

DRAGONS ABROAD 2007



Philadelphia Guide

INTRODUCTION

Hello and welcome to Philadelphia!

This guide is intended to help you get quickly acclimated to Drexel's campus and the surrounding areas. It has been compiled by your peers and host students from Dragons Abroad (www.pages.drexel.edu/~dsoda).

While this guide seems rather long, it's really just a start to what Philadelphia has to offer!

If you want some help deciding what to do, where to eat, or would just like some insider Philadelphian advice, ask your host student, or any of the members of Dragons Abroad.

Also, we would like to extend a special thanks to our friends at Campus Philly (<http://www.campusphilly.org/>) for their help!

NEIGHBORHOOD ABBREVIATIONS

UC (University City)	PD (Parkway District)
CC (Center City)	CT (Chinatown)
OC (Old City)	FP (Fairmount Park)

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NECESSITIES

MEDICAL

CVS Pharmacy [UC]

34th & Walnut St.
(215) 662-0406

Doctors

www.thecityofphiladelphia.com/physician/index.html

Drexel Health Services [UC]

\$10 fee.

3201 Arch St. (215) 895-5800

SUPERMARKETS

Fresh Grocer [UC]

Open 24 Hours
40th & Walnut St.

711 [UC]

Basic Convenience Store
34th & Lancaster Ave.

Trader Joe's

Gourmet groceries
21st and Market St.

Wawa [UC]

Basics and free ATM use
36th & Chestnut St.

SAFETY

EMERGENCY ANYWHERE: CALL 9-1-1

3201 Arch Street, Suite 350

Non-Emergency (215) 895-1550

Emergency (215) 895-2222

Shuttle & Escorts (215) 895-2822

Notice the **large blue emergency poles with emergency call**

boxes on Drexel's campus. Additionally, Drexel's Campus

Security force patrols the campus and some areas just outside.

CLOTHING AND OTHER GENERIC NEEDS

The Gallery at Market East [CC]

A mall in Center City. Food. Clothing. Toothbrushes. Everything.
www.galleryatmarketeast.com/

NECESSITIES (CONTINUED)

BANKING

The AJDrexel Bank has ATMs located throughout Drexel's campus. Most ATMS charge a \$2 fee, unless you have an account with them **Wawa** (36th & Chestnut St.) does not have a surcharge.

Sovereign Bank [UC]
31st & Market St.

Commerce Bank [UC]
37th & Walnut St.

LAUNDROMATS

Pugh's Way
638 N. 39th St.

Tiong Kong Thye
3937 Lancaster Ave.

HAIR CUTS

Jean Madeleine Aveda Institute [UC]
Cheap cuts by student hairdressers.
40th & Chestnut St.
www.jeanmadeline.com

HOTELS

Sheraton UC Hotel [UC]
36th & Chestnut St.
www.starwoodhotels.com

Bank St. Youth Hostel [OC]
32 S. Bank St.
www.hi-dvc.org

RELIGION

Drexel Hillel
www.phillyhillel.org/campus/drexel

Drexel Islamic Society
[www.pages.drexel.edu/
~dsoisd/](http://www.pages.drexel.edu/~dsoisd/)

Masjid Al Jamia
4228 Walnut St.

Drexel Newman Center
33rd & Chestnut St.
www.drexel.edu/newmancenter

LOCAL KNOWLEDGE

WEATHER

Philadelphia gets a full range of weather! Here's just an approximate summary. There are websites to give more accurate info.

www.weather.com (zip code: 19104)

Spring (April-June): Rain! 16°C - 21°C - 26°C

Summer (July-September): 33°C - 26°C

Autumn (October-December): Rain! 21°C - 15°C - 10°C

Winter (January-March): Snow! 10°C - 4°C - 0°C

CHEESESTEAKS

Philly is home to the cheesesteak. Shredded meat with cheese (provolone or cheesewiz). Find locations in the “Eating” section.

FIRST FRIDAY [OC]

On the first Friday of *every* month, 5-9pm, all the art galleries in Old City are free and open to the public. Old City is generally located at 2nd & 3rd St. between Market & Race St. It makes for a great night!

www.oldcityarts.org

READING TERMINAL MARKET [CC]

An indoor market with lots of fresh food. The Pennsylvania Dutch Merchants are there Wed 8am-3pm & Thurs-Sat 8am-5pm.

12th & Arch St.

www.readingterminalmarket.org

GETTING TO NEW YORK CITY

Chinatown Buses and Greyhound (e-tickets) offer cheap, round-trip tickets to NYC. See “Distance Travel” for more information.

GETTING TO ATLANTIC CITY

You can take a NJTransit train direct to Atlantic City (which has casinos and a boardwalk). See www.njtransit.com

PHILADELPHIA FILM FESTIVAL

Philly has an annual international film festival in April.

www.phillyfests.com

PHILADELPHIA INTERNATIONAL HOUSE

Home to several international events, movies, etc.

37th & Chestnut St.

www.ihousephilly.org

COMMUNICATION

CELL PHONES

Prepaid cell phones are offered by various providers in the area.

Cingular/AT&T: www.cingular.com

T-mobile: www.t-mobile.com

Verizon: www.VerizonWireless.com

Sprint: www.sprint.com

PHONE CALLS

Everywhere (free): Skype www.skype.com

Turkey: www.tulumba.com

POST OFFICE

Philadelphia University City Post Office [UC]

2970 Market St.

(215) 386-9032

SHIPPING (PACKAGES)

Campus Copy Center [UC]

Ship packages using a variety of methods.

37th & Walnut St. and 39th & Walnut St.

<http://www.campuscopycenter.com/>

UPS [UC]

3720 Spruce St.

FAX MACHINES

Faxing facilities are available at most any copy shop. See the section entitled “Academics.”

INTERNET

Personal Computing

Drexel University dormitories offer a LAN connection, but there is also a free wireless connection on Drexel University’s campus. See www.drexel.edu/irt for more information.

Computing Labs [UC]

Korman Center

The Quad (34th and Market St.)

Drexel University Library

34th & Market St.

DREXEL UNIVERSITY

STUDY ABROAD OFFICE [UC]

MacAlister 3019

33rd & Chestnut St.

<http://www.drexel.edu/provost/uwide/studyabroad/>

VISITOR'S GUIDE TO DREXEL'S CAMPUS

Maps, directions, & places of interest

www.drexel.edu/univrel/news_information/interest.asp

DIVISION OF STUDENT LIFE

Departments, Services, Student Organizations, Student Health, & Student Handbook.

www.drexel.edu/studentlife

DINING SERVICES

Weekly menus, events, and schedules.

www.drexel.edu/studentlife/docs/dining/home.html

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY [UC]

Awareness, Crime Prevention, and Emergency Call Boxes Info

3201 Arch Street, Suite 350

Non-Emergency (215) 895-1550

Emergency (215) 895-2222

Shuttle & Escorts (215) 895-2822

<http://www.drexel.edu/publicsafety/>

DREXEL ATHLETICS

News, schedules, and rosters

www.drexel.edu/sports

UNIVERSITY COURSE CATALOG

www.drexel.edu/provost/catalog

DREXEL BOOKSTORE [UC]

33rd & Chestnut St.

(215) 895-2858

www.drexel.bkstore.com

ACADEMICS

BOOK STORES

www.thecityofphiladelphia.com/book/index.html

Drexel Bookstore [UC]

33rd & Chestnut St.
(215) 895-2858
www.drexel.bkstore.com

UPenn Barnes & Noble Books

[UC]
3601 Walnut St.
(215) 898-7595

PHOTOCOPY CENTERS

24 Hour Kinko's Copies [CC]

www.kinkos.com
2001 Market St.
(215) 561-5170

1201 Market St.
(215) 923-2520

Drexel Copy Shop [UC]

MacAlister Hall
(215) 895-2898
www.drexel.edu/depts/copyshop/services.html

Campus Copy Center [UC]

37th & Chestnut
(215) 386-6410

Bored?

Want the inside scoop on Philadelphia?

Check out Campus Philly!



<http://www.campusphilly.org>




**CAMPUS
 PHILLY**



- *Store List
- Best Buy
 - Home Depot
 - IKEA
 - Lowe's
 - Super Fresh
 - Target
 - Walmart

SIGHTSEEING

Below are listed a few of Philadelphia's famous historic sites (many of them are free!).

Philadelphia Online Visitor Information Center

www.independencpark.org/attractions/localinterest.htm

Philadelphia City Hall [CC]

Tours of City Hall run on weekdays starting at 12:30pm.

www.phila.gov/property/virtualcityhall/home.asp

Independence Hall [OC]

Visit where the Declaration of Independence was signed.

www.nps.gov/archive/inde/indep-hall.html

The Liberty Bell [OC]

www.nps.gov/archive/inde/liberty-bell.html

Franlin Court [OC]

www.nps.gov/archive/inde/Franklin_Court/Pages/index.html

Betsy Ross House [OC]

The American Flag Seamstress' former family home.

www.betsyrosshouse.org

Elfreth's Alley [OC]

www.elfrethsalley.org

Lights of Liberty Show [OC]

A historic walking sound-and-light show.

(215)-LIBERTY

www.lightsofliberty.org

76 Carriage Company

Take a horse drawn carriage tour through Philly's historic sites.

www.phillytour.com

(215)923-8516

ENTERTAINMENT

MUSEUMS

Philadelphia Museum of Art [PD] Franklin Institute [PD]

“Donation Day” is free Sundays. Philadelphia’s Science Museum.

www.philamuseum.org

www.fi.edu

The Academy of Natural Sciences [PD]

www.ansp.org

THE ARTS

The Kimmel Center (www.kimmelcenter.org)

Philadelphia Operahouse (www.operaphilly.com)

Hot Soup Glass Studio (www.hotsoupstudio.com)

The Clay Studio (www.theclaystudio.com)

Theatres

Arden St. Theatre (www.ardentheatre.org)

Walnut St. Theatre (www.walnutstreettheatre.org)

Wilma Theatre (www.wilmatheatre.org)

MUSIC

Ticketmaster (*To purchase tickets*)

www.ticketmaster.com

The Electric Factory [??]

421 North 7th St.

Wachovia Center [SP]

www.comcast.spectacor.org

The Trocadero [CT]

Smaller, funkier venue.

www.thetroc.com

The Mann Center [FP]

Oftentimes classic music.

www.manncenter.org

MOVIE THEATERS

The Bridge [UC]

40th & Walnut St.

www.thebridgcinema.com

Ritz Movie Theaters [OC]

(2) Old City

www.ritztheaters.com

UA Riverview Stadium

1400 South Columbus Blvd.

ENTERTAINMENT (CONTINUED)

BOWLING ALLEYS

Lucky Strike Lanes [CC]
1336 Chestnut St.
www.bowlluckystrike.com/

Strikes Bowling Lounge [UC]
40th & Locust St.
strikesbowlinglounge.com

ICE SKATING

Class of 1923 Arena [UC]
3130 Walnut St.
(215) 898-1923

RiverRink
Outdoors and open Dec-March.
Riverfront (see website directions).
www.riverrink.com

UNIVERSITY CITY ARTS LEAGUE

Sign up for arts classes, just for a weekend or for several weeks!
4226 Spruce St.
(215) 382-7811
www.ucartsleague.com

SHOPPING

SOUTH ST.

On South St. between 2nd and 5th St. there are various shops, bars, record stores, and eateries.

RITTENHOUSE SQUARE

There is an upscale shopping district just East of Rittenhouse Square on Walnut St. beginning around 17th or 18th St.

LOCAL MALLS [CC]

The Gallery at Market East
9th & Market St.
www.galleryatmarketeast.com/

The Shops at Liberty Place
16th & Chestnut St.

DIRECTORY OF STORES

- ucnet.com/ucdirectory/index.htm

EATING

CHEESESTEAKS

Pat's King of Steaks [SP]
1237 E. Passyunk
www.patskingofsteaks.com

Geno's Steaks [SP]
1219 S. 9th St.
www.genosteaks.com

Jim's Steaks [SP]
4th & South St.
www.jimssteaks.com

LUNCH TRUCKS [UC]

Quick and cheap! Find them between the Main Building and Bossone Center, or all over the city!

CLOSE TO CAMPUS

Ed's Pizza & Rana Middle Eastern Cuisine [UC]
35th & Lancaster Ave.
www.ucnet.com/eds/

The Bubble House [UC]
34th & Sansom St.

Powelton Pizza [UC]
36th & Lancaster Ave.
215-387-1213

New Deck Tavern [UC]
34th & Sansom St.

White Dog Cafe [UC]
34th & Sansom St.

Drexel Pizza [UC]
Near 33rd & Arch St.

Mad 4 Mex [UC]
34th & Moravian St.

Zocalo Mexican Restaurant
35th & Lancaster Ave.

Lemongrass Thai Restaurant
36th & Lancaster Ave.

CHINATOWN

Located from Arch to Vine St. (North-South) and between 8th & 11th St. (East-West), Chinatown is a great place to find Chinese restaurants, markets, bakeries, and shops.

24-HOUR DINING

Dunkin Donuts & McDonald's [UC]
30th St. Train Station
30th & Market St.

Philly Diner [UC]
39th & Walnut St.

DRAGONS ABROAD RECOMMENDS

Capo Giro's Gelato [CC]

Iris recommends CapoGiro's Gelato for all your gelato needs (like ice cream, but even tastier!)

13th & Sansom St. and 20th and Sansom St.

<http://capogirogelato.com>

Monk's Café[CC] (Belgian Beer Emporium & Restaurant)

Pietro recommends this top 10 rated bar with great mussels!

16th & Chestnut St.

www.MonksCafe.com

New Delhi [UC]

Regina recommends this Best Indian buffet in town!

40th & Chestnut St.

(215) 386-1941

Karma Restaraunt & Bar [OC]

Pietro recommends this Indian restaurant of choice for Indians.

Chestnut St. between Front St. & 2nd St.

www.TheKarmaRestaurant.com

Brasil's Nightclub [OC]

Regina recommends Latin Dancing in old city at Brasil's.

Chestnut St. between Front St. & 2nd St.

Konak Restaurant & Bar [OC]

Pietro recommends this little taste of Turkey in Philly. (or there's

Divan Turkish Kitchen at Carpenter & 22nd St.)

Vine St. between 2nd & 3rd St.

www.KonakTurkishRestaurant.com

Cafe Habana [CC]

Classic cuban food, and turns into a dance floor after dinner!

102 S 21st St.

(215) 561-2822

Sabrina's Cafe [SP]

Charming neighborhood BYOB that offers creative comfort food!

910 Christian Street

(215) 574-1599

Mural Tour

Regina likes the walking tours of Philly's famous murals.

<http://www.muralarts.org/tours/>

LOCAL TRAVEL

SEPTA (www.septa.org) operates Philadelphia's public transportation systems. Most require a token (or \$2.00 exactly) or a Transpass. Transpasses are expensive and meant mainly for commuters.

BUS

SEPTA's buses cover a wide spread of Philadelphia. You can read more about their services at the SEPTA website:
http://www.septa.org/service/bus_schedules_split.html

SUBWAY AND LIGHT RAIL

Serves locations in Center City as well as Philadelphia's sports stadiums. Pay for the light rail upon boarding.

Subway Map & Schedule

The nearest stop is "the El" (or blueline) at 34th & Market St.

Tokens may be purchased at these locations:

(Blue) Market St: 2nd, 5th, 8th, 11th, 13th, 15th, 30th & 69th.

(Orange): Broad & Walnut St.

www.septa.org/service/sub_schedules.html

BICYCLE

Check out the **Bike Church** for used bikes.

3916 Locust Walk (St. Mary's Parish Hall)

www.pages.drexel.edu/~tej23/bikechurch/bc.html

TAXI

Priced on the distance of the trip. Hail on the street or call ahead.

Olde City Taxi - (215) 338-0838

Quaker City Cab - (215) 728-8000

Liberty Cab Co. - (215) 389-8000

TO NEW JERSEY

New Jersey is right across the river from Philadelphia and is home to an aquarium, a minor league baseball stadium, as well as the Tweeter Center (a music venue). You will need to take a PATCO high speedline train towards Lindenwold (purchase a ticket at any PATCO station).

PATCO

The closest stop is at 16th & Locust St., but the 8th St. stop is also convenient. Check out the website for more info.

www.ridepatco.org

DISTANCE TRAVEL

AIRPLANE

Philadelphia International Airport

Try budget airlines Southwest or Airtran for cheap domestic flights.
www.phl.org

TO AND FROM THE AIRPORT

Taxi

\$25.00 flat rate from the airport to Center City Philadelphia

Train

SEPTA runs a train (called the R1) from the airport to University City and 30th St. Station for around \$5.50 each way.

TRAIN

Philadelphia's major train station is close to Drexel's campus at 30th & Market St (you can't miss it).

Amtrak

Amtrak offers locations all over the USA, but can be expensive.
www.amtrak.com

NJTransit

This local trainline goes to New York City and Atlantic City.
www.njtransit.com

SEPTA

SEPTA serves Philadelphia and the Philadelphia suburbs.
www.septa.org

BUS

Greyhound

Offers cheap e-savers tickets on their website. The Greyhound Bus Station is located near Chinatown at 10th & Filbert St.
www.greyhound.com

Chinatown Bus

The cheapest way to get to any of the cities (and their Chinatowns) on the East Coast. Departs from 11th & Filbert St.
www.2000coach.com



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<http://www.pages.drexel.edu/~dsoda>

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