



APRIL 2023

Dear Widener Families,

It seems like we were just welcoming students to campus to begin the fall semester and now we are approaching commencement and the summer season! It's been a wonderful year and our students have grown academically, emotionally and socially. Your support has made all the difference.

I am pleased to offer this opening message because I am excited to draw your attention to news coming out of Widener Dining. We welcomed a new dietitian to the Widener Dining team this spring, and she is a valuable resource for students who have dietary restrictions or

preferences related to things like allergies, intolerances, or lifestyle. In addition, our Executive Chef Matthew Clarke won the Aramark Culinary Excellence competition for the mid-Atlantic region this spring and will compete at the national level over the summer. We wish him well. Also this summer, the university will implement changes that bring new eateries into University Center, including Cinnabon and Auntie Anne's pretzels, and will move Moe's Southwest Grill there from Harris Hall. We are excited to watch this progress!

Linda Kiraly Gilbert MBA,
Vice President, Administration and Finance

STORIES



Responding to student feedback and needs, Widener will shuffle several of its retail dining locations for fall 2023, including moving **Moe's Southwest Grill** to the University Center and adding an **Auntie Anne's Pretzels** and **Cinnabon** outlet.

[Learn more.](#)

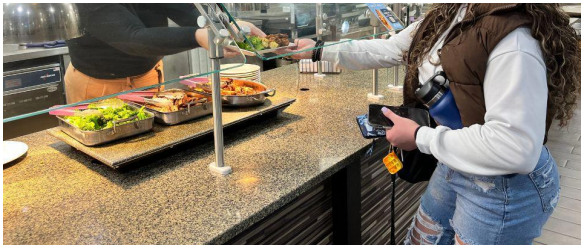


What's cooking? Widener Dining's own **Executive Chef Matthew Clarke** recently took home top honors at the Aramark Culinary Excellence competition for the mid-Atlantic region.

[Learn more.](#)



Widener students have an exceptional new health-focused resource available to them beginning this spring. **Registered dietician Nora Abraham** is now part of the Widener Dining program.



Dining program.

[Learn more.](#)

Visit Our **Widener Pride Families** website for exciting new content! Read up on talking to your student about [mental health](#), supporting their [academic success](#), and [being a good roommate or neighbor](#).



Two [new grant opportunities](#) demonstrate how Widener's partnerships with high-profile Philadelphia-area employers benefit students in pursuit of their degrees.



Widener University has been recognized by [Colleges of Distinction](#), a resource widely used by students and families when making their college decisions.



An internship the Delaware County Office of Sustainability through [Widener's Experience MORE! program](#) shifted Stephen DiDonato's '24 career down a clear and sustainable route.

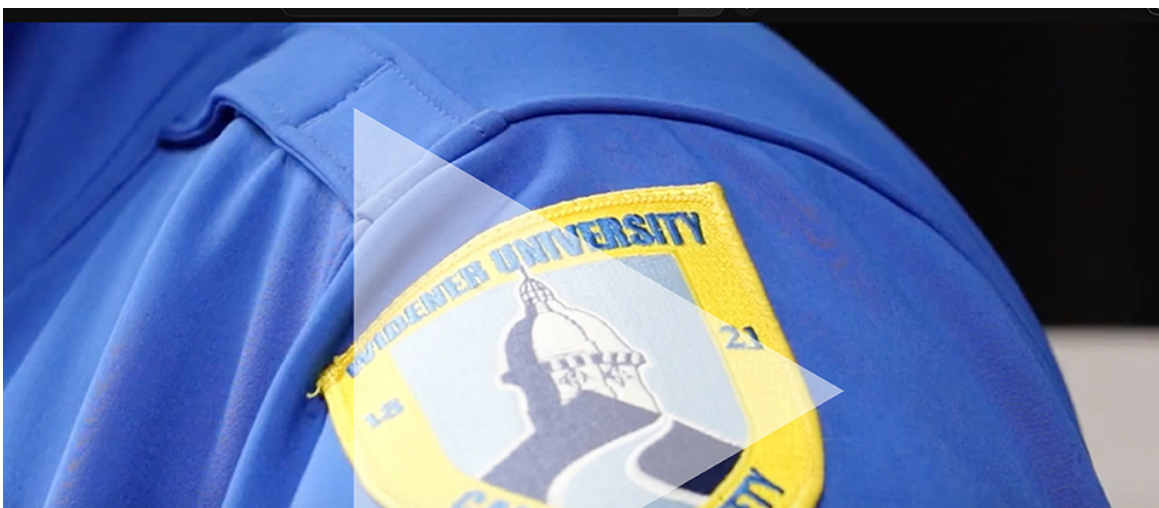


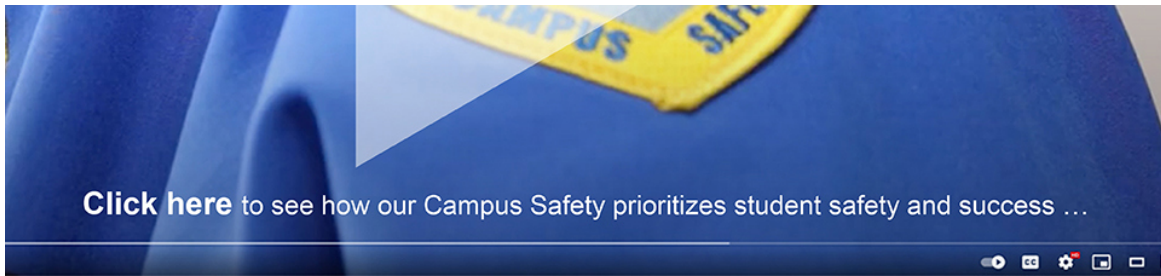
Congratulations to three winter athletic teams and coaches, who posted [big wins for The Pride](#) and moved into important championships.



We officially installed [President Stacey Robertson](#) to her leadership role with a week of [inauguration events](#) that reflected her commitment to ensuring all students feel they belong at Widener.

Do you have a student who is graduating? Our [commencement web pages](#) have all the information you need to celebrate with them, from caps and gowns to ceremony schedules, parking and more!





Explore [tuition discounts available](#) to many Widener alumni who decide to continue studying with the Pride.

WIDENER IN THE NEWS



HUFFPOST — Maureen Coyle, assistant professor of psychology, is quoted in this article discussing generational differences in texting etiquette.



PHILADELPHIA INQUIRER — President Stacey Robertson co-authored this OPED on prioritizing mental health with college students.



CHESTER SPIRIT — Justin O'Grady, a first-year student in the Institute for Occupational Therapy Education, authored this article about his experience as the OT coordinator in the Chester Community Clinic.



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DATES TO NOTE — *helpful dates to keep you and your student informed*

Monday, April 3 – Registration for summer and fall classes opened and continues through summer.

Monday, April 10 – The summer housing application opened and Bridge Week housing applications were sent to residential students.

Friday, April 21 – Bridge Week housing applications were due.

Tuesday, April 25 – Summer housing assignments are sent via Widener email and on a rolling basis thereafter.

Friday, April 28 – Last day of spring classes.

Friday, April 28 – Spring fling, 1–5 p.m. Memorial Field.

Friday, April 28 – Late-night breakfast, 9–11 p.m. Pride Café.

Monday, May 1 – Deadline to submit the FAFSA to be considered for Pennsylvania state grant funding for students enrolling in summer 2023, fall 2023 or spring of 2024. Contact Widener Financial Aid Services at 610-499-4161 or finaidmc@widener.edu with questions.

Monday, May 1 through Friday, May 5 – Final exams. Students are expected to move out of the residence halls within 24 hours of their last finals.

Friday, May 5 – Residence halls close at 6 p.m. Only students walking in graduation or staying for bridge housing may remain.

Tuesday, May 9 – All grades are submitted to the registrar. Students can check final grades in Student Planning through myWidener.

Tuesday, May 9 – Thursday, May 11, Commencement ceremonies, Memorial Field.

Friday, May 12 – Commencement ceremony severe weather makeup date if necessary, Memorial Field.

Sunday, May 14 – 11 a.m.–2 p.m., Summer housing move-in, bridge housing transition.

Monday, May 15 – Summer undergraduate classes begin.

Thursday, June 1 – Last day for returning students to add themselves to the waitlist for single rooms and apartment-style housing for the upcoming academic year.

Friday, June 30 – Last date to submit a housing release through the housing portal to cancel for fall semester or the academic year for any reason with no financial penalty.

Monday, July 31 – Last date to submit a housing release through the housing portal to cancel for fall semester or the academic year for any reason with a \$250 cancellation fee.

KEEPING IN TOUCH

Your feedback is so important to creating a healthy and supportive environment for your student's learning experience at Widener University. Please contact us with any questions about the articles we shared at studentaffairs@widener.edu

Division of Student Affairs

Call 610-499-4385, email studentaffairs@widener.edu.
Office located on first floor of University Center.

Office of Residence Life

Call 610-499-4390, email residencelife@widener.edu.
Offices located in Cann Hall.

Widener Dining

Email campusdining@widener.edu.

Student Health Services

Call 610-499-1183, email studenthealth@widener.edu.
Located in Metropolitan Hall on campus.

Counseling and Psychological Center (CAPS)

To make an appointment, call 610-499-1261.
Located at 522 E. 14th Street on campus.

Enrollment Services (Lipka Hall)

Visit Lipka Hall on the corner of 14th and Potter Streets
Call 610-499-4161

• **Financial Aid Services**

- **Bursar** (tuition/billing/payment plan office)
- **Registrar Office**
- **Campus1Card Office**



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