UNIVERSITY OF PITTSBURGH
STEP BY STEP INSTRUCTIONS FOR PLACING CASTLEBRANCH ORDER

- Log into the CastleBranch portal and select Place Order
  https://discover.castlebranch.com/

- Enter Package Code (See attached instruction sheet with code {UF97 PA resident or UF97b non-PA resident}) and Submit

- Review package, agree to Terms and Conditions of Use, and Continue

For Pennsylvania Residents
  - $108.74 pricing includes several background checks + Document Manager Package. Additional separate pricing needed is $23.00 for the DHS FBI Fingerprint Background Check and $13.00 for the PA DHS Child Abuse Background Check for a total of $144.74.

For Non-Pennsylvania U.S. Residents
  - $125.74 pricing includes several background checks + Document Manager Package. Additional separate pricing needed is $23.00 for the DHS FBI Fingerprint Background Check and $13.00 for the PA DHS Child Abuse Background Check for a total of $161.74.

- For students who wish to get their fingerprints taken in the state where you reside, contact CastleBranch at 1-888-723-4263, Opt. #1, then listen to options. Request that your PA fingerprints be switched to the state where you live. Please ask for an ink card when talking to the CastleBranch’s Customer Service representative. This will allow you to get your fingerprints in your home state instead of waiting to come to the University of Pittsburgh to obtain your fingerprints. In your P2-P4 years, when renewing your account, these can be done at School no need to do out-of-state prints.
For International Students

- Please contact the Office of Experiential Learning (Anna Schmotzer/Robie Gosney) to receive pricing and package codes for the following countries (Cameroon, Canada, China, Japan, Jordan {Middle East}, Korea, Mexico, Taiwan and Vietnam). Pricing varies based on the county you reside. Once you have created your account in your country of residence, you will then need to complete the package code “For Pennsylvania Residents” – see page 1 for pricing. Please note pricing for either cannot be waived.

- Fill in personal information and select Next.

- There are then 7 total steps you will need to complete. Once you finish you will need to pay. You always have an opportunity to “chat” with a CastleBranch representative at any time.
SCREEN SHOTS TO ASSIST WITH PLACING ORDER

- Enter Package Code (See attached instruction sheet with code {UF97 PA resident or UF97b non-PA resident})

- Review what you need to complete in your CastleBranch order and accept terms to continue.

- Fill in personal information and select Next
There are 7 steps (step 1 is place order) you will need to complete. You always have an opportunity to “chat” with a CastleBranch representative at any time.

Step 2 (create password).

Step 3 (place order), includes:
- PA Criminal Background History Check (Act 34)
- Document Manager Package
FBI Fingerprint (Identigo) – ($23.00)
Once your account is created, you will be provided a “To Do List” under the Document Manager section to complete. All directions on how to obtain clearances (FBI Fingerprint and DHS Child Abuse Background checks) will have specific directions to follow, there is a link in your CastleBranch to do list to take you to these agencies. Follow the specific directions on their website.
For the FBI Fingerprints, once you complete and pay for the check, the agency will send you a one-time email to be accessed within 24 hours. Open the email from a computer. Do not open on a cell phone or tablet because you will not be able to save and/or print. The email cannot be resent and once it is opened -- you cannot try to open again.
- The clearances will also be sent via the US Mail, and you should receive the hard copy within 7-10 business days.
- **If you do not receive your FBI fingerprinting results within 7- 14 Business days**, you will need to call the Department of Human Services at 1-877-371-5422, and then listen to the prompts and select option #4. This will allow you to speak directly with a representative and let them know when you completed your fingerprints and that it has been longer than 14 days and you still have not received your results. They will be able to see the status of your results are and where they were mailed.

DHS PA-Child Abuse Background ($13.00)
Follow the specific directions on their website.
- You will receive an automated email that your results are viewable and you can download the certificate and upload to your CastleBranch account. This can take up to 7-14 days.
- You also have the options to obtain a hard copy in the US Mail within 14 business days at the address you indicated on your application. If you have not received your PA-Child Abuse Background within 14 days either electronically or by mail please contact the DHS at 1-877-371-5422 opt #4.

Step 4 (order overview)
- Step 5 (Payment information)
- Step 6 (Review)
- Step 7 (Accept and Submit)

If you have any additional questions, please contact the Office of Experiential Learning (Robie Gosney (rog8@pitt.edu or (412) 383-7542 or Anna Schmotzer (annas@pitt.edu or 412-624-8186).