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A Look at Logistics

- **Arriving at Arcadia University in Glenside, PA**

Glenside is a small town in Montgomery County, PA about 8 miles north of the center of Philadelphia and about ½ mile north of the northern city limit.

The address of the university is 450 S. Easton Road, 19038.

BY AIR

The Warminster or Glenside train (“SEPTA”) from Philadelphia airport will take you directly to Glenside. Trains leave ~ every 30 minutes until close to midnight. The price is \$10 to \$12 one way (less if purchased in advance). Check the website for precise information:

http://www.septa.org/schedules/rail/h/AIR_1.html

BY AMTRAK

Disembark at 30th Street Station (the only Philadelphia station) and then take the Warminster or Glenside SEPTA train to Glenside.

Exit the SEPTA train at the Glenside stop. The university is a 15-minute walk south on Easton Road. The Oak Summit apartment complex is about a block and a half closer to the train station, and is also on Easton Road.

SEPTA buses (#22) run on Easton Road from the train to the campus – with a stop in front of the Oak Summit Apartments and two in front of the campus proper. The schedule is somewhat limited on weekends. The cost is \$2.25 one way. Additional information:

<http://www.septa.org/schedules/bus/index.html>

We anticipate that there will be some “shuttle cars” driving to the campus from the train station – but these will be students’ private vehicles and there will be no regular schedule. If you know about when you will arrive, contact Scott Rawlins at 215-801-7802 (voice message or text message) or a representative from Conference Services (215-572-2998 or conferenceservices@arcadia.edu) to see

about being picked up. This service will be limited to the hours between breakfast and bedtime!

BY CAR

Glenside is a short distance from the Fort Washington exit of the Pennsylvania turnpike, and at the end of Easton Road (the old stagecoach route from New York to Philadelphia, with a stop in Easton, PA).

More information can be found here:

<https://www.arcadia.edu/admissions/visit-arcadia/getting-campus>

- **Oak Summit Apartments**

Most of the GNSI conference attendees will be staying at Oak Summit – Building B.

Registration – including acquiring room keys, etc. – will take place in the lobby of the apartment complex. Park in front of the complex while checking in, and then you will be directed to a nearby lot to park more permanently. Parking is free, but ask for a parking permit to display on your dashboard. While conference sessions are being held, you may also park on the campus proper if you don't want to walk (5 min. walk). Many empty parking spots will be available to you – but make sure you display your permit!

Saturday, Sunday and Monday (morning, at least) registration will take place in the lobby of the Oak Summit apartment complex. After that it may be moved – new location TBD!

Room lighting is limited in Oak Summit. If you own a small desk lamp (such as a tensor lamp), it would be a good idea to bring it!

- **Arcadia Conference Services**

Personal care are available 24 hours a day, in case you need something at an unusual hour! E-mail might be the most efficient way to contact someone there.) (215-572-2998 or conferenceservices@arcadia.edu)

- **Campus Map**

A map of the Arcadia campus can be found here:

<https://www.arcadia.edu/admissions/visit-arcadia/campus-map>

The Oak Summit can be found at the top right of the map, between Limekiln Pike and Easton Road.

Primary conference locations are the Dining Complex (with a star on the gray roof), the Commons (across the central lawn from the Dining Complex), the Castle (that looks like a castle!), Brubaker Hall (between the Commons and the Castle) and Murphy Hall (on the southwest corner of the campus – with a star on its red roof).

- **Campus Security**

In the unlikely event that you should need to contact campus security, the main phone number is 215-572-2900.

- **Climate**

Eastern Pennsylvania, like much of the “northeast corridor” is hot and humid in July, so come prepared to perspire! (Consider buying a GNSI bandana to wipe the sweat from your brow.) The vast majority of the buildings we will be using are air conditioned, and nothing on campus is very far away from anything else, but especially if you are planning to participate in one of the “wilder” field trips – such as canoeing, hiking or just walking around outside, come prepared!

- **Insects and Things**

Though the Arcadia campus is relatively mosquito free, there is water here and there, and you might want to bring insect repellent. If you are registered for the Pine Barrens field trip, you will definitely want to bring insect repellent – though the mosquitos might not be as prevalent as you might expect. HOWEVER, ticks might be an issue.

- **Glenside, PA**

The website describes some of the delights of Glenside. For those of you who are arriving on SATURDAY, there is a farmer's market at the Glenside train station – until about 2 PM. Also, as mentioned on the website, the Glenside 4th of July parade is kind of unique, at least in the 21st century. Additional information about this event can be found here:

<http://www.glensidejuly4thevent.com/july-4th-events.html>

In addition to the Glenside restaurants mentioned on the website, there are two more worth mentioning:

TreVi Pizza & Pasta (a short walk from the Glenside train station on Glenside Avenue)

Trios Tomato Pie (north on Easton Road)