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Wharton Mailing List Migration to Penn Listserv (Early Adopters)

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On April 6, Wharton's mailing list service will move from a Wharton-hosted solution to a Penn-hosted service, allowing Wharton to reduce duplication of effort and cut costs.

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A group of early adopters has been identified and is working with us to help refine our directions and processes. This group of list owners will have their lists migrated early, on **March 9**. A big Thank You to this group!

> After the migration, the way you approve a message will change slightly.

Timeline

Target Date	Communication Type and Audience
March 3	Early Adopter identification via email
March 9	Migration of Early Adopter lists
March 9	Announcement to the entire Wharton community (subsequent reminders to follow)
April 6, 1:00 PM	**Mailinglist app will close for pre-migration maintenance for ALL USERS**
April 6, 2-5 PM	**Mailing list migration for ALL MAILING LISTS**
April 6, 5-6 PM	Mailinglist app will re-open following "All Clear" from Wharton Computing

What's Needed from Me as an Early Adopter?

Please notify the teams and individuals who regularly write to your mailing lists so they are aware that, after the

migration, the way they use the mailing list will change slightly:

- There will be a delay in delivery the first time they send to the newly migrated list
- The "From address" of the list will look a bit different (wha-<*listname*>@lists.isc.upenn.edu)

Otherwise, please use your mailing list as normal and provide any feedback to apps-support@wharton.upenn.edu regarding the self-confirm and self-moderation process. If our instructions need clarification, we want to do so before rolling this change out to the wider Wharton Community.

Please keep this announcement link handy, as we will post updates to timelines and other important information here.
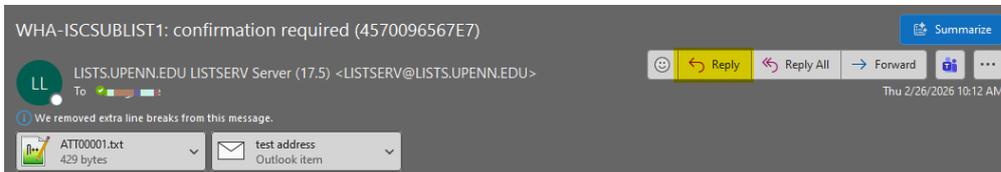
What's Changing

> Early Adopter lists will not be visible in Mailinglist app until everyone has been migrated on April 6, 2026. If you require a change, please send a ticket to **apps-support@wharton**, detailing the change.

Moderation and Self-Confirmation

- While you will continue to email your list as normal, ie. <listname>@wharton.upenn.edu , **when self-confirming or moderating, you will no longer go through the Mailinglist application.** Instead, you will receive an email prompt for a confirmation from ISC's listserv. Reply to that prompt with **OK** in your message and your email will be released for distribution.
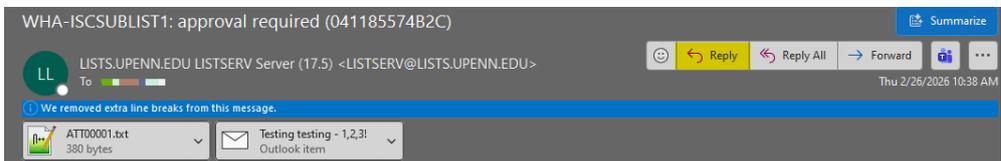
Self-Confirmation:

WHA-ISCSUBLIST1: confirmation required (4570096567E7)

LISTS.UPENN.EDU LISTSERV Server (17.5) <LISTSERV@LISTS.UPENN.EDU>
To
We removed extra line breaks from this message.
Thu 2/26/2026 10:12 AM

ATT00001.txt 429 bytes | test address Outlook item

For security reasons, the WHA-ISCSUBLIST1 list has been configured to request positive confirmation of messages posted to the list. You must now confirm that the enclosed message did originate from you. To do so, simply reply to the present message and type "OK" (without the quotes) in the text of your message.

If this does not work, or if the message did not originate from you, then contact the list owner for assistance.

Moderation:

WHA-ISCSUBLIST1: approval required (041185574B2C)

LISTS.UPENN.EDU LISTSERV Server (17.5) <LISTSERV@LISTS.UPENN.EDU>
To
We removed extra line breaks from this message.
Thu 2/26/2026 10:38 AM

ATT00001.txt 380 bytes | Testing testing - 1,2,3! Outlook item

This message was originally submitted by ▄▀▟@WHARTON.UPENN.EDU to the WHA-ISCSUBLIST1 list at LISTS.UPENN.EDU.

You can approve it using the "OK" mechanism, by replying to this message and typing OK in the text of the message.

You may also ignore it, or repost an edited copy. The message will expire automatically. You do not need to do anything if you just want to discard it.

Please refer to the List Owner's Manual at
https://urldefense.com/v3/__http://www.lsoft.com/resources/manuals.asp__;!!IBzWLUs!RKmqz1VppJJpxK9_0Bbnq90wW3HaVzXklrPc7tHwVX3l-zKhxdnI1WKxdpqjDNgUI-iKVDg0Pc2cMK3EjKcMC_f222SDV-Y$ if you are not familiar with the "OK" mechanism.

Other Changes

- Postings will appear to come from **sender on behalf of wha-<listname>@lists.isc.upenn.edu**
- Penn's software that runs the mailing lists includes a feature that delays delivery of email the **first time** a

subscriber sends to a list. Once migrated, your list will be considered a new list by Penn's listserv, so the first time any of your owners/editors/moderators/subscribers send to the list, there will be a delay of up to 12 minutes. Subsequent submissions will process normally.

What's Not Changing

- You can still contact a mailing list as you normally do.
- Users will "reply-all" as normal, which will send to <listname>@wharton.upenn.edu
- Currently, Wharton mailing list management is done via the Mailinglist app. Penn's Listserv lists are managed through Penn's ISC listserv interface. **For Wharton mailing lists, we do not recommend using Penn's listserv interface as your list will no longer be in sync with Mailinglist app. If you edit your Wharton mailing list using the ISC interface, Wharton Computing will no longer be able to support your list.**

Questions?

Please send questions or comments to apps-support@wharton.upenn.edu .