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# **The Voting Process**

Register Learn Vote



### Register

#### Register to Vote

- Register online <u>using a</u> <u>touch screen device</u> at <u>vote.upenn.edu/register</u>
- You may register either at home or in Pennsylvania, but not both

#### Required Information

- All you need to register is the last 4 digits of your Social Security Number or a valid State ID number, if you have one
- Your information will remain private

#### **Confirm Your Status**

- Already registered?
   Confirm your status in less than thirty seconds at vote.upenn.edu/register
- If you want to update your registration address, reregister

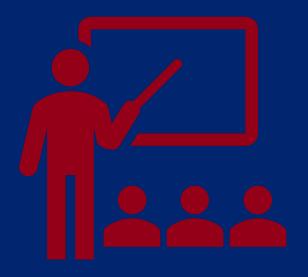
#### Registration Deadline

- Pennsylvania's registration deadline is 15 days before an election
- For deadlines in other states, visit vote.upenn.edu/events



### Learn

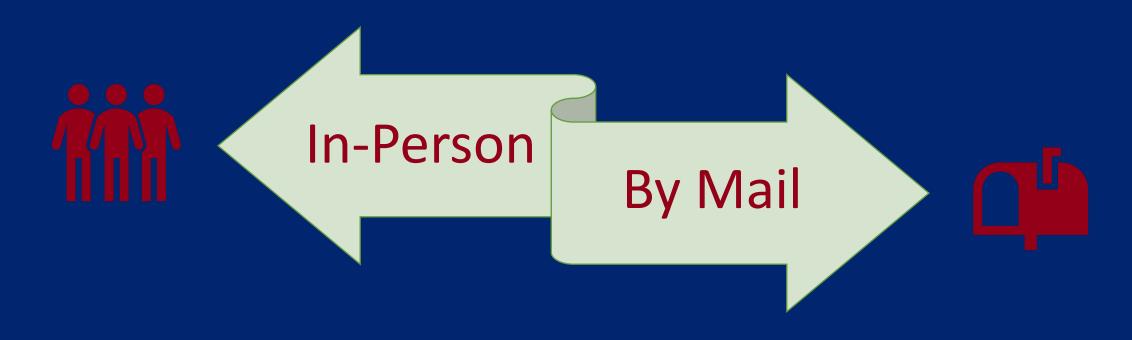
Visit vote.upenn.edu/sample-ballot to receive a sample ballot and learn more about who and what is on the ballot





### Vote

Voters may cast their ballots in one of two ways:





### Vote By Mail <u>before</u> Election Day

#### Eligibility

- Any Pennsylvania voter can vote by mail
- If you vote in another state, visit vote.upenn.edu/mailin-voting-at-home to confirm your eligibility

### Types of Ballots (in PA)

- Mail-in ballot (recommended)
- Absentee ballot
- Both are essentially the same, but technically absentee ballots require an excuse

#### Deadlines (in PA)

- The County must receive your request form by 5pm EST the Tuesday before an election so PLTV suggests sending it as soon as possible
- See
   <u>vote.upenn.edu/events</u>
   for deadlines in
   another states.



# Vote By Mail in Pennsylvania

Request your ballot

Mail a mail-in ballot request form as soon as possible. Learn more and apply online or by mail at <a href="https://www.vote.upenn.edu/vote-by-mail">vote.upenn.edu/vote-by-mail</a>.



Receive your ballot

Once your request has been processed, you will receive a ballot in the mail. Fill out the ballot following the included instructions.

Mail your ballot and request form to the Philadelphia County Board of Elections at 142 City Hall, 1400 John F. Kennedy Blvd, Philadelphia, PA 19107

Send in your ballot Mail your ballot back to the County Board of Elections so that it is <u>received</u> by Philadelphia no later than 8pm on Election Day.



# Vote By Mail at Home

Eligibility and deadlines for mail-in ballots vary by state. Visit vote.upenn.edu/mail-in-voting-at-home to learn more.





### Vote In-Person on Election Day

#### **Polling Place**

• Go to vote.upenn.edu/polling-places to locate your polling place

#### Bring...

- Your PennCard or other valid PA or Federal ID
- 2-3 friends, if they vote at the same location

#### **Election Day**

- Polls are open 7am-8pm
- Give yourself ample time to vote as lines may cause delays



### **Vote In-Person before Election Day**

Vote Early at Room 140 in Philadelphia City Hall

• Go to <u>vote.upenn.edu/early-voting-in-pennsylvania</u> to see other early voting sites (varies by election)

#### Bring...

- Your PennCard or other valid PA or Federal ID
- 2-3 friends, if they are Philadelphia voters

#### **Hours and Dates**

- You can vote anytime during regular business hours
- Visit <u>vote.upenn.edu/early-voting-in-Pennsylvania</u> to see when early voting begins (it varies)
- Early voting ends the Tuesday before election day (the mail-in ballot request deadline)



### **Get Involved**

Volunteer

**Fellowships** 

Receive Election Reminders





### **Common Concerns**

- Your financial aid is <u>not</u> impacted by where you register to vote.
- Being registered to vote at a different address from your parents will not prevent your parents from claiming you as a dependent on tax forms.
- Out of state students may register at their campus address, even if they live in a school dormitory.
- Registering to vote in Pennsylvania will <u>not</u> affect your car registration or driver's license.



### **Frequently Asked Questions**

- Can I register in PA if I'm already registered in another state? Yes, simply fill out a new registration form and do not vote at your old registration location.
- If I am registered in another state but want to vote in PA, do I submit a new registration or a change of address?

  Voter registration is state-by-state, so select new registration if this is your first time registering in PA.
- When is the voter registration deadline? *October 19th*.
- How do I change my voter registration address? It is easiest to submit a new registration at vote.upenn.edu/register.



### **Frequently Asked Questions**

- I live in a dorm, what is my address? Click here
- When is the mail-in ballot request deadline? Your request form must be <u>received</u> by 5pm the Tuesday before Election Day
- Do I need to bring an ID with me to vote? If it is your first time voting at the specific polling place, you need to bring your PennCard or another valid PA or Federal ID.

Have a question you don't see here? Email pennvotes@upenn.edu



### **Learn More**

Visit <u>vote.upenn.edu</u> for customized voter resources and information for the Penn community

Head straight to the registration portal by going to <a href="https://doi.org/bit.ly/upennregister">bit.ly/upennregister</a> (share this link with your friends!)

15 Days Before Election

Day

• PA registration deadline

5pm EST the Tuesday Before Election Day

 Deadline for a PA mail-in ballot request forms to be received

#### **Election Day**

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- Mail-in ballots must be received by 8pm



# Thank you and happy voting!



