.799.1469) and on Nassau (609.252.0663). Authentic Chinese cuisine at affordable prices; dine in or opt for fast and accurate take-out.

THAI VILLAGE (609.683.3896) on Nassau Street between Harrison and Washington. Good, authentic Thai cuisine at affordable prices.

ZEN MODERN ASIAN (609.683.8323) on Witherspoon Street across from the Princeton Library. Has a good selection of delicious and affordable Japanese fusion cuisine and a peaceful atmosphere. Not the place to go if you're looking for a traditional sushi bar.

PENANG (www.penangprinceton.com; 609.897.9088) on Nassau Park Blvd near Sam's Club. Authentic Malaysian and Thai cuisine, a bit pricier than Thai Village but higher end food and more upscale décor, worth the money.

MAKKOLI SEAFOOD BUFFET (www.makkoliseafoodbuffetnj.com; 732.967.8900) in East Brunswick, NJ, a half hour northeast of Princeton. An upscale but affordable all-you-can-eat sushi & seafood buffet.

SUSHI PALACE (www.sushipalace.net; 609.924.2882) in the Kingston Mall on Route 27 (Nassau Street), just north of Princeton. Serves fresh sushi and other Japanese cuisine; order off the menu or opt for the buffet.

DINERS/BREAKFAST/CAFES

PJ'S PANCAKE HOUSE (www.pancakes.com; 609.924.1353) on Nassau Street. Famous for - you guessed it - pancakes. Multiple varieties, served all day, along with other breakfast dishes, hot/cold sandwiches, and burgers. Be aware that hash browns are served with red peppers and onion, though the menu does not note this! Open at 7:00 AM and stays open late. **FREE** coffee refills.



PRINCETONIAN DINER (www.princetoniandiner.com; 609.452.2272) On Route One South, walking distance from CRW between Farber and Emmons. Large selection of food: breakfast, lunch and dinner. Greek, Mexican, Italian, American, European. Opens early and closes late. Great place for coffee and desserts. All cooking done on site.

FEDORA CAFÉ (www.fedoracafe.webs.com; 609.895.0844) in Lawrenceville. A small eclectic restaurant; good place to get lunch, dinner, coffee, or dessert.

EUROPEAN/FRENCH/GREEK

MAIN STREET BISTRO AND BAR (www.mainstreetprinceton.com; 609.921.2779) in the Princeton Shopping Center. Small family-owned restaurant with a rotating menu featuring great seasonal dishes. Delicious desserts and pastries baked on site. Large selection of global wines and microbrews on tap. Outdoor dining available 7 days a week during the summer months. Also a bakery and café in Kingston.

THE FERRY HOUSE (www.theferryhouse.com; 609.924.2488) on Witherspoon Street in downtown Princeton. Serves innovative French-American cuisine. A bit pricey, but a good date night location. Serves dinner 7 days a week and serves lunch fare Monday through Friday.

OLIVES (609.921.1569) on Witherspoon Street. Serves delicious Greek cuisine made from scratch daily with fresh ingredients. Fabulous sandwich and salad bar. Also serves specialty items imported directly from Greece. Limited dining space available, take-out recommended. It is within walking distance of the pavilion outside Princeton Library which offers plenty of tables and chairs.

INDIAN

HARINI INDIAN CUISINE (www.harinirestaurant.com; 609.750.0488) in Mercer Mall, next to Olive Garden. Specializes in North and South Indian cuisine with a lunch buffet and full dinner menu.

MEHEK (www.mehekprinceton.com; 609.279.9191) on Nassau Street just north of Washington. Yummy Indian cuisine with a good lunch buffet. Slightly pricier than Tandoori Bite but worth the money. High tea is served on Sunday afternoons. Can also order online for delivery or take-out. **TIP:** *Coupons available on their website (usually 10% off).*

TANDOORI BITE (www.tandooribitenj.com; 609.279.9701) on Witherspoon Street. Large menu with reasonable prices. All you can eat lunch buffet 7 days a week. Order online for take-out or delivery. **TIP:** *Seminary and University students receive a 10% discount!*

ITALIAN/PIZZA

CONTE'S PIZZA (www.contespizzaandbar.com; 609.921.8041) On Witherspoon Street just past the old hospital. Tasty pizza and they don't skimp on the toppings. This fun local joint tends to be crowded, so prepare to wait, especially on Friday and Saturday nights. The main parking lot and entrance is in the rear of the building!

D'ANGELO ITALIAN MARKET on Spring Street in downtown Princeton. See page 13.

BROTHER'S PIZZA (609.275.5575) on Alexander Rd in Princeton Jct., to the left at the traffic circle. Delicious pizzas with affordable prices. Also serves other Italian cuisine and hot/cold sandwiches (including party platters). Delivery available. **TIP:** *Look for coupons in the mail.*



MAGMA PIZZA (www.magma-pizza.com; 609.452.8383) on Nassau Park Blvd by Home Depot and Sam's Club. Pizzas cooked fresh and fast in a volcano-shaped stone oven. Pizza parties available: kids receive hat and apron and bake their own pizzas. **TIP:** *Coupons available on their website.*

CANDELA (www.candelapizza.com; 609.799.8800) on Quaker Bridge Road in Lawrenceville a few blocks southeast of the mall. Gourmet Italian pizza - order by the slice or a whole pie. Also serves a variety of specialty soups, salads and pastas. Order online and select a desired time for delivery or pick-up.

DE LORENZO'S TOMATO PIES (www.delorenzostomatopies.com; 609.341.8480) in Robbinsville, NJ just 20-25 minutes south of Princeton. This family-owned and operated restaurant serves some of the best thin crust pizza in the area. The original DeLorenzo's restaurant in Trenton was opened in 1936 and is still in operation, though be warned that there are no bathrooms at the Trenton location! Specializing in pizza and salad, and that's all they serve! Pizzas start at \$12 and you pay an add'l \$1 per topping. Closed on Mondays and no Saturday lunch. Usually a long wait on the weekends, or after 6:30pm week nights; go early to beat the crowd. Outdoor dining available on weekdays, weather permitting. BYOB.

NOMAD PIZZA (www.nomadpizzaco.com; 609.466.6623) in Hopewell, NJ, only 20 minutes northwest of Princeton. Delicious brick-oven pizzas at reasonable prices and big enough to share. **Cash or check only.** BYOB. The restaurant gets its name because up until last year pizzas were only served out of their 1949 REO Speedwagon at special events. Look for the truck at Communiversity the last weekend in April!

TESSARA RESTAURANT (www.tessararestaurant.com; 609.584.1700) on Route 33 in Hamilton serving Italian and American cuisine. **FREE** dessert on your birthday!

MEXICAN

TICO'S EATERY AND JUICE BAR (www.ticosprinceton.com; 609.252.0300) on the corner of Witherspoon and Spring Street. Serves fresh juice and smoothies - you pick the ingredients (fruits, vegetables, greens, wheatgrass) and they squeeze it while you wait. Also serves Mexican and American lunch fare.

TORTUGA'S MEXICAN VILLAGE (www.tortugasmv.com; 609.924.5143) on Leigh Avenue, a residential area, off Witherspoon Street. Authentic Mexican cuisine, great atmosphere and service, and you get your money's worth! **Cash only.** BYOB.

TASTE OF MEXICO (www.coxsmarket.com; 609.924.0500) on Nassau Street, located behind Cox's Market. Authentic southern Mexican cuisine and sodas/juice imported from Mexico. Because they're off the main road, the outdoor seating venue makes it feel as though you've stepped away from Princeton.

SOUP AND SANDWICHES

HOAGIE HAVEN (www.hoagiehaven.com; 609.921.7723) on Nassau Street, just south of Harrison. Delicious and inexpensive hoagies, burgers and cheese steaks, including specialty sandwiches like the Phat Lady (cheesesticks and fries on a bun). No seating. **Cash only.**

PRINCETON SOUP AND SANDWICH (www.princetonsoupandsandwich.com; 609.497.0008) in Palmer Square. Serves breakfast, lunch, and dinner featuring 50 soup varieties that rotate daily. Limited seating inside, but within walking distance of outdoor tables. Local delivery available with \$20 minimum orders.

WAWA (www.wawa.com; 609.921.3677) next to Dinky train station, close to main campus. A variety of hoagies made while you wait. Quick service; order on a computer screen and take a number. No seating. Basic groceries and snacks also available.

Happy Hour and Late Night Drinks

BIG FISH (www.muer.com; 609.919.1179) in Market Fair Mall. Drinks and appetizers \$2 to \$5 Monday through Friday, 4:00 to 7:00 PM in the bar. Happy Hour not served on holidays and holiday weekends.



ALCHEMIST AND BARRISTER (www.theaandb.com; 609.924.5555) on Witherspoon Street. Happy hour and late night specials 7 days a week. Live music entertainment Thursday nights, 10:00 PM to 1:00 AM; Sunday nights 9:00 to 11:00 PM; Wednesday nights Open Mic, 10:00 PM to 1:00 AM. The A&B is also a more upscale place for a great, affordable lunch!

PRINCETON SPORTS BAR & GRILL (www.princetonsportsbar.com; 609.921.7555) on Nassau Street, formerly Sotto Restaurant and Lounge. \$2.50 drinks and \$5 appetizers Monday through Friday, 4:00 to 7:00 PM; \$2 draft specials after 10:00 PM.

THE IVY (www.ivyinnprinceton.com; 609.921.8555) on Nassau Street. According to some students it is Princeton's only 'real' bar; known for their beer and karaoke.

Ice Cream & Coffee

SMALL WORLD COFFEE (www.smallworldcoffee.com; 609.924.4377) Two locations: Witherspoon Street and Nassau Street. Fair trade coffee and tea, desserts and light lunch menu. Offers live music, special events, and local art exhibitions.

THE BENT SPOON (www.thebentspoon.com; 609.924.2368) located in Palmer Square. Large variety of ice cream and sorbet flavors. Small portions and a bit pricey, but certainly scrumptious. Fantastic cupcakes! All products made with natural ingredients. **Cash only**.

*TWIST YOGURT (www.twist-yogurt.com; 609.454.3057) on Nassau Street. Do-it-yourself sundae creation with a rotating selection of frozen yogurt and sorbet flavors and dozens of toppings. Pay by the ounce, but be warned that the toppings will quickly add weight! Local artwork on display each month.

HALO PUB (www.halofarm.com; 609.921.1710) in Palmer Square. Delicious homemade ice cream, malts and shakes and great prices; a single scoop (generous portions) is only \$1.75! Ice cream can be purchased by the pint as well. Also serves warm beverages and specialty ice cream cakes and desserts. Live outdoor music Saturday nights, April through October. **Cash only**.

THOMAS SWEET (www.thomassweet.com; 609.683.8720) on Nassau Street. Famous for the Blend-In: homemade ice cream with up to three delicious toppings blended in. The sister store in Palmer Square sells gourmet chocolates and other sweets.

RITA'S WATER ICE (www.ritasice.com; 609.799.7229) on Nassau Park Blvd, near Home Depot. Serves water ice, custard, gelati (ice with custard) and more! Open seasonally; no dining area.

WHOLE FOODS MARKET also has a great coffee and gelati bar! See page 13.



ENTERTAINMENT

Movies and Theatres

UA MOVIES at MARKETFAIR (www.regmovies.com; 609.520.8960) is conveniently located; just a walk away for CRW residents. Student rates if you show your PTS ID card, however these rates are not valid on the weekends. Matinee prices are reasonable. You can view movie times and order tickets in advance through www.fandango.com. **TIPS:** *Sign up for the FREE Regal Rewards program and use the card when buying tickets and concessions to earn free movie passes, popcorn and drinks, and discounted candy. Discounts at TGIFriday's with your ticket stub! Dinner and A Movie partnership with Cheeburger Cheeburger restaurant.*

GARDEN THEATRE (www.thegardentheatre.com; 609.683.7595) on the corner of Nassau Street and Washington. Cute, local theatre, just a walk away from main campus. Prices comparable to UA Movies. Only two screens, not always the big blockbuster hits, so check out the "now playing" on the website, or call in advance.

AMC HAMILTON 24 (www.amcentertainment.com/Hamilton; 609.890.4900) in Hamilton off I-295 (East at the Sloan Ave exit). Features both IMAX and 3-D theatres in addition to 24 2-D screens. Prices comparable to UA Movies, though student pricing only available on Thursdays.



Screenings beginning before noon are significantly cheaper. **TIPS:** *Consider Dinner and a Movie with Cheeburger Cheeburger or Uno Chicago Grill. Or bring your ticket stubs to Uno Chicago Grill in the movie theatre parking lot and receive 10% off your meal. The AMC Stubs rewards program has a \$12 annual fee, but worth it if you go out to the movies often!*

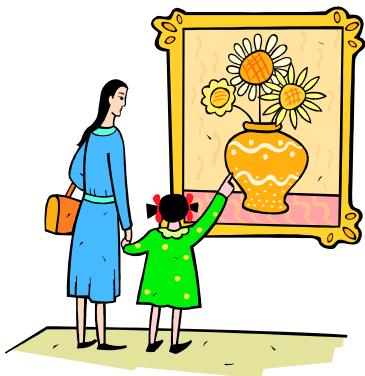
MOVIE RENTALS are available at Mercer Co. Libraries (no charge), Princeton Library (\$1/night), and Redbox at Shop Rite, Wegmans and Wal-mart (\$1/night).

McCARTER THEATRE (www.mccarter.org; 609.258.ARTS(2787)) is conveniently located near the Dinky Train Station, just a walk from main campus (park for **FREE** at PTS!). Large variety of theatre and music performances throughout the year, including annual performances of Charles Dickens' *A Christmas Carol*. **TIPS:** *Pay What You Can tickets are available for select Theatre Series, and various student discounts are available with valid ID, including cheap standing room tickets. Discounts are available to AAA members. Volunteer to usher and see shows for **FREE**!*

KELSEY THEATRE (www.kelseyatmccc.org; 609.570.3333) in West Windsor, about 15-20 minutes from CRW. Music and Theatre productions presented by Mercer County Community College students, and members of the community; anyone can audition! Great offering of children's theatre throughout the year.

For information about theatre in Philly and New York, see pages 29-32.

Museums and Galleries



UNIVERSITY ART MUSEUM (www.princetonartmuseum.org; 609.258.3788) is centrally located on the Princeton University campus. **FREE** admission! Large permanent collection and rotating exhibits. Closed on Mondays.

PAUL ROBESON CENTER FOR THE ARTS (www.artscouncilofprinceton.org; 609.924.8777) on Witherspoon Street, across from the library. Permanent and rotating gallery exhibit, art classes, concerts. Café Improv offered one Saturday each month (view ACP events calendar online), with a suggested \$2 donation.

COMMUNIVERSITY, annual arts festival sponsored by the Princeton Arts Council and Princeton University, held on the streets of downtown Princeton the last Saturday in April. Highlights numerous local restaurants and stores in addition to local artists.

FREE MUSEUM PASSES are available at [Princeton Public Library](#) and through the [Mercer County Library System](#) for use by library patrons. It is recommended you reserve weeks or months in advance of your visit. View library websites for more information. The museums were selected based on their interest in participating in the museum pass program. ***Many new options have been added since last year's publication!*** Museums (and pass pick-up locations) include: Academy of Natural Sciences (www.ansp.org) - Princeton, Hopewell, Lawrence

American Museum of Natural History (www.amnh.org) - West Windsor

Bucks County Children's Museum (www.buckskids.org) - Lawrence, Hopewell

Children's Museum of Manhattan (www.cmom.org) - Princeton, Lawrence, West Windsor

Frick Collection (www.frick.org) - Princeton

Garden State Discovery Museum ([Garden State Discovery Museum](#)) - Princeton, Hopewell, Lawrence, West Windsor

Grounds for Sculpture (see below) - Princeton

Guggenheim Museum (www.guggenheim.org) - Princeton, Hopewell, Lawrence, West Windsor

Intrepid Sea, Air & Space Museum (www.intrepidmuseum.org) - Princeton

Mütter Museum (www.collegeofphysicians.org/mutter-museum) - Lawrence

Museum of the City of New York (www.mcny.org) - Princeton

Museum of Modern Art (www.moma.org) - Princeton

National Liberty Museum (www.libertymuseum.org) - Hopewell, Lawrence

New York Historical Society (www.nyhistory.org) - Princeton, West Windsor

Pennsylvania Academy of Fine Arts (www.pafa.org) - Princeton, Hopewell, Lawrence

GROUND FOR SCULPTURE (www.groundsforsculpture.org; 609.586.0616) in Hamilton off I-295 (west at Sloan Ave exit). Features 35 acres of landscape dotted with over 250 sculptures, many designed for visitor interaction. There are also indoor galleries with rotating exhibits. Great place for the entire family; **FREE** admission for children under five, and admission for children 6-17 is only \$8. Closed on Mondays, except Labor Day and Memorial Day. **TIP:** Plan in advance and request **FREE** passes from the Princeton Library!

For information about museums and zoos in Philly and New York, see pages 29-32.

Libraries

Library cards for the MERCER COUNTY LIBRARY SYSTEM (www.mcl.org) can be acquired by CRW residents by presenting proof of West Windsor residency (bring a copy of your PSEG electric bill if your driver's license is out-of-state or says Princeton). Both of the closest branches are open Monday through Saturday, and Sunday afternoons during the school year. Both offer **FREE** DVDs on loan for a week, and extensive children's programming (songs, crafts, etc.). Books and videos can be reserved online for pickup at any branch. **FREE** Museum passes available, see above. Summer Reading Clubs available for kids.

WEST WINDSOR LIBRARY (609.799.0462) on North Post Road; take Alexander Road and turn right at the circle. Largest children's book collection in the library system, including an international children's collection with 16 languages.

LAWRENCEVILLE LIBRARY (609.882.9246) on Brunswick Pike, Business Rte 1 South.

PTS Students may obtain a Princeton University Library Card at FIRESTONE LIBRARY (library.princeton.edu; 609.258.1470) by simply showing their PTS ID card during normal business hours. The COTSEN CHILDREN'S LIBRARY (www.princeton.edu/cotsen; 609.258.1148) does not have books available for circulation, but it does house a large collection of rare children's books and manuscripts, and offers children's programs that are open to the public without needing a library card.

PRINCETON PUBLIC LIBRARY (www.princetonlibrary.org; 609.924.9529) on Witherspoon Street. Students living in the dorms and residents of Roberts/Tennent can obtain a Princeton Public Library card by showing proof of a Princeton mailing address. Residents of CRW can obtain a library card by showing a PTS Student ID, but the card will need to be renewed annually. In addition to three floors of books, the library features adult and children's programming, used book for sales, DVD/video game rentals, study rooms and meeting spaces that can be reserved, and a café. **TIP:** *You can also use your Princeton Library card to receive **FREE** parking in the Spring Street municipal lot for up to two hours; see the receptionist at the library for validation to present upon exiting the parking deck.*

Local Parks and Recreation

THE INSTITUTE WOODS/ROGERS WILDLIFE REFUGE (www.princetontwp.org/instwoods). at the Institute for Advanced Study can be accessed from Hardin Road (off Olden Lane from Mercer Street) or from West Drive (off Alexander Road). Walking trails and picnic areas make enjoying the wildlife and wildflowers of the Woods easy. Great place for bird-watching. **TIP:** *Limited parking at the park entrance on West Drive; park at the Turning Basin Park on Alexander Road. These trails can also be accessed from the Canal Path (just past the cement mile marker and wooden bench when coming from CRW) via a pretty cool suspension bridge...but you may want to wear shoes that can get wet/muddy. Trail maps and more information about this park and other hiking locations in NJ can be viewed at www.njtrails.org.*



THE DELAWARE AND RARITAN CANAL (www.dandrcanal.com) runs from Trenton to New Brunswick and features fishing, historical structures, walking trails, and wildlife. CANOES can be rented for reasonable

rates on Alexander Road in Princeton at Turning Basin Park (which hosts a picnic area, playground and walking trails connected to The Institute Woods). The Canal Path can also be accessed at the end of Emmons Drive in CRW, behind the Dupree Center for Children.

MARQUAND PARK (www.princetontwp.org/marquand) is a short walk from the PTS main campus via footpaths on Mercer Road and Stockton Street and can be accessed by car on Lovers Lane. It boasts a large arboretum with clear labels on most trees, a picnic area, ball field, playground, and paved walking trails to enjoy Princeton's wildlife.

COMMUNITY PARK SOUTH nestled between Route 206 and Witherspoon Street, less than a mile from the PTS main campus, offers ball fields, basketball and tennis courts, a playground, a picnic area, and a swimming complex with multiple pools and a wading area. Summer memberships for the pool can be purchased through the Princeton Recreation Department (www.leaguelineup.com/princetonrecreation). Just across Route 206 is COMMUNITY PARK NORTH (www.princetontwp.org/commparkn), accessible from Mountain Ave in Princeton. It features an amphitheater, fishing, ice skating, and wildlife. There are lots of benches but not many picnic tables or flat areas for blankets.

The parking lot for Community Park North also provides access to the MOUNTAIN LAKES NATURE PRESERVE. This 75 acre preserve offers a variety of walking and hiking trails, geophysical structures, fishing, birding, and wildlife. It is maintained by the Friends of Princeton Open Spaces (www.fopos.org). Bordering Mountain Lakes is the JOHN WITHERSPOON WOODS featuring walking trails and opportunities for wildlife- and bird-watching. The property is comprised of 40 acres.

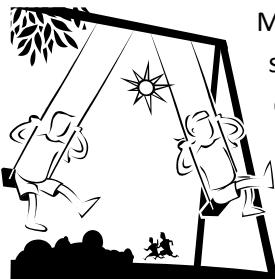
BARBARA SMOYER MEMORIAL PARK on Snowden Lane in Princeton features ball fields, picnic areas, restrooms, playgrounds, and walking trails. Visitors can also enjoy fishing in the warmer months and ice skating in the winter.

HARRISON STREET PARK on South Harrison Street in Princeton is only 3.5 acres, but offers open fields, a wading pool, picnic areas, and a small playground.

HILLTOP on Bunn Drive, north of Princeton Shopping Center, features an 8,000 square foot skate park.

PRINCETON BATTLEFIELD STATE PARK, located on Mercer Road in Princeton, featuring historical structures and information on the Revolutionary War's Battle of Princeton. Re-enactments and events throughout the year, especially around patriotic holidays such as Independence Day. More information available at www.saveprincetonbattlefield.org.

MERCER MEADOWS in Hopewell/Lawrenceville features 1600 acres of wilderness. Limited amenities but numerous nature trails and viewing decks. Great place to experience the silence and stillness of nature.



MERCER COUNTY PARK is located in Princeton Junction, 10-15 minutes from CRW. Its sizeable grounds enclose athletic fields, ice skating, tennis and basketball courts, a cross country track, and a sand volleyball court. Visitors can also enjoy mountain biking, a nature trail, fishing, hiking, and a dog park. During the summer months, PADDLE BOATS can be rented at the boat house at an hourly rate. It's a good workout, and fun! Fireworks display and activities are offered one weekend each summer prior to Independence Day, but it does get crowded!

WASHINGTON CROSSING PARK (www.ushistory.org/washingtoncrossing) stretches across the Delaware River from Titusville, NJ to Washington Crossing, PA. In addition to a museum and information about the famous crossing of the Delaware by the Patriots in 1776, the park offers an open air theatre, visitor center, nature center, observatory, trails, and picnic area. Both sides of the river also boast trails that run for miles, great for hiking or biking along the scenic Delaware. A re-enactment of Washington crossing the Delaware takes place on Christmas Day each year at 1:00 PM.

Tubing on the Delaware River is a great way to beat the heat in the summer, and river outfitters such as DELAWARE RIVER TUBING (www.delawarerivertubing.com) offer fun rides down the river. You can also float the river with your own tubes but familiarize yourself with the water level and rapids first and have a designated exit point and means to return to where you started.

HOWELL LIVING HISTORY FARM (www.howellfarm.org) is located 25-30 minutes west of main campus in Lambertville, NJ. **FREE** admission and parking, but fee for children's crafts and corn maze. Visitors can be actively involved in planting and harvesting crops, ice, honey, and maple syrup, using methods from the late 1800s and early 1900s. Weekday farmhand programs available for children (reservations needed), but most events are on Saturdays. Closed Mondays.

SOURLAND MOUNTAIN PRESERVE can be found on East Mountain Road in Hillsborough, 15-20 minutes north of main campus. It features mountain biking, hiking, horseback riding, and bouldering.

For more information about parks and events in and around the Princeton area, check out:

THE MERCER COUNTY RECREATION DEPARTMENT (www.nj.gov/counties/mercer/commissions/park/)
THE PRINCETON RECREATION DEPARTMENT (www.facebook.com/princetonrecreation)

In addition to what's in this publication, the Mercer County Library has provided a list of kid-friendly playgrounds, parks and activities near Princeton: webserver.mcl.org/ys/ysplaces.html

State and National Parks

The DELAWARE WATER GAP begins only a couple hours north of Princeton; a beautiful place to go for a day trip, or weekend getaway. Locations along the Delaware River offer swimming, fishing, boating, canoeing, kayaking, rafting, and tubing. Numerous hiking trails available within the National Park, including 27 miles of the Appalachian Trail. Camping available at WORTHINGTON STATE FOREST CAMPGROUND in New Jersey, with group sites on the river.



Other campgrounds in vicinity include JENNY JUMP STATE FOREST. Jenny Jump is a quiet campground with sites tucked back away from the road and restroom facilities with showers. Offers 11 miles of hiking trails (various distances) and a beautiful view of the Water Gap without needing to hike. No access to the river at this park. An observatory offers programming on Saturday nights April through October.

ALLAIRE STATE PARK, situated on the Manasquan River, an hour east of Princeton, is best known for its HISTORIC VILLAGE (www.allairevillage.org) with living history events, craft shows and more. Tent and trailer campsites available in addition to yurts and shelters. Hiking trails range from .5 mile to 16.5 miles.

The official website for the State of New Jersey (<http://state.nj.us>) offers more details about parks.

Jersey Shore

The Jersey Shore is a popular destination in the summer, especially on the weekends. If you plan to travel there, refer to your trip as going “down” to the shore, even if you’re heading east or north. Unless otherwise noted, most beaches do have a cover charge Memorial Day through Labor Day of around \$7-8 per person. **TIP:** *If you go to the shore after 4:30 PM some of the beaches waive their fee!*

Popular locations include...

POINT PLEASANT (www.pointpleasantbeach.com) features arcades, fun house, aquarium, boardwalk, and private beaches. The children’s amusement park is expensive but could definitely be worth the splurge. Fireworks every Thursday during the summer months provided by Jenkinson’s Boardwalk (www.jenkinsonsonline.com).

BRADLEY BEACH (www.bradleybeachonline.com) is a very family-friendly location. Concessions available for purchase, umbrellas and chairs available for rental. There are also toddler playgrounds and a miniature golf course that is open during the summer months.

SEASIDE HEIGHTS (www.seasideheights.net) is THE Jersey Shore experience... Boardwalk with arcades, rides and mini golf. Family Fun Days and Music Mondays in July and August. If it gets too crazy for you SEASIDE PARK (www.seasideparknj.org) is just south and is a bit less touristy.

ISLAND BEACH STATE PARK (www.islandbeachnj.org) is the best beach for nature-lovers, known for dunes and marshes. A low-key, less touristy atmosphere. Pay per car rather than per person. No fee if you park in Seaside Heights and walk/bike one mile north to the park.

OCEAN GROVE (www.oceangrovenj.com) and SANDY HOOK (www.sandy-hook.com) are also a bit more low-key and don’t have the big touristy appeal. Ocean Grove is a quaint old Methodist town that has a yummy ice cream shop!

BELMAR (www.belmar.com/beach) and MANASQUAN (www.manasquan-nj.com/beaches) are also ‘boring beaches’ (at least according to the NJ locals); they encompass a more casual and laid-back Jersey Shore experience. At Belmar there is a boardwalk but nothing really on it (a few shops, etc.) and a playground. At Manasquan, the houses practically run right up to the beach and there is a large sand dune with a path that runs along the beach in place of where a boardwalk would be. Manasquan is very handicapped accessible.

ATLANTIC CITY (www.atlanticcitynj.com) is famous for casinos but also has **FREE** beach access! Boardwalk include an amusement park, aquarium and more.

THE WILDWOODS (www.wildwoodsnj.com) is best known for their water and amusement parks on the pier (www.moreyspier.com). These activities can be pricey, but the beach is **FREE!** The Wildwoods hosts an International Kite Festival over Memorial Day weekend.

CAPE MAY (www.capecodnj.com) is the Southern-most tip of NJ. It is a quaint Victorian town with lots of B&Bs. It is touristy, but also has a large natural park with hiking. Beaches are less populated on the west and southern shores. **TIP:** *The zoo in Cape May Courthouse, NJ (www.capecodnjzoo.org) is **FREE** and only 15 minutes north of Cape May!*



Other Activities (for Adults and Kids)



Trenton Thunder is New Jersey's minor league baseball team and their stadium is located right on the Delaware River in Hamilton, NJ just south of Princeton. Going to see a game is a very fun evening or weekend activity! Tickets are very reasonably priced and discount days and fireworks displays are offered regularly throughout the season. Learn more about Thunder at www.minorleaguebaseball.com.

As mentioned in the beginning of the document PTS offers an assortment of events and activities throughout the year, sponsored both by the Seminary at large and also student organizations (calendar.ptsem.edu). There are also some great events taking place at PRINCETON UNIVERSITY throughout the year and the PTS community is always welcome to attend (www.princeton.edu/events). And consider taking a tour of the university and learn more about this historic Ivy League school in our backyard (www.princeton.edu/main/visiting/tours).

Check out www.princetonol.com/polCalendar.cfm for a great calendar of Princeton events - Fireworks, Farmer's Markets, Concerts, Tours, Networking Events, and more!

Our town is packed with history beyond the walls of the University. Learn more by partaking in a guided HISTORY OF PRINCETON WALKING TOUR on Sunday afternoon or a Stroller Stride the first Monday of every month. Tours are only \$7 per person. Maps for self-guided tours are also available at the Bainbridge House on Nassau Street, home of the Princeton Historical Society. For more information visit www.princetonhistory.org.

If you have kids, check out MISS AMY AND HER BIG KIDS BAND (www.facebook.com/MissAmysBand) at MarketFair Mall. She's a local Grammy nominated children's artist with lots of energy!

LASER TAG, ARCADE, POOL TABLES and BOWLING are available at the new COLONIAL LANES facility (www.colonialbowlingnj.com; 609.882.7700) on Business Route 1 in Lawrenceville. Lots of specials throughout the week for all ages - check out the events calendar on their website. Thursday nights feature \$10.99 unlimited bowling and \$1 drafts with a student ID.

Paint your own pottery at BLOOMERS 'N' THINGS (www.bloomersandthingstodo.com; 609.259.3792) in Allentown, NJ only 25 minutes from Princeton. Prices start around \$10 for a mug and vary depending on the piece you choose, but there is no additional sitting fee or cost to have your piece glazed and fired in the kiln. Allentown is a cute small town with a delicious ice cream shop called SWAL DAIRY (www.swaldairy.com; 609.259.8508) and a large open park and walking trail with a hidden entrance just a few doors down from Bloomers 'n' Things.

SIX FLAGS GREAT ADVENTURE and WILD SAFARI (www.sixflags.com) in Jackson, NJ is only 30-40 minutes from PTS and is the largest of the Six Flags theme parks. **TIPS:** *The Princeton Recreation Department (609.921.9480) offers Six Flags Great Adventure/Wild Safari tickets at HALF-PRICE! Tickets are also significantly less expensive when purchasing online. And 4th of July is actually a good time to go, lines are not too long!*

Visit HISTORIC WHITESBOG VILLAGE in Browns Mills, NJ, famous for its cranberries and blueberries. Located 45 minutes east of Princeton, the Whitesbog General Store offers guided village tours and moonlight walking tours monthly. BLUEBERRY FESTIVAL every June features blueberry picking, children's games, pie eating contests and arts/crafts exhibits presented by local artists. For more info visit www.whitesbog.org.

Take a day trip to Camden, NJ approx. one hour from Princeton and check out...

ADVENTURE AQUARIUM (www.adventureaquarium.com; 856.365.3300) - Get up close and personal with sharks and hippos and other fabulous aquatic animals from around the world. A bit pricey, but great exhibits. **TIPS:** *Tickets can be purchased as part of the Philadelphia City Pass (www.citypass.com/city/philadelphia.html). To avoid parking fees and the hassle of driving, and to receive discounted tickets, consider riding the RiverLINE (see page 35).*

BATTLESHIP NEW JERSEY (www.battleshipnewjersey.org; 856.966.1652) - Discover what it's like to live on a ship! Group overnight experiences available.

CAMDEN CHILDREN'S GARDEN (www.camdenchildrensgarden.org; 856.365.8733) - Explore the natural world with multiple kid-friendly gardens and a butterfly house. Open Friday through Sunday only. Special events almost every weekend.

Check out the book called *Day Trips in New Jersey* for other great ideas. There are tons of gardens, mansions, interesting/historical towns, and parks in the area, and many of them are kind of off the beaten path.

New York City

Unless you like driving in the big city, plan to use public transportation if going to Manhattan. Take the train (NJTransit) to New York's PENN STATION, just south of Times Square (approx. \$30 round trip from Princeton Junction, *more info on page 35*). Or for a cheaper trip, drive to STATEN ISLAND and take the **FREE** ferry (www.siferry.com) across the Upper Bay and arrive in Lower Manhattan near Battery Park and the Brooklyn Bridge. Parking at the SI Ferry is available in municipal and private lots for \$5.50 - \$6.00 per day, including Sundays. Take advantage of the culture in the city and check out some of the museums and zoos (see below), and if you're traveling with children, check out the BIG PIANO in F.A.O. Schwartz on 5th Avenue!

TIP: *Before you head into the city, look for discount tickets to many attractions online. You can purchase inexpensive monthly or annual memberships at www.NYtix.com and save a lot of money on parking, tours, museum admissions and Broadway shows! This website is also a great source for things-to-do, and you can search by category: kids, teens, free, low-cost, first-time visitor, etc.*

In addition to the attractions and tips listed below, check out these recommended websites:

gonyc.about.com/od/freestuff/tp/free_attraction.htm

gonyc.about.com/od/christmasinnyc/New_York_City_Christmas_Holiday_Guide.htm



The Wildlife Conservation Society (www.wcs.org) manages five zoos and aquariums in the NYC area including CENTRAL PARK ZOO (www.centralparkzoo.com), BRONX ZOO (www.bronxzoo.com), QUEENS ZOO (www.queenszoo.com), PROSPECT PARK ZOO (www.prospectparkzoo.com) and the NEW YORK AQUARIUM (www.nyaquarium.com). All zoos feature tours, special programs and unique exhibits throughout the year, for children and adults of all

ages. **TIPS:** *The Aquarium has pay-what-you-wish admission after 3:00 PM. Some of the travel brochures available at Penn Station include 20% admission for the Central Park Zoo, up to 6 people if you pay for each ticket separately.*

CENTRAL PARK (www.centralparknyc.org) is a great place to visit, especially in the summer. **FREE** family and community activities, sports, theatre, music and sculptures. If you want to see the entirety of the park, plan to make a day of it!

THE NEW YORK BOTANICAL GARDEN (www.nybg.org) is located in the Bronx, just north of the Grand Central Station. Parking is available for \$12/day, but the gardens are also easily accessible by public transportation. Admission to the grounds is \$10 for adults, \$5 for students and \$2 for children. **TIP:** *Admission to the grounds is **FREE** all day on Wednesdays and from 10:00 to 11:00 AM Saturdays, but this does not include special exhibits.*

MUSEUM OF MODERN ART (www.moma.org) - Children under 16 always have **FREE** admission. Student tickets available for \$12 online, with valid ID. Tickets are less when purchasing online. **TIP:** *Plan your trip in advance and reserve tickets through the Princeton Library Museum Pass Program! (see page 23)*

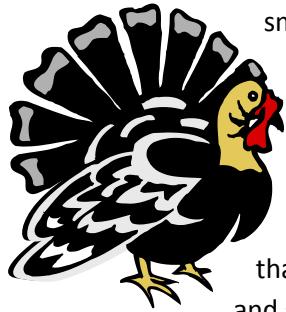
BROOKLYN MUSEUM (www.brooklynmuseum.org) - The museum has suggested admission prices of \$12 for adult, \$8 for student or senior, but you can pay less, and children under 12 are always **FREE**. First Saturday of each month, museum and special events are **FREE** 5:00 - 11:00 PM, pay only for food from the café and \$5 for parking. Museum is closed Mondays and Tuesdays. **TIP:** *Discounts available when purchasing museum and botanical garden tickets together.*

Discounts for BROADWAY tickets are available at the Student Life Office. Stop by Templeton Hall to get more information. You can also purchase discount tickets online at www.nytix.com or in person the day of the event from the red NYTickets booth at Times Square, but prepare to wait in line!

Other TIPS from a PTS alum and obsessed Broadway fan: A RAFFLE TICKET is usually around \$25. Show up to the theatre two and a half hours before show time and your name gets thrown into a big bucket and two hours before the show they draw names. You are able to purchase up to 2 tickets, and the seats are usually the first two rows of the theater. However, only as few as 12 names may be drawn, and over 100 people enter the drawing. A STUDENT DISCOUNT TICKET is a little bit more expensive but are available as soon as the box office is open. Be warned, for popular shows, people start lining up at least an hour before the box office opens. Again, you can buy up to two tickets and when the seats are gone, they stop selling. Don't forget about the MATINEE SHOWS; they are excellent and usually a better guarantee for getting a seat. If a show starts at 8 PM, keep an eye on the watch if you are taking the train back to Princeton (the last train leaves around 1 AM). There are lots of great RESTAURANTS around the theater district, but if you are on a tight budget, either pack a meal or take the subway down to

Chinatown for an affordable option. Near TIMES SQUARE there are always people selling tickets for comedy shows or discount tickets for off-Broadway shows. Yes, they are legit. However, don't buy Broadway tickets from street vendors...they may be counterfeit! The off-Broadway shows are wonderful if you are looking for something a little different than the typical big musical. The comedy shows are great, but be warned you are expected to purchase at least two drinks once inside and they are pricey!

TIPS for MACY'S THANKSGIVING DAY PARADE: Get there *early*! People begin gathering along the parade route at 6:30 AM, even though the parade doesn't begin until 9:00 AM. Plan to let children sit on shoulders or they won't see anything except the balloons. If you are short, you may want to consider a small, lightweight step-stool. No port-a-potties available, plan accordingly! Bring snacks.



The parade begins near Central Park and is a nice place to watch because there is a lot of open space and it's early in the route so participants still have energy. The busiest, most crowded part of the route is on 34th street near Macy's and Penn Station. Remember, these large crowds are good spots to get pick-pocketed; don't put valuables in backpacks, and keep purses under your coat, etc. If you have friends that live in the city, ask if you can spend the night to avoid the traffic Thursday morning, and sleep in a bit!

Philadelphia

Philly is easier to access by car than New York City, and the parking isn't quite as expensive. About 55 minutes away - great day trip location! Discount parking coupons can be printed online for a variety of lots throughout the city; check out Philadelphia.centralparking.com for Park Your Way coupons.

In addition to the attractions and tips listed below, check out these recommended websites:

www.philadelphiausa.travel

www.nps.gov/state/PA/index.htm

PHILADELPHIA MUSEUM OF ART (www.philamuseum.org) - Visit on the first Sunday of the month to pay-what-you-wish! Children under 12 always **FREE**. *Art After 5* offers music and other entertainment on Friday nights, **FREE** with price of admission, but only select galleries are open at this time.

PHILADELPHIA ZOO (www.philadelphiazoo.org) - First zoo in America, home to over 1300 animals. Events for kids, families and even adults! Can be bought as part of the Philly CITY PASS which allows you to visit 6 Philadelphia attractions over a 9-day period (www.citypass.com/city/philadelphia.html).

THE FRANKLIN INSTITUTE (www2.fi.edu) - Great museum for older kids. Admission includes a visit to the planetarium. IMAX and special exhibits can be viewed for an additional cost.

PLEASE-TOUCH MUSEUM (www.pleasetouchmuseum.org) - Great for little kids! So many exhibits that kids can get their hands on. Busiest on weekends, rainy days and mornings. No group tours on Mondays, so this is a good day to visit. **TIPS:** *First Wednesday of every month admission is only \$2 per person 5:00-7:00 PM. Also, Mercer County Library patrons receive 10% off admission when ordering tickets online - use promo code MCLS11.*



MACY'S has a Christmas light show and you can walk through an area of the store that depicts Dickens' *A Christmas Carol*. Be warned, however, that parking in the Macy's lot can be pricy; you may want to park elsewhere and walk.

Visit Independence National Historical Park and see the LIBERTY BELL and INDEPENDENCE HALL. Both landmarks have free admission but you are subject to security screening. Tickets for the Independence Hall tour can be purchased at the INDEPENDENCE VISITOR CENTER at 6th Street and Market Street (www.independencevisitorcenter.com).

Check out www.shakespeareinclarkpark.org for information about **FREE SHAKESPEARE** performed every summer in Clark Park, West Philadelphia (www.friendsofclarkpark.org). Parking is available for free on the streets and there is a cute café just down the street with a nice bathroom and great coffee and treats (www.greenlinecafe.com). The CURIO THEATRE (www.curiotheatre.org) is another great source for theatre in Philadelphia with cheap tickets and occasional **FREE** performances.

The KIMMEL CENTER (www.kimmelcenter.org; 215.893.1999) offers a large variety of musical and theatrical performances throughout the year including concerts by the Chamber Orchestra of Philadelphia and the Philadelphia Opera. **TIPS:** *Community Rush tickets are \$10 each at the box office a couple hours prior to the start of each event, with limited availability. Broadway Series events have \$30 Community Rush tickets available on a show-by-show basis. You can call ahead for availability. All rush tickets must be paid for with cash but provide a great way to see a show! More details provided online. Students age 17-30 with valid ID can sign up online for KimmelSTIX and receive \$10 tickets on select shows without waiting in line.*

The WELLS FARGO CENTER (www.wellsfargocenterphilly.com) is home to the Philadelphia Flyers and Philadelphia 76ers, but is also a great venue for concerts and big events including the Women of Faith Conference and the Ringling Brothers Barnum & Bailey Circus. The Lincoln Financial Field (www.lincolncfinancialfield.com) is home to the Philadelphia Eagles but it also hosts other large events throughout the year including Monster Jam.

Other fun family activities in eastern Pennsylvania include:

SESAME PLACE in Langhorne, PA - 25 minute drive (www.sesameplace.com)

MERCER MUSEUM in Doylestown, PA - 1 hour drive (www.mercermuseum.org)

THE CRAYOLA FACTORY in Easton, PA - 1 hour 15 minute drive (www.crayola.com/factory)

LONGWOOD GARDENS in Kennett Square, PA - 1 ½ hour drive (www.longwoodgardens.org)

HERSHEYPARK in Hershey, PA - 2 ½ hour drive, but you can get a tour of the factory and design your own chocolate bar! (www.hersheypark.com) **TIP:** *Discount tickets can be purchased from WaWa!*

Weekend or Overnight Trip Suggestions

Drive into the Hudson Valley (an hour north of NYC) and visit the 500 acres of garden and sculptures at STORM KING ART CENTER (www.stormking.org).

Discover the majesty of NIAGARA FALLS! Groupon.com often has deals for hotels either in NY or Canada.

Explore BALTIMORE (great aquarium!) or WASHINGTON, DC (lots of free museums and landmarks!).

Take a weekend trip to Burlington, VT and check out the BEN AND JERRY'S FACTORY (www.benjerry.com/scoop-shops/factory-tours). Even if you don't like ice cream, the beautiful scenery in Vermont is well-worth the 6 hour drive.

HEALTH & WELLNESS

For recommendations of local health care providers, ask your neighbors. We've all been in your shoes and would be happy to share advice. Spouses can view recommendations and add their own in the Health Care document on the [PTS Spouses facebook](#) page. For Information on Counseling and Psychological Health see page 5.

Hospitals and Health Care Facilities

PRINCETON HEALTH CARE SYSTEM (www.princetonhcs.org; 1.866.460.4PRN)

Includes University Medical Center of Princeton in Plainsboro (hospital on Route 1), Princeton House Behavioral Center, and Princeton Fitness and Wellness Center.

PRINCETON PRIMARY & URGENT CARE CENTER (www.ppucc.com; 609.919.0009) Located on Alexander Road, it is an easily accessible facility and has seen a lot of Seminary families. Physicians, specialists, and lab techs on site.

Health Insurance Options

Students must be enrolled in the Student Health Benefit Plan (SHBP) or be covered by an employer-sponsored health plan. Spouses and children are also eligible to be part of the SHBP. This plan offers excellent benefits for counseling and spiritual direction in addition to medical and prescription coverage. Dental coverage can be added for an additional fee. Details of this plan can be found online by visiting the Health Resources page at our.ptsem.edu.

NJ FAMILY CARE (www.njfamilycare.org) is a low cost or no cost insurance option for children, and sometimes guardians. It is recommended by Seminary families on tight budgets who need basic medical care for their kids. **TIP:** *For faster processing, apply in person at the Social Services Offices in Trenton (609.989.3300) - Tuesday evenings are the best time to go. If you have an infant and plan to use NJ Family Care, make sure your pediatrician accepts this health plan before beginning services.*

If you plan to work only part-time but still want health benefits, there are at least a few corporations within walking distance of CRW that are known to offer insurance for part-time employees. The coverage is typically more limited, but it's better than nothing: Staples, Starbucks, Lowes, Whole Foods.

Athletics/Fitness

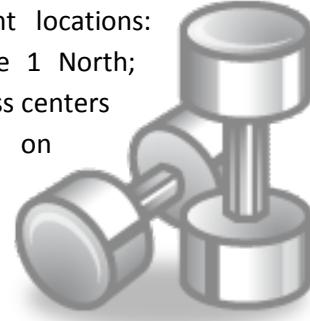
The Seminary's athletic facility, WHITELEY GYMNASIUM, is open to all students and spouses with an ID card. Located on Hibben Road across from Roberts/Tennent.

The Seminary offers a variety of FITNESS CLASSES each semester and are taught by members of the PTS community. Past classes have included KICKBOXING, YOGA, and ZUMBA. All are a fun way to get exercise and build fellowship with others in the community. The Seminary also offers a variety of INTRAMURAL SPORTS, including basketball and flag football. Though these sports are recreational, they can sometimes get really competitive! Look for information about Fitness Classes and Intramurals at the start of each semester. For questions, contact the Office of Student Life (catherine.ahmad@ptsem.edu; 609.497.7880).

In addition to the classes offered at the Seminary, yoga is also offered in downtown Princeton at YOGA ABOVE on Nassau Street (www.yogaabove.com) with multiple classes offered daily at a variety of skill levels. Other local yoga centers include: PRINCETON CENTER FOR YOGA AND HEALTH (www.princetonyoga.com), just north of downtown Princeton in Skillman, offering classes for youth and adults; and WILD CHILD YOGA, located in the Princeton Shopping Center offering classes for infants through teens, Family Yoga and Yoga Mama (pre- and post-natal).

THE PRINCETON YMCA (www.princetonymca.org; 609.497.9622) on Paul Robeson Place in downtown Princeton has nice facilities and offers many classes and programs. The YMCA has scholarships available to those who qualify for swimming lessons and classes; applications are available in the back of their course offerings booklet.

NEW YORK SPORTS CLUB (www.mysportsclubs.com) has two convenient locations: Princeton (N. Harrison St; 609.921.6985) and Monmouth Junction (Route 1 North; 732.329.8300). Childcare services available at both locations. Other local fitness centers include GOLD'S GYM (www.goldsgym.com/Lawrenceville; 609.275.8900) on Quaker Bridge Road in Lawrenceville, and PRINCETON FITNESS AND WELLNESS (www.princetonfitnessandwellness.com; 609.683.7888) on Route 206/State Road. Look for fitness center membership discounts in your mailbox throughout the year.



For the Birds and Other Pets

PRINCETON ANIMAL HOSPITAL and CARNEGIE CAT CENTER (www.princetonvet.com; 609.520.2000) on the corner of Alexander and Roszel Roads has compassionate doctors and staff that provide excellent care for your four-legged family members. They take the time to provide for your needs and are available 24 hours a day, 365 days a year.

Other local veterinary clinics that have been recommended include NASSAU ANIMAL HOSPITAL (www.nassauanimalhospital.com; 609.720.0100) on Route 1 just north of the Quaker Bridge Mall, and KINGSTON ANIMAL HOSPITAL (www.barkmeowvets.com; 609.924.7415) on Route 27 just north of Princeton.

GETTING AROUND

Driving with Jughandles (and Other Traffic Laws)



If you can drive in New Jersey, you can drive anywhere!

If you aren't sure how to get somewhere stay to the right; most turns are from the right-hand lane only, especially on Route 1. These crazy left-turns and u-turns from the right lane are commonly referred to as JUGHANDLES.

No two INTERSECTIONS in NJ are alike, proceed with caution.

Look carefully for "NO TURN ON RED" signs.

PEDESTRIANS have the right-of-way all the time, everywhere, but especially in downtown Princeton, unless they are stopped at a red traffic signal. Watch for pedestrian crosswalks on Nassau Street.

Do not attempt a U-TURN on Nassau Street, even if you see a great parking spot, not even late at night - you will be ticketed.

It is ILLEGAL TO PUMP YOUR OWN GAS in New Jersey. There is no extra fee for the full-service treatment. However, keep in mind that gas tends to be cheaper outside of Princeton. So, if you are running errands in neighboring cities, plan to fill up your tank.

NO CELL PHONES while driving, unless hands-free.

You can be pulled over for driving too long in the LEFT LANE.

All children under 8 years of age or less than 80 lbs are required by law to have a child restraint system or use a BOOSTER SEAT in the rear of the vehicle; adult seatbelts are not permissible. Adult passengers are required to wear SEATBELTS in all areas of the car.

Public Transportation and Toll Roads

The TRAIN (www.njtransit.com) is a great way to access New Brunswick and New York City or the Newark Airport (travel via the Northeast Extension). **TIPS:** *Up to two children (ages 5-11) can ride the train for FREE with a paid adult on weekends and holidays. Children ages 5-11 are always 50% off, and kids 4 and under are FREE with a paid adult ticket at any time. Discounts to local attractions can be found on the NJ Transit website and are available with validated ticket.*

Park at the Seminary's parking garage and walk to the Dinky Station on University Place (next to WaWa) or consider having a friend drop you off at the Princeton Junction Station off Alexander Road. Parking at Princeton Junction is available for \$5 per day (24 hours). Be sure to park in the numbered/non-permit lot and pay at the appropriate parking ticket box. You will get ticketed if you park in a permit lot! Parking is also available on the north side of the Station on Wallace Road (keep left on Alexander when you get to the traffic circle). **TIP:** *Spaces are limited weekday mornings, and if you can't find a space, 2 grumpy old men are happy to have you park in their nearby lot for \$8 (on Station Drive, off Washington Road).*

The LIGHT RAIL (accessible at the Trenton NJ Transit Station) is a good way to access Camden and the Adventure Aquarium (travel via the RiverLINE).

You can also get to the Dinky Station on the weekdays by using the TIGER TRANSIT. This **FREE** shuttle service travels from CRW/Witherspoon (stop is located at the corner of Emmons and Loetscher) to the Seminary's main campus, making stops at the Dinky Station as well as various locations downtown during the academic year. The trip from CRW to main campus takes 15-20 minutes so plan accordingly. This shuttle system is owned and operated by the University; visit www.princeton.edu/transportation/tigertransit.html for a complete route and schedule.

Traveling on most freeways in NJ will require paying a toll (NJ Turnpike, Garden State Parkway, Atlantic City Expressway). EZ PASS for Toll Roads can be pre-paid or registered online (www.ezpassnj.com).

The nearest GREYHOUND station is located in Mt. Laurel, NJ just off I-295 (no tolls!) or the NJ Turnpike. The nearest AMTRAK station is located in Trenton on Bunn Drive, just off Route 1.

Car Maintenance

MARK'S TRACKSIDE AUTO (www.markstracksidemotors.com; 609.799.0605) is on Alexander Road, just before the traffic circle. Friendly, honest and trustworthy. Will refer you elsewhere if they think someone else can do it cheaper, however their prices are fairly comparable to other automotive services in the area. They also have a **FREE** shuttle service that will transport you to places such as CRW or the train station or the mall if you need to leave your car; will even pick you up when your car is ready. Open 7:30 AM - 7:00 PM weekdays; closed on the weekends.

MIDAS (www.midasphiladelphia.com; 609.896.1515) is on Route 1 South in Lawrenceville, just past Red Lobster. Forthright and honest and the prices are always reasonable. Call in advance to schedule appointments for oil changes and other maintenance and the wait won't be long. Appointments not available on weekends. **TIP:** *Look for coupons in the mail or online.*

LARINI'S SERVICE CENTER (www.larinis.com; 609.924.8553) is conveniently located between CRW and main campus, on Alexander Road at the corner of Faculty Road.

TIGER GARAGE (tigergarage.mechanicnet.com; 609.924.0609) is on Witherspoon Street just outside downtown Princeton near Conte's Pizzeria. Small shop with great service; and you may not even be charged for some services even if you should! **TIP:** *You can download a 10% off coupon from the website.*

B&E SERVICE (www.bnbservice.com; 609.586.5400) on Klockner Road in Trenton/Hamilton. Friendly, trustworthy, and good prices. They are in the same location as BETTY BUBBLES, a 24-hour do-it-yourself car wash service - don't forget to bring your quarters!

PEP BOYS (www.pepboys.com; 609.520.0031) on Route 1 South is conveniently located near CRW, with their driveway on Emmons Drive, but they are occasionally overpriced and their service station is not always highly recommended. **TIP:** *Download coupons from their website.*

STS TIRE (www.ststire.com/locations/lb/lawrenceville; 609-882-8555) is on Route 1 South in Lawrenceville past I-295 before you reach the split for Business Route 1. Great place to go for a tire alignment; usually good and fairly priced. **TIP:** Download coupons from their website.

For CRW residents, the most convenient car wash is the PRINCETON TIGER WASH on Route 1 South, but you can access from Farber Road without having to face the traffic on Route 1! For around \$10 you can get a basic wash, inside and out. There are \$2 off discount days for ladies on Mondays and for Princeton University students on Thursdays (they'll accept PTS ID as well).

Unfortunately you are not allowed to wash your car or change your own oil on any PTS property!

Auto Insurance and Licenses

Mercer County has two DMV/MVC locations:

TRENTON (609.292.6500), Stockton and Front Street

LAWRENCEVILLE (609.882.1772), Route 1 North, easily accessible from Quaker Bridge Road - turn right at the light just past the mall.

Visit www.state.nj.us/mvc/Location/Mercer.htm for hours and services at each location.



If establishing permanent residency in New Jersey, LICENSED DRIVERS FROM OUT OF STATE who are over 18 years of age have 60 days upon establishing residency to obtain a New Jersey driver's license. Out-of-state drivers under 18 will need to undergo the Graduated Driver License program for teen drivers in order to get a license in this state.

In order to register for a New Jersey driver's license you must bring with you proof of address and 6 POINTS OF IDENTIFICATION. Check online to determine point value for each piece of identification. www.state.nj.us/mvc/pdf/Licenses/ident_ver_posterpint.pdf

Again, if establishing permanent residency in New Jersey, you must REGISTER YOUR VEHICLE in this state. Initial registration is valid for four years if vehicle is purchased new in New Jersey, otherwise it must be renewed annually.

Visit one of the above locations and provide the following:

1. The vehicle title.
2. Proof of insurance.
3. Proof of your Social Security number or exemption.
4. The vehicle's odometer reading.
5. Your current driver license.

Then, complete an application for registration and pay the required registration fee.

You will also need to have your VEHICLE INSPECTED at the MVC or with a certified mechanic before you can complete the registration process.

Once your initial registration has expired you will need to RENEW YOUR REGISTRATION annually. Fortunately, the MVC gives you several easy ways to do this and will send you a registration renewal form. The easiest way to renew, if you have a major credit card, is online. You will be asked for your Social Security number and proof of insurance. You may also renew over the phone by calling

1.877. DMV.NJ4U. Or you can just send a check in the envelope provided with your renewal notice. Of course, you can always renew in person at an MVC Agency. Bring along your renewal notice or proof of your vehicle's registration.

NJ can have expensive AUTO INSURANCE. First speak with your old insurance rep to see if you have a legitimate claim not to switch to NJ (namely a permanent address and the intention of returning to the state after your education). If not, welcome to NJ! Free rate quotes are the way to get started. This will need to be done before going to the MVC.

Insurance and travel information available at AAA (609.419.1704), conveniently located in the Windsor Green Shopping Center, near Whole Foods and Staples.

Passports and Social Security



The nearest PASSPORT OFFICE is in Philadelphia, but you can apply for a new passport or renewal at both of the nearby post offices (add'l \$25 processing fee). If going to the post office in Palmer Square, call in advance to make an appointment.

The nearest SOCIAL SECURITY OFFICE is located in Trenton on Clinton Ave (1.800.772.1213) Open Monday through Friday, 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM.

Resources for International Students

The INTERNATIONAL FRIENDS NETWORK at PTS offers the opportunity to partner with a PTS international student or their spouse to help them settle into life at PTS and develop friendship, or partner with an international spouse whose husband is either a student at Princeton University or a businessman in the Princeton area for language and cultural exchange. Expertise in the local area or American culture is not required; basic training and activity suggestions will be provided. Partners can participate in fun events throughout the year. Email ifn.temp@ptsem.edu or sign up for a friendship partner at the IFN booth during the Orientation Welcome Celebration.

THE WRITING CENTER at PTS is a resource for all masters-level students needing assistance with their writing skills. Appointments can be made with any of the trained peer tutors. The writing center is located in the basement of Stuart Hall with hours of operation on Monday through Thursday, 2:00-5:00 PM and 7:00-9:00 PM and Sunday, 7:00-9:00 PM. For more information, log in to our.ptsem.edu and click on "Student Services" tab and then select "Writing Center" listed under "Student Resources" on the navigation menu. If you are a PhD student, send an email to phd@ptsem.edu with "Writing Center Information" in the subject line.

DAVIS INTERNATIONAL CENTER OF PRINCETON UNIVERSITY (www.princeton.edu/intlctr/davis-ic-home)

The Davis International Center serves as Princeton University's primary resource for international students and scholars seeking information about immigration and visa concerns and cultural and

practical adjustment to the U.S. In addition, the Davis I.C. serves as a center for cultural and educational programs that promote international diversity and understanding. Programs include:

GROUP ENGLISH CONVERSATION PROGRAM, Tuesday and Thursday, 9:30–11:30am. No homework. Find out more on Facebook ([Princeton DIC English Conversation](#)) or via the DIC website.

BRIAN'S INFORMAL ENGLISH CLASSES, Fridays 9:30am – 12:00 noon. No registration is needed and it is OK to arrive late and/or leave early. Find out more on Facebook ([Brian's Informal English Classes](#)) or via the DIC website.

GO GAMES AND INEXPENSIVE CHINESE LUNCH offered every week.

INTERNATIONAL SPOUSES AND PARTNERS OF PRINCETON UNIVERSITY (ISPPU) - Talking with Friends in English (TwFiE) conversation group, language exchange, international cooking lessons, book club, knitting/crochet group, etc. Join the Facebook group ([ISPPU](#))!

AUDITING CLASSES at PRINCETON UNIVERSITY helps with literature, translation, etc. Community auditing is only \$125 per class. Learn more by visiting [www.princeton.edu/community/learning/auditing](#).

INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS, INC. meets at NASSAU CHRISTIAN CENTER on Monday nights at 7:00 PM and provides free ESL courses for students and spouses of the University and Seminary. One-on-one tutoring is also available. For more info visit [www.nassauchristian.org](#) or [www.isiwebnet.net/sites/jdesai](#).

Other English language conversation groups and tutoring are available at the following locations:

PRINCETON YWCA ([www.ywcaprinceton.org](#))

PRINCETON PUBLIC LIBRARY ([www.princetonlibrary.org/connecting](#))

PRINCETON ADULT SCHOOL ([www.ssreg.com/princeton/classes](#))

PRINCETON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH ([www.princetonmeadowesl.org](#))

MERCER COUNTRY COMMUNITY COLLEGE ([www.mccc.edu/programs_english](#))

Visit the Office of Multicultural Relations at [www.ptsem.edu](#) for the most comprehensive list of resources.

Helpful Campus Numbers

Seminary Main Number	609.921.8300
Chapel Office	609.497.7890
Office of Student Counseling	609.497.7844
Office of Housing and Auxiliary Services.....	609.497.7730
Facilities Office	609.497.7778
Student Life Office.....	609.497.7880
Multicultural Relations Office	609.688.1941
Dupree Center for Children.....	609.951.9866
Seminary Libraries.....	609.497.7940
Theological Book Agency (Cokesbury)	609.497.7735
Admissions/Financial Aid Office.....	609.497.7805
Bursar's Office	609.497.7710
Continuing Education/Erdman Hall	609.497.7990
Educational Media	609.497.7900
Technology Help Desk.....	609.497.7812

Student and Staff addresses and phone numbers can be accessed by logging in to our.ptsem.edu using a valid PTS account (ask the student in your family ☺)

Emergency Contacts

Police/Fire/Rescue	Dial 911
PTS Security	609.497.7777
Security / Psychological Crisis (after hours)	
Main Campus	609.273.9727
CRW Campus.....	609.273.9726
Non-Emergency Numbers	
Princeton Police	609.924.4141
West Windsor Police (CRW).....	609.799.1222
Student Counseling Office.....	609.497.7844
Miscellaneous Emergency Numbers	
Princeton Primary & Urgent Care	609.919.0009
Princeton Medical Center ER	609.497.4431
Princeton House Admissions (Psychiatric)	609.497.3355
Capital Health Crisis Center.....	609.396.4357
Mercer County 24-hour Helpline	609.896.2120
Family Helpline / Parents Anonymous.....	1.800.843.5437
Crime Victim Services (statewide)	1.800.242.0804

Other Tips and Phone Numbers
