

## Short Answering Questions:

**Question 1: Describe your most important extracurricular activities in order of importance. Consider academic, work, volunteer, and community service experiences.**

### 1. Aspirational Dream Work

(1)Name of Activity: Aspirational Dream Work (school institution for student dream&rights)

(2)Position: Leader, Founder

(3)Numbers of years involved: 3

(4)Activity Description:

The purpose of this project is to assist students who wish to pursue their interests but are unsure of how to proceed. Our goal is to support the realization of all dreams (that are currently achievable). We directly communicate with some specific department in the school that are helpful for bringing their "dreams" to come true after we have thoroughly reviewed their plans. Students who require assistance are asked to complete a form that indicates their needs, concerns, and ideas. Once we have verified these details and given our approval, we will directly engage with the relevant part of the school (if necessary) to begin working on their idea. I am personally concerned that, with the abundance of activities and resources available, students(especially freshman) may find it challenging to identify the appropriate path to follow.

(5)Major Accomplishment:

Until now, we have already successfully held photography exhibitions, established a Water Polo club at BNDS, which is the first high school water polo club in mainland China, etc. In addition to this, there is a branch of our work dedicated to acting as an investigative body that collects students' suggestions for improving the campus and ensuring the school rules are reasonable. We leverage our access to communicate with various departments of the school, aiming to provide students with a better quality of life. We have done some, including improvements to internet services, the 7th-floor restaurant, improper schedules,etc.

### 2. BNDS Investment Club

(1)Position: Co-founder

(2)Numbers of years involved: 2

(3)Activity Description: A club focused on financial markets and macroeconomics. I joined in September as a co-founder and began sharing foundational knowledge of personal finance with students who lacked this understanding, aiming to equip them with a basic comprehension for their life needs. Considering that some students might have an academic interest in finance or economics, this year we endeavored to participate in the Wharton Investment Competition, not merely as competitors but also as mentors to members who wished to join. Furthermore, this year we initiated collaborations with several business clubs in Beijing, forming a business alliance (start-up).

Ultimately, we achieved a 4/5-star rating, which few clubs got a 5, from the school's evaluation for clubs.

### 3. Honduras Glasses Project

(1)Position: Founder

(2)Numbers of years involved: 3

(3)Activity Description: A charity dedicated to assisting impoverished students in Honduras. We learned from our Honduran teacher that it can be quite challenging for some students our age or younger who are nearsighted to afford glasses, hindering their ability to learn and function normally (as food is no longer a significant issue). With the goal of aiding these students, coinciding with the establishment of diplomatic relations between China and Honduras, we started our efforts in October 2022. We raised funds through student art exhibitions and school-wide events, allocating all

proceeds towards purchasing eyeglasses. (We collaborate with local factories and organizations that can support our cause.)

4. Service in Beijing Volunteer Service Federation (BVF)

(1) Position: Member

(2) Numbers of years involved: 3

(3) Activity Description:

Beijing Volunteer Service Federation (BVF) is a nonprofit social organization which joins and unites volunteer service organizations in the city. I have been a member and have started doing volunteer work (community service). To date, I have accumulated 190 hours of service.

5. UCLA Summer School from Summer Discovery

(1)Topic: Business management of Sports, Entertainment, and Social media

(2)Time participated: 07/2023

(3)Description: Focused on Business Management, incorporating elements of sports, entertainment, and social media. I attended UCLA Anderson School, where professor and guest speakers from various companies shared insights about the business world. It was my first encounter with American culture, which left a lasting impression on me. Additionally, I had a great opportunity to connect with different people and make new friends.

6. The Wharton global high school investment competition, in which I was most actively involved, was my first attempt. Although I did not get a good score, we tried our best. After that, I recognized my lack of knowledge. But it really strengthened my understanding and sparked my interest in all things related to the business world.

7. Teacher Assistant

8. Member of School Student Union

**Question 2: Describe a leadership moment of importance to you.**

The moment I helped my friend find the right way to deal with activity and got the idea to establish "Aspirational DreamWork" to assist my peers who have achievable dreams in school. When I first came to my high school, I thoroughly enjoyed sharing my interests with others and wanted to start a business club. However, establishing the club took much longer than I expected due to the overwhelming resources provided by the school. Despite this, I eventually started my club.

One day, my friend approached me, expressing that he felt anxious because many students had found clubs that interested them, but he had not. He had the idea of starting his own club but did not know how to proceed and even lacked the motivation to study since that; his study-abroad agent was also pressuring him to do so. As knowing I have one, he sought my help. Upon hearing this, I attempted to soothe his emotions and make him feel more comfortable with himself. Drawing on my own experience, I reassured him that everything happens in its own time and that he do not have to worry. Once he had calmed down, I engaged in a deeper conversation with him and discovered that he wanted to organize an club that would combine his interest in mathematics with his passion for history. I introduced him to a math teacher who is responsible for club(from my experience in establishing the club) and guided him on how to achieve his goal. The process was underway, and he shared his plans with me on several occasions, to which I offered my feedback. Ultimately, the club was a great success within the school community.

This experience also prompted me to reflect on the fact that many students may feel anxious and helpless when they first enter school and need guidance in balancing their time between activities and studies. As a result, this made me I found "Aspirational DreamWork" to help others.

### **Question 3: Why Penn Law?**

As a student who interests in business, I would like to expand my view of the world not only limited by business fields (like finance, or analysis). I would like to experience different disciplines and willing to gain some inspiration from each one. Since I am a fan of Buddhism, its core ideas really made me want to help others. My goal in business is not only earn profit by operating, but also do the business that can definitely help people's life. And trying to treat it as fair as possible (may not that relate to Penn Law, but I would like to share). And Penn Law is the one can help me develop. Doing business have inevitably to deal with law. By studying basic US laws, I can be more clear with the objective justice, and finding the protection of human rights. (As I am trying to protect my peers rights). By combining both legal and moral judgement, I want to be more clear with the current issue and find the right solution.

What's more, different from other programs, Penn Law's cross-disciplinary approach aligns perfectly with my wants. It offers inspiration from a variety of perspectives, allowing me to gain a better understanding and more innovative ideas from an official standpoint. The subjects of business and entrepreneurship law, environmental law, and human rights are areas I am particularly eager to explore. Additionally, Penn Law is one of the top law schools worldwide. Its professional knowledge has been proven over time, and I have complete trust in its authority compared to other institutions, also, I am hoping to meet like-minded people as well.

Additionally, I have learned some legal concepts while studying business, and this exposure has sparked a personal interest in law. To broaden my understanding, I have read few law books, such as "Law 101" and "The Spirit of Law" (although I may not grasp them as deeply as business books). These readings have reinforced my belief that law is a field that can be genuinely beneficial to me, which motivates me to delve deeper into it.

ADDITIONAL (Feel free to skip): Some reasons that Upenn attracted me

Upenn is attractive to me primarily because of its global ranking and high-standard education, which provide additional support to students. However, what draws me to Upenn over other top universities is its course offerings and the environment, both physically and academically. Upenn is the place that will help me achieve my goals. It seeks intellectually curious students who desire to contribute positively to the world, providing useful support as they have already established a stable environment that aids students not only in their academic studies but also offers reasonable assistance needed to contribute to real-world work. It is a place where "People with genuine passions can turn their ideas and interests into action." The opportunity for me to find like-minded individuals who could become lifelong best friends and potential long-term collaborators, people who truly align with me and share similar aspirations, is priceless. As Mr. Franklin said, "What you seem to be, be really," we are assured of the sincerity of the people we interact with, and we can trust them, fostering a great academic environment conducive to applying knowledge in the real world and networking effectively. The emphasis on real jobs rather than mere "experience" aligns perfectly with my ambition to engage in meaningful work and contribute to society.