

**ACADEMY OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE SCIENCES’
PHILADELPHIA CONFERENCE GUIDE – MARCH 2026**

CONFERENCE HOTEL

Philadelphia Marriott Downtown
1201 Market Street, Philadelphia, PA 19107
Phone: (215) 625-2900
<https://www.marriott.com/phldt>

TRANSPORTATION TO PHILADELPHIA

Air: Philadelphia International Airport (PHL)

- Taxi/rideshare: 15–30 minutes
- SEPTA Airport Line to Jefferson Station

<https://www.phl.org>

Rail: 30th Street Station

- Amtrak & SEPTA Regional Rail
- Approx. 10 minutes to the hotel by taxi

<https://www.amtrak.com> | <https://www.septa.org>

Driving:

- Downtown traffic and one-way streets are common
- Hotel valet and nearby garages available

TOP 6 MUST-DO ACTIVITIES

1. Independence Hall – <https://www.nps.gov/inde>
2. Liberty Bell Center – <https://www.nps.gov/inde>
3. National Constitution Center – <https://constitutioncenter.org>
4. Museum of the American Revolution – <https://www.amrevmuseum.org>
5. Reading Terminal Market – <https://readingterminalmarket.org>
6. Philadelphia Museum of Art – <https://philamuseum.org>
Alternative: Mütter Museum – <https://muttermuseum.org>

AMERICA250 CONTEXT (MARCH 2–7, 2026)

Philadelphia is the national focal point of the United States’ 250th anniversary.
Expanded interpretation, exhibitions, and civic programming will be active citywide.
Official updates: <https://www.visitphilly.com/2026-philadelphia>

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RESTAURANTS

Hard Rock Café – <https://www.hardrockcafe.com/location/philadelphia/>
Maggiano’s Little Italy – <https://www.maggianos.com/locations/pennsylvania/philadelphia/>
McGillin’s Olde Ale House – <https://mcgillins.com>
Bank & Bourbon – <https://www.bankandbourbon.com>
El Vez – <https://elvezrestaurant.com>
Amada – <https://www.amadarestaurant.com>
Fork – <https://forkrestaurant.com>
Talula’s Garden – <https://talulasgarden.com>
Continental Midtown – <https://continentalmidtown.com>
Parc – <https://parc-restaurant.com>
Zahav – <https://zahavrestaurant.com>
Suraya – <https://surayaphilly.com>

BARS AND NIGHTLIFE

The Franklin Mortgage & Investment Co. – <https://www.thefranklinbar.com>
Ranstead Room – <https://www.ransteadroom.com>
Hop Sing Laundromat – <https://www.hopsinglaundromat.com>
Sassafras – <https://sassafrasbar.com>
Plough & the Stars – <https://ploughstars.com>
Johnny Brenda’s – <https://johnnybrendas.com>
Frankford Hall – <https://www.frankfordhall.com>
The Fillmore Philadelphia – <https://www.thefillmorephilly.com>
Bob & Barbara’s Lounge – <https://bobandbarbaras.com>

TOURS AND PUBLIC ART

Independence Visitor Center – <https://www.phlvisitorcenter.com>
Grim Philly Twilight Tours – <https://www.grimphilly.com>

Mural Arts Philadelphia – <https://www.muralarts.org>

- Justice- and incarceration-focused murals
- Guided walking and trolley tours
- Reentry, trauma-informed, and restorative justice programming

OTHER SITES

Eastern State Penitentiary – <https://easternstate.org>
Fireman’s Hall Museum – <https://www.firemanshallmuseum.org>
National Liberty Museum – <https://www.libertymuseum.org>

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CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY WALKING ROUTE

Start/End: Philadelphia Marriott Downtown

Independence Hall → National Constitution Center → Philadelphia Police Museum →

Fireman's Hall Museum → Independence Mall → (Optional rideshare) Eastern State

Penitentiary

Professional use Note: All sites are provided for educational and professional reflection.

RESTAURANTS (ORDERED BY DISTANCE FROM HOTEL)

Distance	Restaurant	Website	Best For
 5–7 min walk	Hard Rock Cafe Philadelphia	https://www.hardrockcafe.com/location/philadelphia/	Groups, casual
 5–7 min walk	Maggiano's Little Italy	https://www.maggianos.com/locations/pennsylvania/philadelphia/	Groups, business dinner
 5–7 min walk	Reading Terminal Market	https://readingterminalmarket.org	Quick meals, groups
 5–7 min walk	Bank & Bourbon	https://www.bankandbourbon.com	Business dinner
 5–7 min walk	McGillin's Olde Ale House	https://mcgillins.com	Groups, late-night
 8–12 min walk	El Vez	https://elvezrestaurant.com	Groups, lively
 8–12 min walk	Continental Midtown	https://continentalmidtown.com	Casual
 8–12 min walk	Fork	https://forkrestaurant.com	Business dinner
 8–12 min walk	Amada	https://www.amadarestaurant.com	Tapas, groups
 10–15 min ride	Parc	https://parc-restaurant.com	Business dinner
 10–15 min ride	Zahav	https://zahavrestaurant.com	Reservations
 10–15 min ride	Suraya	https://surayaphilly.com	Groups, reservations

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Distance	Venue	Website	Best For
 5–10 min walk	McGillin’s Olde Ale House	https://mcgillins.com	Groups, casual
 5–10 min walk	Franklin Mortgage & Investment Co.	https://www.thefranklinbar.com	Cocktails
 5–10 min walk	Ranstead Room	https://www.ransteadroom.com	Craft cocktails
 10–15 min walk	Hop Sing Laundromat	https://www.hopsinglaundromat.com	Cocktails
 10–15 min walk	Sassafras	https://sassafrasbar.com	Historic bar
 10–15 min walk	Plough & the Stars	https://ploughstars.com	Pub
 10–15 min ride	Johnny Brenda’s	https://johnnybrendas.com	Music
 10–15 min ride	Frankford Hall	https://www.frankfordhall.com	Beer garden
 10–15 min ride	The Fillmore Philadelphia	https://www.thefillmorephilly.com	Concerts
 10–15 min ride	Bob & Barbara’s Lounge	https://bobandbarbaras.com	Late-night

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HISTORIC SITES AND CRIMINAL JUSTICE-RELEVANT LOCATIONS
(ORDERED BY DISTANCE)**

Distance	Site	Website	Focus
 10–15 min walk	Independence Hall	https://www.nps.gov/inde	Constitution, law
 10–15 min walk	Liberty Bell Center	https://www.nps.gov/inde	Civic symbols
 10–15 min walk	National Constitution Center	https://constitutioncenter.org	Civil liberties
 10–15 min walk	Museum of the American Revolution	https://www.amrevmuseum.org	State power
 10–15 min walk	Fireman’s Hall Museum	https://www.firemanshallmuseum.org	Emergency response
 10–15 min walk	Mural Arts Philadelphia	https://www.muralarts.org	Justice & reentry
 10–15 min ride	Philadelphia Museum of Art	https://philamuseum.org	Iconic landmark
 10–15 min ride	The Franklin Institute	https://www.fi.edu	Science & innovation
 10–15 min ride	Barnes Foundation	https://www.barnesfoundation.org	Fine art
 10–15 min ride	Mütter Museum	https://muttermuseum.org	Medical ethics
 10–15 min ride	Eastern State Penitentiary	https://easternstate.org	Corrections
 10–15 min ride	Penn’s Landing	https://www.delawariverwaterfront.com	Memorial space

All walking times are approximate from the Philadelphia Marriott Downtown.