Admission Checklist

To complete your application for review for admission, you will need to submit the following:

1. Your online application
2. $75 nonrefundable application fee
3. A copy of your secondary school records
4. An official copy of your postsecondary school records (if applicable)
5. A certified, line-by-line English translation of original school records (if applicable)
6. AP, IB, or IGCSE scores (if applicable)
7. Official SAT/ACT scores
8. English proficiency. All international students whose native language is not English must provide proof of language proficiency in any ONE of the following ways:
   - A minimum TOEFL score of 80 on the Internet-based TOEFL or 550 on the paper exam
   - A minimum IELTS score of 6.5 on the academic test
   - SAT score of 570 or higher on the Evidence-Based Reading and Writing Section
   - ACT score of 24 or higher on the English section
   - IGCSE score of A, B, or C on the English language exam
   - IB score of 5 or higher on the English exam
   - Certification through Penn State’s Intensive English Communication Program

Admission Timeline for International Students

**Summer/fall admission**
- Application available: September 1
- Complete application priority filing date: February 1
- Notification date: By May 1

**Spring admission**
- Application available: June 1
- Complete application priority filing date: October 1
- Notification date: By December 1
The table shows the academic credentials of applicants offered admission for the 2017 fall semester. The high school grade information reflects U.S.-style grade reporting.

**Middle 50 Percent of Admitted Students (Fall 2017)**
For estimating purposes only.

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<th>High School GPA</th>
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<th>SAT Score*</th>
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**Includes information technology, facilities, student activities, and international fees

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<th>Living Expenses</th>
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Includes on-campus room and board, clothing, laundry, personal care expenses, local transportation, and approximately $1,600 for books and supplies

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<th>Mandatory Medical Insurance</th>
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<td>$58,500</td>
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Source: University Office of Global Programs

**Financial Aid**
Currently, financial aid is not available to students who are not U.S. citizens or permanent residents.

U.S. citizens and permanent residents living abroad must fill out the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) to be considered for financial assistance. The FAFSA is available online at [fafsa.ed.gov](http://fafsa.ed.gov) on October 1. Penn State’s recommended filing date for the FAFSA is February 15.

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**A Penn State for You**
There is only one Penn State. But there are 20 different starting points across Pennsylvania that can lead to a Penn State degree.

While University Park is the largest campus and widely recognized as Penn State’s flagship location, more than 30,000 students attend classes, conduct research, join clubs, and compete in team sports at campuses other than University Park. Many of those students participate in the 2+2 plan, a way to experience all of Penn State.

Here’s how the 2+2 adds up: first two years in a small college atmosphere at a campus other than University Park; final two years in the large, major research university setting at University Park completing your degree.

Learn more about the 2+2 plan and find a campus that’s right for you at [admissions.psu.edu/pennstate](http://admissions.psu.edu/pennstate).
What extracurricular activities interest you? and study? At what size campus would you be most comfortable? Do you want to live on or off campus?

In choosing a campus, think about the following: In what part of Pennsylvania would you like to live and study? At what size campus would you be most comfortable? Do you want to live on or off campus? What extracurricular activities interest you?
The best way to find out if a campus is right for you is to visit our website: admissions.psu.edu/campuses.
### MAJORS BY AREA OF INTEREST

*Online degree program only available through Penn State’s World Campus*

#### Architecture and Environmental Design
- **Architectural Engineering**
- **Architecture**
- **Landscape Architecture**
- **Landscape Contracting**

#### Arts (Visual and Performing)
- **Art (B.A., B.F.A.)**
- **Art Education**
- **Art History**
- **Arts Administration**
- **Digital Media, Arts, and Technology**
- **Digital Multimedia Design**
- **Graphic Design**
- **Integrative Arts**
- **Interdisciplinary Digital Studio**
- **Music (B.A., B.M.)**
- **Music Education**
- **Musical Arts**
- **Musical Theatre**
- **Theatre (B.A., B.F.A.)**
- **Visual Art Studies**

#### Biological (Life) Sciences
- **Biobehavioral Health**
- **Biochemistry and Molecular Biology**
- **Biological Anthropology**
- **Biological Engineering**
- **Biology**
- **Biomedical Engineering**
- **Biotechnology**
- **Food Science**
- **Forensic Science**
- **Immunology and Infectious Disease**
- **Kinesiology**
- **Microbiology**
- **Nutritional Sciences**
- **Plant Sciences**
- **Science**
- **Toxicology**
- **Veterinary and Biomedical Sciences**

#### Business
- **Accounting**
- **Agribusiness Management**
- **Arts Administration**
- **Business**
- **Business Economics**
- **Corporate Communication**
- **Corporate Innovation and Entrepreneurship**
- **Economics**
- **Energy and Sustainability Policy**
- **Energy Business and Finance**
- **Finance**
- **Golf Management**
- **Health Policy and Administration**
- **Hospitality Management**
- **Information Sciences and Technology**
- **Information Systems**
- **Interdisciplinary Business with Engineering Studies**
- **International Business**
- **Labor and Employment Relations**
- **Management**
- **Management Information Systems**
- **Marketing**
- **Project and Supply Chain Management**
- **Recreation, Park, and Tourism Management**
- **Risk Management**
- **Supply Chain and Information Systems**
- **Telecommunications**

#### Communications
- **Advertising/Public Relations**
- **Communication**
- **Communication Arts and Sciences**
- **Communications**
- **Corporate Communication**
- **Creative Writing**
- **Digital Media, Arts, and Technology**
- **Film-Video**
- **Journalism**
- **Media Studies**
- **Professional Writing**
- **Telecommunications**

#### Computer and Information Systems
- **Computer Engineering**
- **Computer Science**
- **Data Sciences**
- **Digital Media, Arts, and Technology**
- **Information Sciences and Technology**
- **Information Systems**
- **Management Information Systems**
- **Security and Risk Analysis**
- **Social Data Analytics**
- **Software Engineering**

*Among the “53 ‘International Powerhouse’ Universities,” Times Higher Education*

*#52, Center for World University Rankings for 2016*

*#68, Times Higher Education World University Rankings for 2016-17*

*#13 in the U.S. for international student enrollment, 2014-15*

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Biological Anthropology
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Criminal Justice
Criminology
Earth Science and Policy
Economics
Energy and Sustainability Policy*
Geography

Global and International Studies
Health Policy and Administration
Human Development and Family Studies
Information Sciences and Technology
Integrated Social Sciences*

International Politics
Labor and Employment Relations
Law and Society*
Political Science
Psychological and Social Sciences
Psychology, Applied
Psychology
Public Policy
Rehabilitation and Human Services
Security and Risk Analysis
Social Data Analytics
Sociology

Undecided (Exploratory)
Division of Undergraduate Studies (an enrollment and advising unit for students who prefer to explore several academic programs before choosing a major)

For the most up-to-date majors information, visit: admissions.psu.edu/majors

UNIVERSITY-WIDE ENROLLMENT (FALL 2016)
Undergraduate 84,686
Graduate/Medical/Law 14,447

UNIVERSITY-WIDE INTERNATIONAL STUDENT ENROLLMENT (FALL 2016)
Undergraduate and Graduate 9,909
First-year University Park 873
First-year University-wide 1,842

COLLEGES AND ACADEMIC AREAS
admissions.psu.edu/academics/colleges
Agricultural Sciences agsci.psu.edu
Arts and Architecture artsandarchitecture.psu.edu
Smeal College of Business smeal.psu.edu
Donald P. Bellisario College of Communications bellisario.psu.edu
Earth and Mineral Sciences ems.psu.edu
Education ed.psu.edu
Engineering http://www.engr.psu.edu
Health and Human Development hhd.psu.edu

Information Sciences and Technology ist.psu.edu
Liberal Arts la.psu.edu
Nursing nursing.psu.edu
Eberly College of Science science.psu.edu
Schreyer Honors College shc.psu.edu
Division of Undergraduate Studies dus.psu.edu

SERVICES FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS
Pre-Arrival Advising and Visa Matters 814-865-6348 (option 1)
international@psu.edu

International Student Orientation 814-865-7681
orientation.psu.edu

Intensive English Communication Program 814-865-7550
iecp.psu.edu

International Student Advising 814-865-6348
global.psu.edu

ACADEMIC ENRICHMENT AND SERVICES
Athletics/Varisty Coaching Staff 814-863-0237
http://www.gopsusports.com

Career Services/Internships 814-865-2377
studentaffairs.psu.edu/career

Housing 814-865-7501 (University Park)
814-865-7862 (Commonwealth Campuses)
housing.psu.edu

Learning Edge Academic Program (LEAP) (Summer at University Park) 814-863-4174
leap.psu.edu

Student Activities 814-863-4624
studentaffairs.psu.edu

Student Aid (financial aid and scholarships) 814-865-6301
studentaid.psu.edu

Student Disability Resources 814-863-1807 (voice or TTY)
equity.psu.edu/ods

Undergraduate Research 814-863-1864
undergradresearch.psu.edu

“The best part of Penn State is our people—no matter what country they may call home. We support all of you.”
—DR. ERIC J. BARRON, PENN STATE PRESIDENT
Penn State has a language and culture all its own. Here’s some background on Penn State history and traditions.

The Pennsylvania State University: The University’s full name used for formal documents, legal contracts, mailing addresses, certificates, and forms; the University is commonly referred to as Penn State

School Colors: NAVY BLUE AND WHITE

Nittany Lion: Penn State’s school mascot, modeled after the mountain lions that once roamed the region; the Nittany Lion takes its name from Mount Nittany, a local landmark near Penn State’s University Park campus

Penn Stater: A term referring to those associated with Penn State, namely its students, alumni, and athletic teams’ fans

For the Glory: A phrase from Penn State’s alma mater, the University’s official song played at functions like graduation and athletic contests

We Are...Penn State!: A cheer that is shouted at football games and other University events; it is not unusual for Penn Staters wearing Penn State apparel to hear someone call out “We Are” anywhere in the world

Nittany Lion Shrine: A stone statue on campus depicting the Nittany Lion; a popular spot for photos

Old Main: The stately administrative building on the University Park campus; it is one of Penn State’s most distinctive landmarks

All In: An ongoing commitment to spotlight the importance of diversity and inclusivity at Penn State, and inspire all members of the community to take an active role in promoting respect and diversity; for more information visit: allin.psu.edu