Greetings,

On behalf the Princeton Institute for International and Regional Studies (PIIRS), welcome to Princeton!

You already received your appointment package from the Dean of the Faculty and your Princeton user ID (NetID). At the beginning of your official appointment, you will receive the “New Hire Welcome Packet” issued by the Office of Human Resources.

Below please find some additional information that you might find helpful in settling in and throughout your time at Princeton, however, please feel free to contact me with any questions you might have.

Best regards,

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PERSONNEL MATTERS

Your Appointment and Required Procedures upon Arrival

Your appointment is handled by three departments: the Princeton Institute for International and Regional Studies (PIIRS), the Dean of the Faculty, and the Human Resources Department of Princeton University. The Dean of Faculty issues your appointment letter. Please refer to this letter and the “Procedures Upon Arrival for New Faculty and Academic Professionals” you received along with it for the necessary administrative steps you will need to take within days upon your arrival.

You will be paid on a monthly basis at the end of each month. In order to receive a salary from Princeton University, however, you will need to complete an I-9 Employment Authorization Form in person within three business days of your hire date with Human Resources, 4 New South Bldg. Please refer to the following link for the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services for the list of acceptable documents you must bring in order to evidence your identity and employment authorization: https://www.uscis.gov/i-9.

HR Self-Service Website

At the beginning of your appointment time, you will receive an information folder from Human Resources (HR) that contains forms, benefits information, and instructions on how to obtain a Princeton ID card and parking permit, the latter if needed. Contact information for HR can be found here: http://www.princeton.edu/hr/progserv/contact/. The package also outlines how to set up your
benefits, emergency contact information, and other features related to your employment online on HR’s self-service website at: http://www.princeton.edu/hr/progserv/sds/applications/selfservice.html.

Visa Matters and Orientation

Please note that Princeton visitors to the U.S. in J-1 status are required by law to check in with the Davis International Center upon arrival in the U.S. to have their visa record validated. The Davis International Center is in the same building as PIIRS, the Louis A. Simpson International Building, on Level A.

Your legal status in the U.S. can be in jeopardy if your visa record is not validated in a timely manner. This can be done online https://davisic.princeton.edu/new-students-scholars/new-scholars-and-faculty or in person, possibly at the time of one of the orientations the Davis Center regularly hosts for international scholars. Their website lists upcoming dates and times for these and provides up-to-date information on visa matters, on obtaining a social security number or NJ driver’s license, the Glacier system used for taxation, and other topics of interest for international visitors and their partners and families. While holders of H1-B visas are not required to check-in, we strongly recommend that they also get in touch with the Davis Center staff.

All J-1 Exchange Visitors please also note the following: Prior to any international travel, please contact the Davis Center – your visa sponsor – to have your form DS-2019 signed, to permit reentry into the United States. A signed DS-2019 and a valid visa stamp are required for reentry. Further, prior to giving a lecture at an institution outside of Princeton that involves any sort of compensation, please provide the Davis Center with information about the invitation so the appropriate documentation can be completed.

NetID / PIIRS Computing Resources and Guidelines

Three months prior to your official appointment, you receive information on your NetID, a temporary password and a web address to set up your profile. Before you can log on to a Princeton University computer, you will need to set up your profile, i.e., you cannot use your temporary password to log on to a university machine. Upon your arrival, you will receive the “PIIRS Computing Resources and Guidelines” for information on computing set-up and technical assistance during your stay.

FINANCIAL MATTERS

Please see the PIIRS Institute & Finance Manager, Karen Koller, for financial matters:

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UNIVERSITY INFORMATION

You can search for anything related to Princeton University by using the search box ( icon in upper right corner) including people, contact information, departments, etc. on the homepage www.princeton.edu.
LIBRARY ACCESS

Access and library privileges are accorded to anyone who has a valid Princeton University campus identification card with photograph (TigerCard). Members of the university community include spouses/domestic partners and children of university employees. Visit Firestone Library's website for more information on its services: http://libweb.princeton.edu/services/access.php

Within the timeframe of your appointment, your Princeton ID will allow you to use the library and borrow books. Please contact the library access office staff or Rachel about library privilege options for any period outside of your official appointment.

There is more information about obtaining your TigerCard in the “Procedures Upon Arrival for New Faculty and Academic Professionals”. Family Cards can be obtained by completing the online application.

EVENTS AND CALENDARS

The University has several calendars that will be of interest to you, including the public events calendar, calendars of other programs and departments, and academic calendar. Some of these can be found here (others can be found on the relevant department or program websites): https://www.princeton.edu/events.

As a visitor to PIIRS, you will automatically be included in announcements for the many lectures and conferences hosted by PIIRS. For the PIIRS website and calendar of events see: http://piirs.princeton.edu/news-events/events

PIIRS OFFICE MATTERS

The PIIRS office suite is located in the Louis A. Simpson International Building. Please check in with Rachel Golden upon your arrival in Princeton, she will provide you with building details.

Please note that Princeton’s Public Safety Office can assist you, should you lock yourself out. In non-emergencies, it can be reached at 609-258-1000 (or simply 8-1000 from a campus phone).

All incoming mail will go to PIIRS main office. Both on-campus and off-campus outgoing mail will also be picked up from the PIIRS suite. The tutorial for sending out research related mail can be found here: http://www.princeton.edu/printing/mmtutorial.html. The online meter request form tool can be found here: http://www.princeton.edu/printing/meteringrequest.pdf. Please see Rachel for your chart string and account information. For any personal mail, please use the U.S. Post Office at 259 Nassau Street.

Your telephone extension is noted on your phone. Instructions for the use of phones and the set-up of voice mail can be found here: https://princeton.videoshowcase.net/princeton-8861-ip-phone-tutorial. You may arrange for electronic voice messaging, i.e., receive notification of phone calls in your email inbox. Online information on the voicemail system can also be found here: https://princeton.videoshowcase.net/princeton-unity-connection-voicemail-tutorial.

Telephone quick guide:
- Campus phone numbers begin with (609) 258-XXXX. The last 4 digits form your extension.
- Phone calls within the university: dial 8, then the 4-digit extension
- For calls outside the university: dial 9 - 1, then 3-digit area code and 7-digit number.
Please note that the university does not cover the expense of personal long distance or international calls. For those purposes, we recommend the use of personal cellphones, calling cards, Skype or similar such services.

Useful phone numbers:
- For police, fire department and ambulance, that is, in true EMERGENCIES call 911. You can reach 911 from your office phone or any other phone by dialing 911. There is no need to dial 8 or 9 first.
- Princeton Police Department for non-emergencies: (609) 921-2100. From campus phones dial 9-1-609-921-2100.
- Campus Public Safety Department: Again, in true EMERGENCIES, calling from campus phones dial 911, from off-campus or cell phones dial 609-258-3333.
- For non-urgent matters, call the Campus Public Safety 24-hr. desk from campus phones at 8-1000.
- Office of Information Technology (OIT) help desk for software & hardware support: 8-4357.
- Tiger Campus Shuttle information: 8-8349.
- Contact information for Princeton University departments, institutes, and people, can be found here http://www.princeton.edu/main/tools/contacts/ or via the search button on the university’s home page. For anyone affiliated with PIIRS: http://piirs.princeton.edu/about-piirs/people-0

There is a copier for your use located in the PIIRS suite. Please see Rachel for your access code. The machine functions as a scanner as well and can send scans to your email address.

Office supplies are located in the supply closet. Please let Rachel know when and if you need additional items.

ON-CAMPUS EATERIES

There are several on-campus cafeterias: The Atrium Café located adjoining the PIIRS suite, Frist Student Center has a large cafeteria and Café Vivian, there are cafeterias in Chancellor Green, the Shultz Dining Café in Robertson Hall, and Prospect House has a downstairs café for faculty and staff (Tap Room), as well as the more formal Garden Room restaurant upstairs. You can purchase “Paw Points” onto your PU ID card, your “TigerCard,” and then use it as a debit card to pay in campus cafeterias. Other means of payment, including credit cards and debit cards) are possible as well.

MEDICAL CARE, UNIVERSITY HEALTH SERVICES & THE GYM

You can enroll in health insurance through the university upon arrival, unless you opted for coverage through your home institution. Details can be found in your HR package or on the Princeton benefits webpage. Please note that the on-campus McCosh Health Center offers limited services to faculty and staff. It usually provides flu shots to staff and families in the fall. There is also a physical therapist located in the basement of McCosh. For medical treatment you will need to see an off-campus physician. Your health insurance provider (likely Aetna) will have an online listing of doctors in the Princeton area and will ask you to choose a primary care physician. We encourage you to establish a relationship with a physician and a dentist in the Princeton area before you need their services in an emergency. Many physicians and dentists have a heavy patient load and may be unable or unwilling to treat you unless they have already seen you in a non-emergency situation.
Urgent Care Information


Some options are available if a medical condition arises that is not a true emergency yet urgently needs medical attention. However, you should check with your insurance company beforehand whether they will cover a visit to those providers, and as for the hospital and doctors, be prepared to cover a co-pay amount:

1. Princeton Primary and Urgent Care Center is located at 707 Alexander Road, Princeton (on the other side of Route 1). Their telephone number is (609) 919-0009. Their hours are Monday-Friday, 8am to 6pm, and Saturday, 9am to 12 noon. Further information about this practice, directions and the insurances they accept may be found on their website: [http://www.ppucc.com](http://www.ppucc.com). They do not see children.

2. Minute Clinic at CVS Princeton State Hwy. 206 or at CVS Plainsboro located inside CVS/pharmacy #5871, 881 State Highway 206, Princeton, NJ 08540, 609-683-3680, or CVS/pharmacy #817, 4 Schalks Crossing Rd, Plainsboro, NJ, 08536, 609-275-9312. Clinic Hours: Mon – Fri 8:30am to 7:30pm, Sat 9am to 5:30pm, Sun 9am to 4:30pm. These are walk-in medical clinics are staffed by nurse practitioners and physician assistants who provide treatment for common family illnesses and injuries, administer vaccinations, conduct physicals and wellness screenings, and offer monitoring for chronic conditions. Patients are responsible for either their insurance co-pay or the price listed on the Minute Clinic menu of fees. They will see adults and children. For more information and directions see: [http://www.minuteclinic.com/about/](http://www.minuteclinic.com/about/).

3. St. Peter’s Urgent Care Center located at 1378 Route 206, Suite 11, Skillman, NJ in the Village Shoppes at Montgomery, tel. (609) 497-4597. No appointment is necessary and their hours are 8am to 8pm Monday through Friday, 10am to 6pm Weekends and Holidays. They accept most insurances and major credit cards and will see children and adults. Please contact them to find out if they accept your insurance plan. For further information and directions see: [http://www.saintpetershcs.com/urgentcare/](http://www.saintpetershcs.com/urgentcare/). NJ Transit bus #605 takes you to the Montgomery Shopping Center.

4. Doctors Express located at 2222 Route 33, Hamilton Shops, Hamilton, NJ 08690, tel. (609) 297-7520. No appointment is necessary and their hours are Monday-Friday, 8am to 8pm, Saturday & Sunday, 9am to 6pm. For directions and further information see [www.doctorsexpress.com/hamilton](http://www.doctorsexpress.com/hamilton). They will see adults and children.

5. InFocus Urgent Care at Windsor Plaza, Store No. 2, 64 Princeton-Hightstown Rd. West Windsor, NJ 08550. Tel: 1.609.799.7009. Email: info@infocusurgentcare.com or [http://infocusurgentcare.com/](http://infocusurgentcare.com/)

Pharmacies or Drug Stores in Princeton

- CVS (172 Nassau Street, 609-683-1337) is a source for both non-prescription and prescription drugs.
- Princeton University Pharmacy (36 University Place, 609-924-4545) has next-day delivery Monday through Friday.
- Santé Integrative Pharmacy (200 Nassau Street, 609-921-8822) with pharmacists, nutritionists, herbalists on location; [https://santeintegrativepharmacy.com/](https://santeintegrativepharmacy.com/)
- Walgreens (formerly Rite Aid) is located in the Princeton Shopping Center (609-924-6125)
Dillon Gym

You and your partners/family members are eligible for membership to the Dillon Gym on campus, which has a variety of workout equipment, a pool (another pool option is the Olympic-size DeNunzio Pool), classes, etc. Your Princeton ID is needed for access to Dillon. More info on enrollment and schedules here: https://campusrec.princeton.edu/

ORIENTATION TO UNIVERSITY AND THE TOWN OF PRINCETON

The orange key tour is the university’s official tour. It offers an introduction to the campus and the university’s history: https://admission.princeton.edu/visit-us

Interactive map of Princeton University: http://www.princeton.edu/Epumap


SOME SOCIAL AND CULTURAL RESOURCES ON AND OFF-CAMPUS

For information regarding social and cultural events, visit the Davis International Center online at: https://daviscic.princeton.edu/. The International Center is also a good resource for foreign partners and families. Additionally, there are a number of international campus organizations found at: https://daviscic.princeton.edu/about-us/organizations-funding.

More information about the Carl A. Fields Center for Equality and Cultural Understanding can be found here: http://fieldscenter.princeton.edu/. The Women’s Center information is located here: http://women.princeton.edu/. For info on community groups, art, theater, and music, visit the Campus Life website at https://www.princeton.edu/one-community.

The Princeton University Art Museum on campus has a notable collection and regularly special exhibits and events, its entrance is free: http://artmuseum.princeton.edu/.

The Arts Council of Princeton, 102 Witherspoon Street, 609-924-8777, diagonally across from the Public Library, offers a wide variety of art classes and workshops for children, teenagers, and adults, as well as cultural events.

The McCarter Theatre is the region’s leading performing arts center with an internationally acclaimed Music Series of classical artists, World Music Series, spotlighting innovative and diverse artists from around the globe, and a Jazz Series, starring renowned musicians. McCarter Theatre is located at 91 University Place and offers a full season of theater, music, and dance productions. For ticket information and reservations, call the box office at 609-258-2787.

There are several local movie theaters, though only one within walking distance from campus, the Garden Theatre (160 Nassau Street, Princeton, 609-683-4656). Other area locations include: AMC MarketFair (MarketFair on Route 1, Princeton, 609-520-8700), AMC Theatres Hamilton 24 (325 Sloan Avenue and Quakerbridge Road, Hamilton, 609-890-4900), Hillsborough Cinemas (111 Raider Road, Hillsborough, 908-874-8181), and Montgomery Cinemas (1325 Route 206, Skillman 609-924-7444).
COMMUNITY INFORMATION


There are two local papers, Town Topics and Princeton Packet, which concentrate on local news. In addition, US 1 is a regional freebie you can find in newsstands and online. The Daily Princetonian (the “Prince”) is the student newspaper. All of them offer local news, events, and recommendations for places to eat, etc.

Town Topics: http://www.towntopics.com/jul0710/TT_Index.php
Princeton Packet: http://www.centraljersey.com/
US 1: http://www.princetoninfo.com/
Princeton Online is another resource for businesses, services and events in the area: http://www.princetonol.com/.

BOOKS AND MAGAZINES

There are several local resources for books, magazines, and newspapers in the Princeton area: Labyrinth Books (122 Nassau Street, 609-497-1600), Princeton University Store (36 University Place, 609-921-8500) and Barnes & Noble (Princeton Marketfair on Route 1, 609-897-9250). In addition, the Kiosk at Palmer Square sells domestic and international newspapers & magazines, and maps.

PRINCETON PUBLIC LIBRARY

As a university employee, you are eligible to receive a free library card, as are all Princeton residents. The library has an extensive fiction section and a DVD collection that includes foreign films, and offers many events for adults and children: www.princetonlibrary.org.

TRANSPORTATION

For getting around, please see the university website for visitors with sections on air, train (the New Jersey Transit Northeast Corridor Line and Amtrak), and bus travel (local NJ Transit, lines 605 and 606), including schedules, and the free Tiger Transit Shuttle, as well as campus maps: http://www.princeton.edu/main/visiting/

For further mass transit information, a bike sharing program, a car sharing program and parking see: http://www.princeton.edu/transportation/. Here you will find information and schedules for the TigerTransit, a free university bus shuttle service around campus and to shopping malls. Princeton Township also offers the Free B, a bus that runs through Princeton and to the train stations on weekdays at limited hours http://www.princetonnj.gov/freeB-jitney-shuttle.html.

Details on biking, including rentals & repairs: http://www.princeton.edu/transportation/bikewalk.html. Bicycles can be purchased, besides at large retailers and sports stores, here: The Bike Exchange, located in Trenton, NJ, sells refurbished bicycles with all proceeds benefitting the Boys and Girls Clubs of Trenton: http://www.bikeexchangeni.org/. Two local shops: Jay's Cycles (249 Nassau Street, 609-924-7233) and Kopp's Cycles (38 Spring Street, 609-924-1052).
Some local taxi companies are:
Associated Taxi Stand (609) 924-1222
B-1 Taxi & Limo Service (609) 921-2667
Princeton Discount Taxi Service (609) 924-6645
Princeton Economy Taxi & Limo Service (609) 799-9180 or (866) 931-8294
R&J Princeton Taxi 609.510.5602
Taxis stands are at the Princeton Junction and Princeton train stations and at the taxi stand on Nassau Street across from Palmer Square.
Visitors have also increasingly used Uber: https://www.uber.com/

SHOPPING

You will find many retail and dining locations along Nassau Street, Palmer Square and Witherspoon Street in downtown Princeton. Some stores close to campus are:

CVS drugstore/pharmacy (172 Nassau Street, also has a variety of packaged foods, milk & juice, etc.).
D’Angelo Italian Market (35 Spring Street, 609-921-0404) sells Italian specialty groceries, including pastas, prepared foods, pizzas, salads and pastries.
Nassau Street Seafood and Produce Company (256 Nassau Street, 609-921-0620) fresh seafood, fresh fruit and vegetables and prepared foods.
Olive’s (22 Witherspoon St., 609 921-1569) offers a large variety of hot and cold takeout food and baked goods.
Terra Momo Bread Company (74 Witherspoon St., 609-688-0188): fresh bread and pastries, also sandwiches.
Wawa Market (609-921-3677), open 24 hours, is a convenience store located near the Princeton (“Dinky”) train station. Wawa sells sandwiches, delicatessen items, telephone debit cards, some basic groceries, and is equipped with an automatic teller machine (ATM).
Whole Earth Center (360 Nassau Street, near Harrison St., 609-924-7429): Organic food supermarket www.wholeearthcenter.com/.

The only large supermarket in Princeton proper, McCaffrey’s, is in the Princeton Shopping Center on North Harrison Street (http://www.mccaffreys.com/, 609-683-1600). It can be reached by NJ Transit bus lines 605 and 606; walking or biking there from campus is certainly feasible. McCaffrey’s has a full range of grocery items and prepared foods. Other retailers in the Princeton Shopping Center include: Blue Ridge Mountain Sports, Bon Appetit gourmet shop, Claridge Wine and Liquor, Rite Aid, Great Clips Haircuttery, Metropolis Spa Salon, Signature Cleaners, and Ace Hardwares and Housewares, among others. The Princeton-Nassau Pediatrics group is also located in the Princeton Shopping Center.

The following shopping centers can be reached by Tiger Transit at certain times (Saturday shopper), by NJ Transit buses, or by car:

Shops in the Princeton MarketFair mall (3535 Route 1, by bike path reachable via Alexander Road & Canal Point Boulevard) include: Anthropologie, Barnes & Noble Bookstore, Chico’s, Eastern Mountain Sports, Gap, Banana Republic, LensCrafters, Pottery Barn, some restaurants and an AMC movie theater. The nearby Windsor Green Shopping Center (further south on Route 1) includes a large Whole Foods supermarket and a Staples office supplies store. On the other side of Route 1, you will find a Trader Joe’s Grocery and Lowe’s Hardware stores.

Nassau Park Pavilion (US Rt. 1/Quaker Bridge Road) has many types of stores, including Best Buy, Dick’s Sporting Goods, Home Depot, Kohl’s, Sam’s Club, Target, WalMart and the supermarket Wegman’s.
Nearby Mercer Mall includes the supermarket Shoprite and DSW, a large discount shoe retailer. Quaker Bridge Mall (Route 1/Quakerbridge Road) is the area's largest shopping center for clothing. Stores include: Macy's, Sears, JC Penny, Lord & Taylor, Sur La Table, plus a number of specialty shops, cell phone retailers Verizon and T-Mobile, and an Apple Store.

Alternatively, second-hand items can be found on the Tiger Trades website, on the central NJ Craigslist, or the Skillman furniture store on Alexander Rd. For those without a car, several local supermarkets, as well as Peapod www.peapod.com/, Freshdirect https://www.freshdirect.com/index.jsp and many large retailers deliver, and online shopping is certainly another practical option for those without car or for ordering heavy items.

Farmers’ Markets
There are a few very nice local farmers’ markets. One in the Princeton Public Library plaza, Hinds Plaza, on Thursdays, Princeton Farmers’ Market; another is the West Windsor Community Farmers’ Market, which is held on Saturdays. There is also the Saturday Montgomery Friends of Open Space Farmers’ Market on Route 206 in Skillman. In spring, Princeton University holds its own farmers’ market in Firestone Library / Chapel Plaza from 11:00am – 3:00pm. It runs from April through May. https://farmersmarket.princeton.edu/

HOUSING

We trust that you will make arrangements to get your keys/access your housing prior to arrival, please keep in mind that weekends and Labor Day/other holidays might require some additional coordination.

For those of you living in university rentals, please see this information on the university housing and real estate website: http://hres.princeton.edu/faculty-staff/move-in

For those living off-campus, most housing related resources can be found here: https://offcampushousing.princeton.edu/index.php/resource

Should you expect guests during your stay, you might wish to look into the following options besides the Nassau Inn in downtown Princeton or other regional hotels:

- At Princeton Theological Seminary: Erdman Center http://www.ptsem.edu/ce/conferencesandlodging.php
- Tiger trade at http://ttrade.tigerapps.org/ will advertise sublets, as well as Craigslist for Central New Jersey and the local papers.
NEW ARRIVAL CHECKLIST

Note: this is a checklist to help you with your arrival and orientation to the University; this is by no means comprehensive or an official checklist for new employees

☐ Activated NetID; reviewed the PIIRS IT instructions
☐ Received New Hire Binder from Human Resources
☐ Contacted Human Resources to fill out I-9 form (New South Building)
☐ Procured Princeton University Identification Card (PUID) (New South Building)
  ☐ Employee
  ☐ Dependents
☐ Procured Parking Permit (New South Building)
☐ Checked in with Davis Intl. Center (J-1 Visa holders)
☐ Activated Library privileges at Firestone Library
☐ Received Office Keys
☐ Activated Voicemail
☐ Registered your personal laptop for off-site access to the PU network

Checklist for your own use

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