An aerial photograph of the Arcadia University campus, featuring a prominent stone building with a tower and a large green lawn. The entire image is overlaid with a semi-transparent red filter. At the top, there is a decorative rectangular area with a white diagonal line pattern on a red background.

CAMPUS

LIFE

ARCADIA
UNIVERSITY

FIND YOUR PLACE



At Arcadia, campus life isn't just something that happens around you—it's where your college experience truly begins. Whether it's joining a club, meeting friends in the dining hall, or connecting with a professor who really gets you, this is a place where learning and life go hand in hand. Arcadia is more than just a university—it's a community that supports your goals, celebrates your individuality, and helps you grow in ways you didn't expect. Here, you'll be part of a close-knit, empowering environment that fuels your passions, builds real connections, and gets you ready for whatever comes next.



SEE CAMPUS LIFE IN ACTION!

Scan to explore student stories and campus moments on our Student Life playlist on YouTube.





GET INV





INVOLVED



AT ARCADIA, WHATEVER YOUR INTERESTS, THERE'S SOMETHING FOR YOU.

From Arcadia Crochets to Ultimate Frisbee and lots in between—Society for Castle Restoration, UKnight Dance Team, Model U.N., Equestrian Team, K-pop Club, the Writers Bloc, and so much more—there are clubs, organizations, and groups for all of our students. These are all represented by our thriving Student Government Organization. With weekly on-campus events and activities, our campus life will enrich your experience in fun and exciting ways.







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TRADITION



**OUR CAMPUS HAS
EVENTS AND TRADITIONS
ONLY FOUND HERE.**

BELOW IS JUST A SAMPLING OF THE EVENTS AND ENTERTAINMENT YOU'LL FIND HERE.

WELCOME WEEK

Kick off the first week of classes with a full lineup of events designed to help you meet new people, explore campus, and start the semester strong.

HOMECOMING AND FAMILY WEEKEND

Celebrate Arcadia pride with a weekend of festivities, reunions, and campus traditions that bring students, alumni, and the whole community together.

EMPTY BOWL

An annual tradition for over 30 years that draws attention to our fight against hunger.

FIRST-GEN CELEBRATION

Join us as we recognize and uplift first-generation college students with special events, resources, and moments of pride throughout the day.

GET LIT!

Winter festival with music, ice skating, food, and hot chocolate.

TRUNK OR TREAT

A festive, family-friendly Halloween event where student groups and campus partners decorate their trunks and hand out candy!

WELCOME BACK BASH

Indoor Arcade-ia games, food, and fun.

THE GALA

An elegant evening of music, celebration, and community! Dress your best and dance the Knight away!

WOODSTOCK WEEKEND

Three-day themed festival with concert stage, foam parties, roller skating, and more.

HOME AWAY FROM HOME FRIENDSGIVING

A cozy campus gathering for students to enjoy a delicious Thanksgiving meal, connect with friends, and celebrate community, no travel required.

KNIGHT TREKS DAY-CATIONS

Several times a year, we head out in a comfy bus to NYC, Cape May, and Jim Thorpe where we see the sights, go on food tours, play paintball, or walk along the boardwalk!

MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. WEEK

A week of events honoring the legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. through service, reflection, education, and community dialogue.





Starting college I worried that there wouldn't be any fun or interactive events on campus, but I learned very quickly that we have a ton of events for students, from laser tag to first-generation celebrations to guest lectures.

—Jamerika Grandberry, Sociology major



SCARLET & GREY DAY

An exciting event to celebrate newly admitted students. New and returning Knights come together to build connections at this gathering filled with food and fun on the vibrant Haber Green.

COFFEE HOUSE POP-UP SERIES

Relax, connect, and enjoy free treats at themed pop-up cafés featuring student clubs, music, and cozy vibes throughout the semester.

GET TO KNOW YOUR OWN BACKYARD

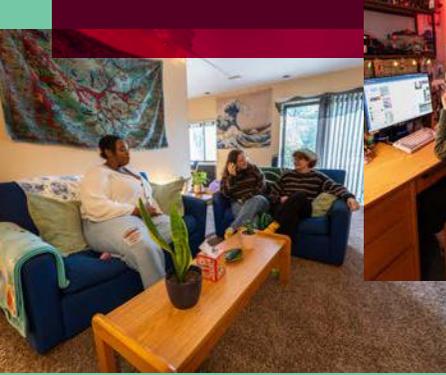
Get to know Philly with group trips to different parts of this cultural mecca! See a show, visit a museum, see a game, or visit an outdoor market.



RESIDENCE

LIFE





I made so many good friends living in residence halls! I loved the sense of community created by our Resident Assistant...it encouraged me to get more involved in programs and the community!

—Gabriella Cacciatore, Psychology major



New students can **choose from a variety of unique housing experiences** right in the heart of our vibrant campus, so you can roll out of bed and be in class or at a pickup volleyball game on Haber Green in minutes. During your first year, you'll live in either a traditional residence hall—with the option of selecting one of four themed living communities listed below—or a real-life 19th century Castle.

- **Make That Change: “History Has Its Eyes On You”**

This community partners with cultural student organizations to explore heritage, leadership, and social justice where residents participate in fun, interactive, and meaningful activities to support, embrace, and enhance the advancement of each other.

- **Celebrate! LGBTQ+**

Residents of this community will guide topics and programs on the floor and attend complementary campus events. Recommended for: Students interested in exploring LGBTQ+ culture and leadership.

- **Explore the Arts!**

Hall activities will utilize opportunities provided through Arts at Arcadia including exhibition openings, theater performances, and other professional and student presentations.





Students who live more than 25 miles from campus reside in housing for their first two years at Arcadia, so residents have the potential to make many new friends from day one! (Maybe that's one of the reasons our alumni say that Arcadia is where "lifelong friendships are formed.") **Housing is guaranteed for all full-time undergraduates** who complete their housing application on time.

No quarters necessary! Laundry facilities are free of charge and located in each traditional residence hall.



I loved living in a Theme Community because it gave me a space to feel welcomed in an unfamiliar setting with many unfamiliar faces who do not look like me.

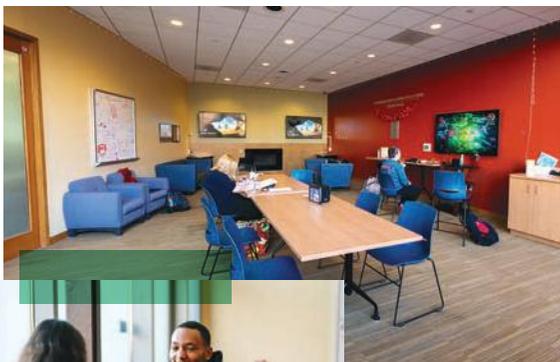
—Kailyn Houston-Young, Psychology major

COMMUTER

LIFE

We work to ensure that commuter students feel integrated into the Arcadia community.

Make yourself at home in our centrally located Commuter Lounge, open seven days a week. Heat up or refrigerate your lunch, take a nap on one of our comfy couches, or grab a coffee from The Chat down the hall. You can also hit the books between classes. Got questions about commuter life? The Commuter Club and a staff liaison work hand-in-hand to create a sense of belonging with our commuter students. Enjoy catered lunches, pop-up jam sessions, and other engaging activities just for commuter students.



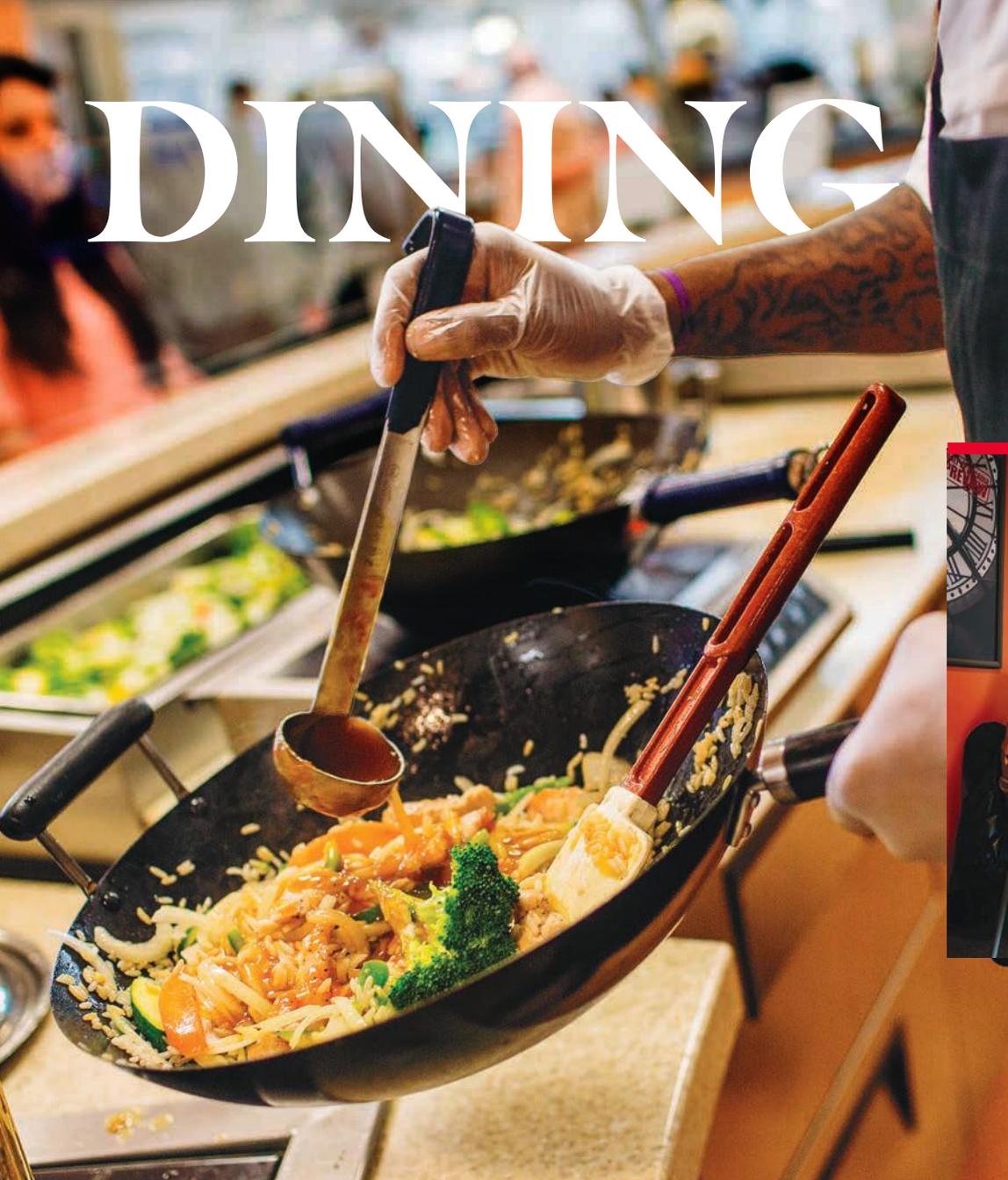
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*—Robert Lewcun
Business Administration
major*



DINING



OPTIONS



From globally inspired authentic flavors to gluten-free, vegetarian, and vegan choices, **there's something for every palate in our four dining spaces.** Each menu is designed to keep you going, feeling good, and living well. Our dining staff is always eager to receive feedback and is known for changing up its offerings based on what students want!





THE DINING OPTIONS ON CAMPUS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR FUELING STUDENTS WITH ENOUGH ENERGY TO TACKLE THEIR DAY. WITH A KIND STAFF, A VARIETY OF CHOICES, AND WEEKLY SPECIALS, IT REALLY MAKES YOUR EXPERIENCE AS A STUDENT MORE PLEASANT AS YOU POWER THROUGH YOUR DAILY CLASSES.

*—Ethan Rodriguez
Media and Communication major*



The Dining Hall is an all-you-can-eat buffet for fresh and flavorful meals crafted from locally sourced ingredients, showcasing a dedication to scratch-prepared foods and personalized service. Options include fan favorites, as well as a salad bar, grille, and delicious eats catered to those with food allergies and restrictions.



The Chat in the Commons is a bustling hub of made-to-order delights for our students on the move. Here you'll find staples like burgers, made-to-order sandwiches and salads, and hometown favorites (like Wawa coffee)!

For the coffee aficionados, Arcadia offers two convenient locations right on campus:

Nestled in Easton Hall, **Easton Café** brews Starbucks coffee, lattes, and the like. Stop in for quick coffee breaks and snacks between classes, which you can enjoy next to the beautiful and relaxing Easton Pond.



Students in Oak Summit Apartments enjoy our **Global Café**, offering a delightful array of coffee, snacks, flatbread pizzas, and hot sandwiches.

THE COM

Nestled in the picturesque town of Glenside, Pa., Arcadia enjoys a prime location that enriches the student experience. With the **Glenside Train Station just a mile from campus**, students can easily catch a quick **25-minute ride to Philadelphia**—a dynamic city packed with energy, culture, and opportunities.

Adding to the allure is **Glenside's charming community**. A short walk will reveal eclectic shops, restaurants, and theaters. The town comes to life each year with events like Fall Fest, Rock the Knight (our annual food truck festival, partnering with Downtown Glenside), and the Glenside Arts Festival. Our strategic location not only fosters a laidback and tight-knit community but also invites students to broaden their world and learn in the heart of Philadelphia.

COMMUNITY





CAMPUS LIFE RESOURCES

At Arcadia, you're just steps away from the people and places that are here to ensure your academic, physical, and emotional wellness and success.

Counseling Services: A safe, confidential place where our trained professional staff empower students to identify their challenges and find creative solutions through individual and group counseling.

Student Health Services: Feeling sick or looking for preventative care? It's easy to make an appointment online or by phone to see a member of our trained professional staff.

The Office of Community Standards and Student Conduct: Fosters a safe, just, and equitable learning and working community grounded in Arcadia's Lived Values.





Public Safety:

You'll see our friendly Public Safety officers patrolling campus in marked cars and on foot around the clock. Campus safety escorts are available 24/7 and are just a phone call away.

The Pantry: Offers perishable and non-perishable food items, personal care items, and household cleaning supplies to all students in two convenient campus locations.



Archie's Apparel: A closet full of gently used, professional attire where you can pick out an outfit to dress for success, for free.

A photograph of three young adults standing outdoors, possibly on a university campus. The image is heavily tinted with a red color. On the left, a man with a beard and glasses, wearing a plaid jacket and a backpack, looks towards the center. In the middle, a woman with long hair, wearing a dark hoodie with a logo, smiles. On the right, a woman with long hair and sunglasses, wearing a plaid jacket, looks towards the center. The background shows trees and a building. The text 'We can't wait for you to join our community!' is overlaid in white, bold, italicized font at the bottom left.

***We can't wait for you
to join our community!***