Graduate Group in Biochemistry and Molecular Biophysics  
General Information for Incoming Students

Student mailboxes for incoming students are located on the left as you enter the Mail Room (257 Anatomy-Chemistry Building) of the Department of Biochemistry and Biophysics. Use the following address to have mail sent to you at this location: Department of Biochemistry and Biophysics, 421 Curie Blvd., 257 Anatomy-Chemistry Bldg., Perelman School of Medicine at the University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA 19104-6059.

Copy machines are located in the Mail Room (257 Anatomy-Chemistry Building) and in the 9th Floor Stellar-Chance lounge. You may use these machines for course-related copying.

The Student Room is located in 250 Anatomy-Chemistry Building. Keys to this room have been placed in your mailbox. The room has two computers (1 MAC, 1 PC) and a printer. Please make sure the door is locked and securely closed when you leave the room.

Lockers: Please contact Kelli McKenna if you would like a locker. They are located in the hallway outside of room 234 Anatomy-Chemistry.

Computers: All incoming students receive $1,000 towards a computer or computer peripherals (we are unable to reimburse students for computers already purchased). Computers must be ordered through Lisa Ward (243 Anatomy-Chemistry Building) or Joanne Kuloszewski.

Lab Rotations: Jeremy Wilusz is the Lab Rotation Director. Lab Rotation Approval forms are handled electronically and are to be completed by Friday, September 15, 2017. You can find the forms on the link below.

http://www.med.upenn.edu/bmbgrad/Program/Forms/forms.shtml

Advising: You will be meeting individually with the Advising Committee to select your fall courses. Registration forms should be returned to Kelli McKenna as soon as possible after your meeting. Any changes in your fall schedule should be made within two weeks of the start of the semester and need to be approved by one of the members of the Advising Committee.

Seminars which you are expected to attend:
- Raiziss Rounds: Thursdays at noon (Austrian Auditorium, Clinical Research Building). The first seminar will be on September 7, 2017.
- Friday Research Discussions (FRD): Fridays at 3:30 p.m. (JF Library) – short talks by faculty, students and research staff by lab. Beer & snacks available after the talks. The first FRD will be on September 8, 2017.
Other seminars of interest can be found on the SOM Calendar:

http://www.med.upenn.edu/calendar.shtml

Monitors are located on the 8th, 9th and 10th Floors of Stellar-Chance (in the lobby areas by the elevators) and in two locations in the 2nd Floor Anatomy-Chemistry Building hallway. Check them daily for reminders of seminars and news of interest, as well as the “Weekly Trivia Question” and the “Quote of the Week.”

Staff:


Questions about your pay:

BGS Financial Office Nam Narain (417 Anatomy-Chemistry Building; 215-573-2234)

Also, check out the BMB website for news and upcoming events:

http://www.med.upenn.edu/bmbgrad/index.shtml