



## FAQ For Princeton Quadrangle Club's Pricing Change for 2012-2013

### **Q: What will Quadrangle's rate be for the 2012-2013 school year?**

A: Quad intends to set its rate at the same rate charged by the University for its unlimited meal plan. In 2011, this rate was \$5,473.

Because we will be matching the University rate, you'll pay the same amount to join Quad as you would to select the University's unlimited meal plan. And as a member of Quad, you'll get to take advantage of the many additional benefits of club life!

### **Q: What is the problem with the current system?**

A: We know that many students want to join a club, but can't for financial reasons. We know that the club system has capacity to take on many additional undergraduate members. Obviously, there is a problem here.

Princeton has done wonderful things with its financial aid policy over the past several years, making the Princeton experience accessible to talented students from many different cultural and financial backgrounds. As members of the University community (and as alumni), we applaud these changes!

Princeton believes that its goal (with respect to financial aid) should be to provide choices for undergraduate students. We support that goal.

However, after talking with many students who have joined Quad only to subsequently drop out for financial reasons, we feel that many students would prefer to join a club, but find that choice unavailable to them and their families because of finances.

### **Q: Why is Quadrangle offering this reduced rate?**

A: We firmly believe that the club experience is a profoundly positive one for our members. We also believe that many students feel forced out of the club system by financial pressures on themselves and their families.

By adjusting our fees for this coming year, we hope to demonstrate that there is expansive interest in joining an eating club amongst undergraduates, but that the current financial aid policies do not offer real substantial choice to those most in need of aid. We also hope to fill our club with happy members, ensuring a fulfilling, vibrant community for our members and alumni.



**Q: How long will this rate be in effect?**

A: At this time, we are offering a reduced rate for the 2012-2013 year. We cannot commit to any specific pricing for following years, though we will continue to strive to make a high-quality, affordable offering, as we do every year.

**Q: Who is eligible for this rate?**

A: While space is available and this offer remains extended, any undergraduate who selects Quadrangle as their eating club choice and who signs our contract for the 2012-2013 year will be eligible for the reduced pricing. Reduced pricing is available for both rising juniors and seniors.

**Q: Does this rate cover all my expenses for Club membership?**

A: This rate will cover the lifetime membership fee, the house fee, the social fee, and board for one year of membership. Contact a Quad undergraduate officer for more information.

**Q: What about the sophomore fee?**

A: For the Spring term of 2012, Quad is reducing its sophomore fee to \$400.

We understand that some of you may have difficulties making this payment. We want to make sure you know that the Financial Aid office is willing to work with you to set up an aid plan to cover this fee. Additional aid may also be available; please contact a Quad undergraduate officer for more information.

We hope that many of you will take advantage of joining Quad as a sophomore member at this rate, in order to take advantage of the many benefits available to our sophomore members; however it is not a requirement in order to join at the reduced rate for the 2012-2013 year.

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