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A WELCOME TO PRINCETON



THE ORANGE KEY SOCIETY

In behalf of Princeton University, the Orange Key Society would like to welcome you to our campus. We hope you will find your stay here enjoyable, and if there is anything our representative can do to make it more pleasant, please do not hesitate to ask him. You will find in this folder a map of the campus as well as other information which you might find useful during your stay. We hope you will visit us again soon.

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For information about the location of campus buildings, names of students or faculty, consult the Orange Key representative or call the Information Office in North Reunion Hall, WA 1-6600, Ext. 427.

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Brief History and Pertinent Information

Princeton University was founded in 1746 by a small group of Presbyterian clergy-men who believed that the Middle Colonies should have a college "for the education of youths in the learned languages and in the liberal arts and sciences." The charter they obtained guaranteed denominational freedom and avoided state control.

Into the classical curriculum which the college adopted at the beginning President John Witherspoon, a Scottish clergyman and signer of the Declaration of Independence, infused a strong spirit of public duty.

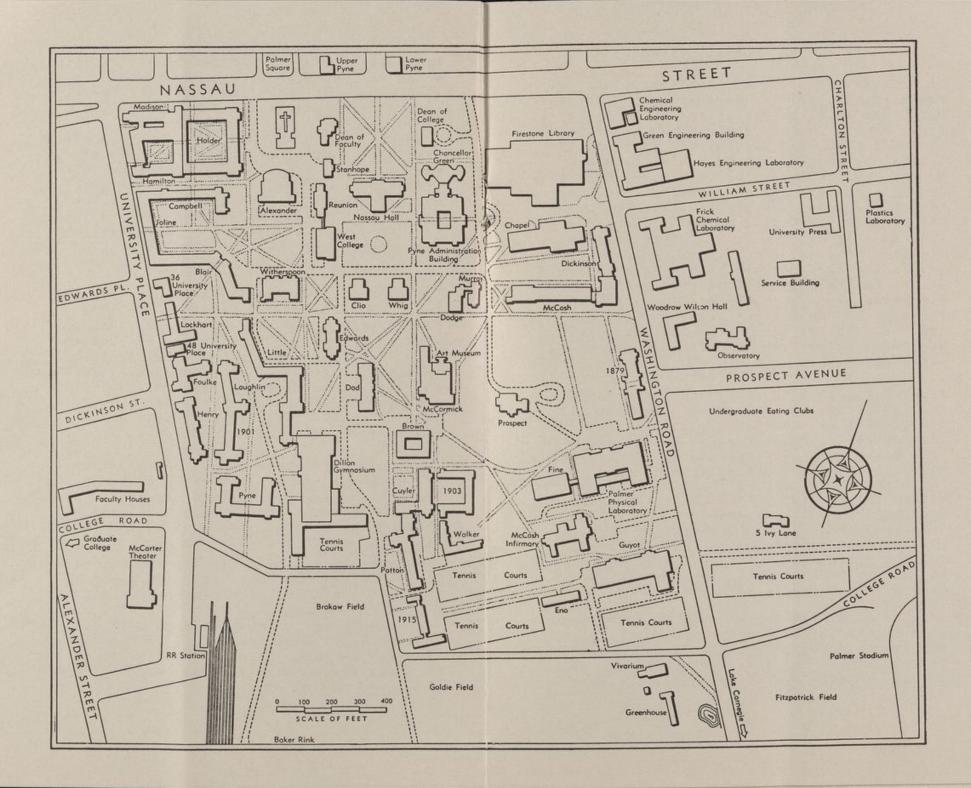
Princeton's long scientific tradition also began in the eighteenth century when, in 1795, it established the first professorship of chemistry in an American college.

From the beginning, many students came from the South, and by mid-nineteenth century almost half the student body were from south of Mason and Dixon's line. Thus Princeton suffered more as a result of the War between the States than any other educational institution in the North. Rehabilitation and advance came under the leadership of James McCosh, President.

Students of McCosh were influential in the development of modern Princeton. In 1901 Andrew West organized the Graduate School; Woodrow Wilson, as president from 1902 to 1910, introduced the plan of small group instruction known as the preceptorial method; and John Grier Hibben developed plans of individual study designed to lead the student to work on his own initiative along the lines of his particular interests.

Continuing to devote its first attention to the liberal arts and sciences, Princeton has schools in architecture and engineering which lead the student to professional training through the broad approach of liberal education.

Princeton is today, as it was at its founding more than two centuries ago, a residential college. Dormitories house practically the entire undergraduate body. One-third of the students receive financial aid in the form of scholarships, work, or loans. The unity of campus life makes possible the "honor system" of unsupervised examinations, in effect since 1893.



The Precept System

Woodrow Wilson, the thirteenth president of Princeton University, once wrote: "The educated man is to be discovered by his point of view, by the temper of his mind, by his attitude toward life, and by his fair way of thinking. He can see, he can discriminate, he can combine ideas, and perceive where they lead; he has insight and compassion. . . He has the knowledge of the world which no one can have who knows only his own generation or only his own task." This statement strikes the core of a "liberal education." To produce such men and such understanding is the central aim at Princeton. How does Princeton propose to reach this lofty, idealistic goal? Basic to a Princeton education are two means of developing the "whole view" of the educated man--the preceptorial and independent work.

In 1905 Wilson began an educational experiment which has won recognition in virtually every American educational institution. He invited fifty young scholars and teachers to join the faculty as preceptors. Supplementing lectures "preceptorial conferences" under the direction of one of these preceptors meet weekly for the free exchange of ideas and opportunity for independent thought. Numbering seven students or less, the precept seeks to encourage each member of the group not only to grasp the subject but also to evaluate it and its implications in terms of his own critical capacity and experience.

Coupled with this is the student's independent work of the junior and senior years. Here the student does independent reading and research culminating in a senior thesis, comparable in many ways to a master's thesis.

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FRID.Y 3;301p.m. J.V. football vs. Rutgers -University Field Varsity Cross Country vs. Columbia, Penn at Philidelphia

4:00 p.m. J.V. Soccer vs. Pennsylvania, Pardee Field 7:00p.m. Cornell Game Pep Rally- Blair Arch 8:00p.m. Kingston Trio - Dillon Gym

SATURDAY

Freshman soccer vs. Trenton H.S. - Fardee Varsity Soccer vs. Cornell -Pardee Field Fencing Demonstration - Gym Balcony Field 10:00am. 11:00a m. 11:00a.m.

12:00c.m. Freshman Football vs. Columbia University Field

2:00p.m. Varsity Footbal vs. Cornell Palmer Stadium

Talbot Brothers of Bernuda-Alexander Hall Soph. Dance- Student Center 8:00p.m. 9:00p.m.

SUNDAY

11:00a.m. Worship-Dean Gordon- University Chapel