Ambler Campus

General Information

Temple University Ambler, located in Montgomery County, just 17 miles north of the Main Campus (and minutes from Route 309, the Pennsylvania Turnpike and Route 476), offers the benefits of a small college campus with the resources of a large university. Several high-quality undergraduate, graduate and non-credit courses and programs are offered to meet the educational and workforce development needs of the region.

Campus facilities include the Ambler Arboretum of Temple University, the Temple Ambler Field Station, the Tyler School of Art and Architecture Greenhouse Research and Education Complex, the Ambler Research and Collaboration Building, Ambler Campus Technology Center, the Ambler Campus Library, Red Barn Gym and fitness center, design/build studios, a 300-seat auditorium, a Low Ropes Challenge Course, Aramark P.O.D. (Provisions on Demand) Market and an Esports gaming area.

Also located on the Ambler Campus are the Fox School of Business and Management's Small Business Development Center, the College of Liberal Arts' Temple Infant and Child Lab, and the College of Liberal Arts' Criminal Justice Training Programs. Students benefit from these unique facilities as well as several academic and student services, which are listed below.

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Undergraduate Degree Programs

- Accounting (online classes required)
- Business Management (online classes required)
- Horticulture (Associate and Bachelor's Degrees available)
- Human Resource Management (online classes required)
- General Studies (online classes required)
- Landscape Architecture (Note: Studio courses in the first and second year offered at Main Campus only)
- Liberal Studies (online classes required)
- Marketing (online classes required)
- Psychology (some online classes may be required)
- Supply Chain Management (online classes required)

Graduate Degree Programs

- Landscape Architecture

Undergraduate Certificate Programs

- Business Basics Certificate (for non-degree students only)
- Business Plus Certificate (for non-degree students only)
- Environmental Sustainability Certificate (requires Main Campus courses)
- Horticultural Therapy Certificate
- Landscape Plants Certificate (requires Main Campus courses)
- Management Career Certificate
- Native Perennial Garden Design Certificate (requires Main Campus courses)
- Sustainability Certificate (requires Main Campus courses)
- Sustainable Food Systems Certificate (requires Main Campus courses)
For more information about undergraduate majors, minors, and certification programs that can be completed at the Ambler Campus, visit: https://ambler.temple.edu/academics/academic-programs.

**First-year Experience at Temple Ambler Program**

Newly admitted first-year students who enroll full-time at Temple Ambler for two semesters and remain in good academic standing are eligible to receive a First-year Experience Campus Grant. After successfully completing their first year at Temple Ambler, students may then choose to continue their studies at Ambler Campus, transition to Main Campus for their remaining three years of undergraduate coursework or take courses at multiple campuses in the same semester, depending on their major. Learn more about the First-year Experience.

**Non-Credit Programs**

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https://noncredit.temple.edu

The Office of Non-Credit and Continuing Education provides quality, professional and accessible education and lifelong learning opportunities at every stage of your career or life. Courses and programs are available in the areas of Professional Development and Personal Enrichment.

Educational opportunities offered through Youth and Summer Programs and the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute (OLLI) are also available at the Ambler Campus. For more information on these and other programs, see the Special Programs section of this Bulletin.

**Criminal Justice Training Programs (CJTP)**

Haines House
215-204-7930
https://liberalarts.temple.edu/research/labs-centers-and-institutes/criminal-justice-training-program

Criminal Justice Training Programs, a division of the College of Liberal Arts’ Department of Criminal Justice, has conducted professional training for a variety of criminal justice agencies and occupations since 1968. It is located at the Temple University Law Enforcement Training Center (TULETC) at Temple Ambler. Each year, more than 3,000 criminal justice employees attend programs offered by CJTP, including police personnel, sheriffs and deputy sheriffs, constables, school security officers, and park rangers. Other activities include the development of training curricula and the delivery of online learning.

**Park Ranger Law Enforcement Academy (PRLEA)**

215-468-8600
https://universitycollege.temple.edu/academics/park-ranger-law-enforcement-academy

The Temple University Park Ranger Law Enforcement Academy (PRLEA) was established in 2010 and is one of six law enforcement academies in the U.S. certified to provide the 680-plus hour basic training program which is required for a person to be commissioned as a seasonal law enforcement park ranger with the National Park Service and with Pennsylvania’s Department of Conservation and Natural Resources. The curriculum is designed to impart the knowledge, skills, and abilities to preserve and protect our nation’s local, state, and national parks for public use today, and for many years to come.

**Academic Awards and Scholarships at Ambler**

For details and application procedures about the various scholarships available to Ambler Campus students, visit: https://ambler.temple.edu/admissions/cost-aid-and-scholarships/ambler-campus-scholarships.

**Academic and Student Services**

Our mission is to provide students with personalized academic and student support, as well as unique leadership and service-learning opportunities, at a conveniently located suburban campus. We strive to complement the University’s mission by promoting and offering social, cultural, educational and developmental programs for Ambler Campus students.

**Admissions**

Learning Center, Room 102 / Welcome Center
267-468-8100
https://ambler.temple.edu/admissions

Prospective and admitted students can connect with Ambler Campus staff and current students to learn more about the admissions process and options for beginning or completing a degree program at Ambler Campus. Campus events and tours are held throughout the year to engage with current high school students, students looking to transfer to Temple from other institutions and non-traditional students returning to the classroom.

**Academic Advising and Student Success**

Learning Center
Dedicated professional advisors help students choose a program of study that is suited to their educational and career goals, assist with information about program requirements and university policies and procedures. Transfer students can discuss transfer credit evaluations and whether these credits meet Temple program requirements.

**Undergraduate Advising - Fox School of Business & Management**

267-204-7672  
https://ambler.temple.edu/campus-resources/advising-and-student-success  
https://www.fox.temple.edu/advising

Ambler Campus business students are advised by Fox School of Business and Management advisors and can make an appointment online.

**Inter-campus Bus Service**

Learning Center, Room 102 / Welcome Center  
267-468-8423  
https://campusoperations.temple.edu/parking-transportation/shuttle-services

Temple University provides free inter-campus bus service between Ambler, Health Science, and Main campuses (fall and spring) for students who take classes at the Ambler Campus. Inter-campus bus schedules are available in the Welcome Center and online.

**Computer Center**

Ambler Campus Technology (ACT) Center  
Learning Center, Room 106  
Help Desk: 267-468-8324  
https://ambler.temple.edu/campus-resources/technology

The Ambler Campus Technology (ACT) Center has Windows and Macintosh computers equipped with software for all Temple programs; 3D, color and black-and-white laser printers; a plotter; and standard and wide format scanners. A Help Desk is located within the ACT Center. A breakout room is available for students to reserve and there is a Zoom room upstairs in Learning Center, Room 206.

**Counseling Services**

Main Campus: 215-204-7276  
https://counseling.temple.edu/

Free and confidential virtual counseling services are available for Temple Ambler students by appointment. Emergencies and/or "walk-ins" and psychiatric services are managed on the Main Campus at Tuttleman Counseling Services located at 1700 N. Broad Street, Second Floor.

**Disability Resources and Services**

Learning Center, Room 102 / Welcome Center  
267-468-8200  
https://ambler.temple.edu/campus-resources/disability-resources-and-service

The Office of Academic and Student Services, in conjunction with Disability Resources and Services (Division of Student Affairs) at Main Campus, assists with providing accommodations for students with disabilities at Temple Ambler.

**Student Financial Services (SFS)**

Learning Center, Room 109  
267-468-8443  
https://ambler.temple.edu/admissions/cost-aid-and-scholarships

Temple University's Student Financial Services Office readily assists all Temple students in making their college education affordable. Financial Aid counselors are available to meet with students at the Ambler Campus. See the Financial Aid section in this Bulletin for more information.

**Library**

Learning Center, Room 106  
267-468-8648 (Library Service Desk)  
https://ambler.temple.edu/campus-resources/library
The Ambler Campus Library supports students and faculty with an on-site collection of print resources and online journals and reference material. As part of the Temple University Libraries system (https://library.temple.edu), the Ambler academic community may request materials to be sent to Ambler from the vast, deep discipline-based collections of all of Temple’s libraries. Librarians are on site for research help and take appointments for “face to face” or Zoom appointments for research consultations.

Off-Campus Housing
Learning Center, Room 102 / Welcome Center
267-468-8423
https://ambler.temple.edu/campus-resources/campus-housing

While Ambler Campus is a commuter campus, the Office of Student Life provides a listing of apartments and houses to rent or share and brochures on local apartment complexes.

OWLcard Access and ID
Learning Center, Room 102 / Welcome Center
267-468-8200
https://ambler.temple.edu/campus-resources/id-cards

Your OWLcard is Temple University’s ID card and gives you access to Temple buildings, parking lots and services, including libraries and gyms. You can also use your OWLcard to access Diamond Dollars, the University’s debit-card program. Learn more about how to obtain a mobile OWLcard.

Parking at Ambler Campus
Learning Center, Room 102 / Welcome Center
267-468-8000
https://ambler.temple.edu/about/maps-and-directions/parking

All faculty, staff and students at the Ambler Campus are required to purchase parking hangtags, which can be purchased online and mailed to you. Campus visitors should register their vehicles in order to avoid parking citations.

Re-enrollment
Learning Center
267-468-8200
https://ambler.temple.edu/admissions/request-re-enroll

Degree students who have not attended Temple for one semester or more may request to re-enroll. Once a student has submitted a Request to Re-enroll form, an academic advisor will assist with choosing and registering for courses.

Recreation, Outdoor Education & Wellness (ROW)
Red Barn Gym and Recreation Center
267-468-8151
https://ambler.temple.edu/campus-resources/recreation-and-wellness/recreation

ROW offers a holistic approach to health and wellness through a range of programs including open recreation, intramural sports, team building programs and special events. Facilities include a multi-purpose gymnasium and a fitness room with both cardiovascular and free weight equipment. Outdoor facilities include the new 15-element challenge course lab, a swimming pool, and basketball, tennis and volleyball courts. The Ambler Campus also has more than two miles of wooded trails for walking and running. Students may also participate in Main Campus recreational activities.

Student and Campus Life
Learning Center, Room 102 / Welcome Center
267-468-8423
https://ambler.temple.edu/campus-resources/student-life

This office oversees student programs, events and student organizations. Students can get involved on campus in order to gain leadership experience, develop special skills and interests, and build community with their fellow students. Students may also obtain information regarding the inter-campus bus service, as well as Main Campus events.

For information about student organizations in the Fox School of Business and Management, please refer to the Fox section of the Bulletin.

Student Success Center
215-204-0702
Temple Ambler students have access to a wide variety of virtual tutoring services for writing, math and science through the Student Success Center at Main Campus. Learn more about the services, workshops and programs offered.

**Unique Facilities and Programs at Temple Ambler**

**Ambler Arboretum of Temple University**

https://ambler.temple.edu/arboretum

Temple University’s 187-acre Ambler Campus is an Arboretum, or a public garden with a significant focus on a tree collection. Comprised of a unique mix of naturalistic and formal landscapes, including botanic collections, horticulture displays, woodlands and meadows, the Ambler Arboretum is a platform for scientific research; teaching, learning and practical training; and environmental responsibility and conservation.

The University is a leader in modeling the art and science of horticulture. Arboretum staff are horticulturists and curators who steward the living collections. Staff are available to assist faculty and students with teaching and research. They also provide information about the University's woody-plant collection to scholars and professionals around the world. Staff actively engage collection development to fulfill a mission to conserve tree and genetic diversity.

The Ambler Arboretum is open every day of the year from sunrise to sunset. Faculty and students are encouraged to visit to experience the beauty and health benefits of nature, plants and gardening. The Arboretum is known for its 4 seasons of interest—from the Barbara F. and Philip R. Albright Winter Garden to the Louise Bush-Brown Formal Perennial Garden. Of particular interest is the Ernesta Ballard Healing Garden, which includes a labyrinth for contemplation and enjoyment and doubles as a storm-water management garden as does the Sustainable Wetland Garden.

The Ambler Campus was established as the Pennsylvania School of Horticulture for Women in 1911. This historic public garden is now known as the Ambler Arboretum of Temple University which serves as the public garden, outdoor classroom and living laboratory for Temple University.

**Temple University Field Station at Ambler**

https://ambler.temple.edu/fieldstation

Temple University’s 187-acre Ambler Campus is a Field Station, a platform for environmental field research and education that spans multiple disciplines, from the natural sciences, to engineering and the liberal arts. The Field Station serves as an ecological observatory that aids in the scientific documentation of fundamental changes in our natural environments. The Field Station's research initiatives provide data to a broad community of scientists and educators, and advance the understanding of global change impacts, as well as innovative and meaningful solutions to these changes.

The Temple University Field Station at Ambler offers a diversity of natural habitats including older growth and secondary forests; aquatic and wetland environments including ponds and ephemeral streams; meadows and turf; and natural and designed garden landscapes.

Faculty may teach and offer experiential opportunities in the Field Station's varied environments. Field Station faculty and staff are available to aid in the creation of modules or pedagogical tools. Field Station courses, offered in conjunction with Temple's schools and colleges, provide hands-on training in field methodologies and applications. Internships integrate students into ongoing research activities that deepen scientific knowledge and enrich students' academic experience, preparing them for further study and careers. Current research initiatives include the Temple Forest Observatory, a collaboration with the Smithsonian Institution's Forest Global Earth Observatory (ForestGEO) program.

Undergraduate and graduate students may participate directly in research through the Field Station's Ecological Observatory Program, which advances understanding of local ecosystems and facilitates large-scale comparative study of dozens of observatories across the country. The Global Change Program enables students to conduct research on ecological impacts of climate change and invasive species. The Field Station also welcomes students and researchers to pursue their own explorations of the natural world.

**Athletic Facilities**

The Ambler Campus has several facilities for collegiate sports, including NCAA soccer fields, an NCAA softball field and an NCAA baseball field. Ambler fields are used by various club sports including soccer, rugby, softball and baseball.

The Ambler Campus Intercollegiate Athletics Field House, located off Woods Drive, includes "green roof" structures. A green roof is a living biological community of plants that provides an environmentally sound alternative to a traditional roof system. The green roof garden allows for educational and research opportunities for students and faculty. The Field House has locker rooms, training facilities, offices and game-day concessions.

**Auditorium**

The 300-seat Learning Center Auditorium, with smart technology and performance space, provides opportunities to offer cultural, educational and entertaining events for our students and the surrounding community. Reserve the Auditorium by contacting the Ambler Campus Scheduling and Events Office at 267-468-8223.
Challenge Course Lab
TUA_ROW@temple.edu
https://ambler.temple.edu/campus-resources/recreation-and-wellness

A state-of-the-art challenge course facility was built in 2022 featuring 15 elements. This facility can be utilized to enhance experiential learning opportunities for academic courses and for departmental team building programs. In addition to the outdoor facility, the program has multiple "portable" elements and a highly trained staff that can deliver programs at any location indoor or out.

Temple Ambler EarthFest
https://ambler.temple.edu/community/earthfest

Temple Ambler EarthFest, in collaboration with the Ambler Arboretum, the Temple Ambler Field Station and other partners, provides meaningful, impactful educational experiences for all ages throughout the year related to citizen science, sustainability and protecting, preserving and connecting with the environment. Join us to celebrate the Earth, stargaze, camp out and explore outdoor biodiversity.

Tyler School of Art and Architecture Greenhouse Education and Research Complex
267-468-8180
https://ambler.temple.edu/campus-resources/greenhouse

The Tyler School of Art and Architecture Greenhouse Education and Research Complex provides faculty and students with first-class facilities to study plant and soil science and conduct horticultural research. The energy-efficient greenhouse includes computerized climate controls and thermal blankets to protect the plants in the winter and shade them in the summer. Modern fertilizer injection systems water and fertilize plants simultaneously. The Complex includes a one-acre research garden with an apiary, a shade house and a hoop house.

Institutional Research and Assessment Testing Center
Learning Center, Room 210
https://ira.temple.edu/

The testing center is certified by the National College Testing Association (NCTA) and is managed by Temple's Office of Institutional Research and Assessment. The facility administers several computer-based school entrance exams such as GRE, LSAT, MAT, MPRE and Praxis, as well as the GED and other exams.

Law Enforcement Training
Located at Temple Ambler, the Temple University Law Enforcement Training Center is the home to the College of Liberal Arts' Criminal Justice Training Programs and the University College Park Ranger Law Enforcement Academy. Ambler Campus has unique facilities and resources to facilitate highly specialized training for first responders, which enables the Center to serve municipal, state and federal agencies.

Temple Infant and Child Laboratory
Widener Hall
267-468-8610
infantlab@temple.edu
https://templeinfantlab.com

The College of Liberal Arts' Infant and Child Laboratory invites parents and their children to shape the future by participating in research at the frontier of science. Directed by nationally recognized child development authorities and professors Dr. Kathy Hirsh-Pasek and Dr. Nora Newcombe, the lab provides fun-filled activities for children who become part of cutting-edge scientific discoveries. Parents learn more about their children's first words and ability to create mental maps. At the lab, infants, toddlers and older children teach scientists new ways to optimize education and advance learning.

Temple Small Business Development Center
Widener Hall
https://www.fox.temple.edu/faculty-research/institutes-centers/small-business-development-center

The Fox School of Business' Small Business Development Center (SBDC) has a branch at Ambler Campus, offering general business consultants who work with pre-venture, start-up, and existing small business clients. Most services are provided free to clients, due to grant funding from the Small Business Administration. In addition to one-on-one consulting, classes, workshops and training opportunities, the SBDC offers a unique program called Warrior Rising, a Small Business Special Forces Incubator.