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Penn SDK is the Python library for writing code that interfaces with University of Pennsylvania data. It consists of wrappers for the Registrar, Dining, and Directory API's

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CHAPTER 1

Registrar API Wrapper

This documentation explains the methods of the `Registrar` object. For the specific fields on the objects returned by these methods, see [the official documentation](#).

Note: The Penn Data Warehouse performs nightly maintenance, which causes downtime for Penn InTouch and the Penn OpenData Registrar API. This will throw an `APIError` in the SDK, which client applications can catch and try to fetch the data again later.

class `penn.registrar.Registrar(bearer, token)`
The client for the Registrar. Used to make requests to the API.

Parameters

- **bearer** – The user code for the API
- **token** – The password code for the API

Usage:

```
>>> from penn import Registrar  
>>> r = Registrar('MY_USERNAME_TOKEN', 'MY_PASSWORD_TOKEN')
```

course (`dept, course_number`)

Return an object of semester-independent course info. All arguments should be strings.

```
>>> cis120 = r.course('cis', '120')
```

department (`dept`)

Return an iterator of all course-info objects in a department, in no particular order.

search (`params, validate=False`)

Return a generator of section objects for the given search params.

Parameters

- **params** – Dictionary of course search parameters.

- **validate** – Optional. Set to true to enable request validation.

```
>>> cis100s = r.search({'course_id': 'cis', 'course_level_at_or_below': '200'}  
    ↵)
```

search_params()

Return a dictionary of possible search parameters and their possible values and descriptions.

section(dept, course_number, sect_number)

Return a single section object for the given section. All arguments should be strings. Throws a *ValueError* if the section is not found.

```
>>> lgst101_bfs = r.course('lgst', '101', '301')
```

CHAPTER 2

Dining API Wrapper

This documentation explains the methods of the `Dining` object. For the specific fields on the objects returned by these methods, see [the official documentation](#).

`class penn.dining.Dining(bearer, token)`

The client for the Registrar. Used to make requests to the API.

Parameters

- **bearer** – The user code for the API
- **token** – The password code for the API

Usage:

```
>>> from penn import Dining
>>> din = Dining('MY_USERNAME_TOKEN', 'MY_PASSWORD_TOKEN')
```

`menu_daily(building_id)`

Get a menu object corresponding to the daily menu for the venue with building_id.

Parameters `building_id` – A string representing the id of a building, e.g. “abc”.

```
>>> commons_today = din.menu_daily("593")
```

`menu_weekly(building_id)`

Get an array of menu objects corresponding to the weekly menu for the venue with building_id.

Parameters `building_id` – A string representing the id of a building, e.g. “abc”.

```
>>> commons_week = din.menu_weekly("593")
```

`venues()`

Get a list of all venue objects.

```
>>> venues = din.venues()
```


CHAPTER 3

Directory API Wrapper

This documentation explains the methods of the `Directory` object. For the specific fields on the objects returned by these methods, see [the official documentation](#).

`class penn.directory.Directory(bearer, token)`

The client for the Directory. Used to make requests to the API.

Parameters

- **bearer** – The user code for the API
- **token** – The password code for the API

Usage:

```
>>> from penn import Directory  
>>> d = Directory('MY_USERNAME_TOKEN', 'MY_PASSWORD_TOKEN')
```

`detail_search(params, standardize=False)`

Get a detailed list of person objects for the given search params.

Parameters `params` – Dictionary specifying the query parameters

```
>>> people_detailed = d.detail_search({'first_name': 'tobias', 'last_name':  
    ↴ 'funke'})
```

`person_details(person_id, standardize=False)`

Get a detailed person object

Parameters `person_id` – String corresponding to the person's id.

```
>>> instructor = d.person('jhs878sf03b38b0d463b16320b5e438')
```

`search(params, standardize=False)`

Get a list of person objects for the given search params.

Parameters

- `params` – Dictionary specifying the query parameters

- **standardize** – Whether to standardize names and other features, currently disabled for backwards compatibility. Currently standardizes names, lowerscases emails, and removes faculty label from affiliation.

```
>>> people = d.search({'first_name': 'tobias', 'last_name': 'funke'})
```

CHAPTER 4

Transit API Wrapper

This documentation explains the methods of the `Transit` object. For the specific fields on the objects returned by these methods, see [the official documentation](#).

`class penn.transit.Transit(bearer, token)`

The client for Transit. Used to make requests to the API.

Parameters

- `bearer` – The user code for the API
- `token` – The password code for the API

Usage:

```
>>> from penn import Transit
>>> trans = Transit('MY_USERNAME_TOKEN', 'MY_PASSWORD_TOKEN')
```

`apc(start_date, end_date)`

Return all APC data packets in date range

Parameters

- `start_date` – The starting date for the query.
- `end_date` – The end date for the query.

```
>>> import datetime
```

```
>>> today = datetime.date.today()
```

```
>>> trans.apc(today - datetime.timedelta(days=1), today))
```

`configuration()`

Return route configuration info

```
>>> route_config = trans.configuration()
```

`mdt(start_date, end_date)`

Return all MDT data packets in date range

Parameters

- **start_date** – The starting date for the query.
- **end_date** – The end date for the query.

```
>>> import datetime  
>>> today = datetime.date.today()  
>>> trans.mdt(today - datetime.timedelta(days=1), today))
```

prediction()

Return route data and time predictions

```
>>> predictions = trans.prediction()
```

stopinventory()

Return a list all transit stops.

```
>>> stops = trans.stopinventory()
```

stoptimes (start_date, end_date)

Return all stop times in the date range

Parameters

- **start_date** – The starting date for the query.
- **end_date** – The end date for the query.

```
>>> import datetime  
>>> today = datetime.date.today()  
>>> trans.stoptimes(today - datetime.timedelta(days=1), today)
```

transapc (start_date, end_date)

Return detail of boardings, alightings, by vehicle and stop, including the passenger load leaving the stop (this is only for vehicles equipped with APC hardware)

Parameters

- **start_date** – The starting date for the query.
- **end_date** – The end date for the query.

```
>>> import datetime  
>>> today = datetime.date.today()  
>>> trans.transapc(today - datetime.timedelta(days=1), today))
```

CHAPTER 5

Map API Wrapper

This documentation explains the methods of the `Map` object. For the specific fields on the objects returned by these methods, see [the official documentation](#).

`class penn.map.Map(bearer, token)`

The client for the Map Search API.

Parameters

- **bearer** – The user code for the API
- **token** – The password code for the API

Usage:

```
>>> from penn import Map  
>>> n = Map('MY_USERNAME_TOKEN', 'MY_PASSWORD_TOKEN')
```

`search(keyword)`

Return all buildings related to the provided query.

Parameters keyword – The keyword for your map search

```
>>> results = n.search('Harrison')
```


CHAPTER 6

News API Wrapper

This documentation explains the methods of the `News` object. For the specific fields on the objects returned by these methods, see [the official documentation](#).

`class penn.news.News (bearer, token)`

The client for the News Search API.

Parameters

- **bearer** – The user code for the API
- **token** – The password code for the API

Usage:

```
>>> from penn import News  
>>> n = News('MY_USERNAME_TOKEN', 'MY_PASSWORD_TOKEN')
```

`search(keyword)`

Return all news related to the provided query.

Parameters keyword – The keyword for your news search

```
>>> results = n.search('interview')
```


CHAPTER 7

Laundry Website Scraper

This documentation explains the methods of the `Laundry` object. This SDK module is implemented by scraping the laundry alert service.

`class penn.laundry.Laundry`

The client for Laundry. Used to make requests to the API.

Usage:

```
>>> from penn import Laundry  
>>> l = Laundry()
```

`all_status()`

Return names, hall numbers, and the washers/dryers available for all rooms in the system

```
>>> all_laundry = l.all_status()
```

`create_hall_to_link_mapping()`

Returns Mapping from hall name to associated link in SUDS. Creates inverted index from id to hall

`hall_status(hall_id)`

Return the status of each specific washer/dryer in a particular laundry room.

Parameters `hall_id` – Integer corresponding to the id of the hall. This id is returned as part of the all_status call.

```
>>> english_house = l.hall_status("English%20House")
```

`machine_usage(hall_no)`

Returns the average usage of laundry machines every hour for a given hall.

The usages are returned in a dictionary, with the key being the day of the week, and the value being an array listing the usages per hour.

Parameters `hall_no` – integer corresponding to the id number for the hall. Thus number is returned as part of the all_status call.

```
>>> english_house = l.machine_usage(2)
```

CHAPTER 8

Library Website Scraper

This documentation explains the methods of the `StudySpaces` object. This SDK module is implemented by scraping the Penn Libraries LibCal website.

class `penn.studyspaces.StudySpaces`

Used for interacting with the UPenn library GSR booking system.

Usage:

```
>>> from penn import StudySpaces  
>>> s = StudySpaces()
```

get_buildings()

Returns a list of building IDs, building names, and services.

static get_room_id_name_mapping(building)

Returns a dictionary mapping id to name, thumbnail, and capacity.

get_rooms(building, start, end)

Returns a dictionary matching all rooms given a building id and a date range.

static parse_date(date)

Converts library system dates into timezone aware Python datetime objects.

CHAPTER 9

Penn Academic Calendar API

This documentation explains the methods of the `Calendar` object.

`class penn.calendar3year.Calendar`

`pull_3year()`

Returns a list (in JSON format) containing all the events from the Penn iCal Calendar.

List contains events in chronological order.

Each element of the list is a dictionary, containing:

- Name of the event ‘name’
- Start date ‘start’
- End date ‘end’

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