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Finding the program that fits you best

YOU HAVE SO MANY THINGS ON YOUR MIND. Which college should you choose? What should you major in once you’re there? Is it okay to change your mind? Whether you know where you want to end up after graduation or still need some time to sort it out, it’s likely that Penn State has an academic program for you. No matter which path you choose, you will earn a high-quality education and a degree that employers respect.
What should I study?

Not sure what to major in at Penn State? Not a problem. The Division of Undergraduate Studies (DUS) is for students who haven’t decided which field to study. You can try out different courses and majors to determine which one fits you best. To help you on this journey, you have an academic adviser who will help guide you through the exploration process.

TRACEY EDOUARD knew she wanted to attend Penn State but wasn’t sure how she would combine her interests in communications and the arts. Tracey entered DUS and began to explore classes and extracurricular activities in these areas. In her first year at Penn State, she got to observe actors in a Theatre 100 class, receive credit for playing the violin in the Sinfonietta orchestra, and explore classes in several other academic areas.

Tracey formed a close relationship with her DUS adviser, Laura Brown. “She was really like a second mom to me,” she says. “She helped me pick majors and minors and was always there to answer any other questions I had. It seemed like she always knew exactly what I wanted; it’s amazing how quickly she got to know me.”

Tracey, who is from Long Island, New York, eventually decided on the Advertising/Public Relations major. She’s part of the Great Show Squad, a group of students who do on-field promotions at Penn State football games, and helped capture Penn State’s forty-six-hour dance marathon on film last year. “I was looking for a school where I could have my independence,” she says. “I liked Penn State because it’s close enough to home, but I can be on my own and be around other people who are excited to be here, too.”
The importance of advisers

Advisers played a key role in MOHAMED RAOUDA’S college experience. Mohamed (“Mo” for short) started his Penn State experience at Penn State Altoona. While there, he worked closely with advisers to help transition to college life after moving to the United States from Beirut, Lebanon.

“Coming from a different country, I wanted to integrate into the culture at a small campus,” he says. “The student services were great and I felt very quickly like I was part of a community.”

Once he arrived at University Park, Mo, who majored in International Politics, began studying Middle East history. He found an academic mentor in Arthur Goldschmidt, a professor emeritus in the field. Although he’s retired from Penn State, Arthur still teaches one class per semester and often meets with students, including Mo, to discuss projects and future plans.

“Art loves this field so much and wants to teach about it. He invited us to dinner at his home and to view the collection in his library. He’s very well respected in the field and it was an honor for me to learn from him,” Mo says.

Transitioning from high school to college

New Student Orientation helps first-year students evaluate their educational plans before they register for their first-semester classes. The orientation is the first stage in preparing for your academic future at Penn State. Once you accept your offer of admission, you will receive information about taking an online placement test and coming to campus to meet with academic advisers and schedule classes. All course scheduling is done online, so making changes is easy if you want to add, drop, or change a course.

The summer before her first year, ERICA FOLEY, who majored in Biology, came to Penn State for New Student Orientation not knowing what to expect: “I figured that, with thousands of students there, personal attention and help with making my schedule was unlikely. But that’s exactly what I received.” A professor from her intended major talked with her about classes she would enjoy, and several students offered their insight on classes, student life, and things to do off campus.
If you’re interested in studying abroad, Penn State can help you get there. Thousands of students study abroad every year in more than fifty-four countries throughout Africa, Asia, Europe, Latin America, and the Middle East, as well as Australia and New Zealand.

These programs contribute to the global expansion of Penn State’s classroom walls. MATEA DUJMUSIC, who majored in Secondary Education with an English/Communication Teaching option, spent her junior year studying abroad in Sweden and England as part of the Consortium for Intercultural Reflective Teachers (CIRT) program, which takes a student cohort to each country. The group, whom Matea calls her “second family,” spent a year at Penn State after a year in Europe. While abroad, Matea and her classmates studied the differences among the educational systems in the three countries, which she says was a very enlightening experience. “In Europe, the cultures are much more mixed together than they are here, so we learned how to avoid bringing our cultural biases into the classroom,” she says. “It was also interesting to see how much Sweden is focused on teaching democracy in the classroom, compared to the schools here.”

Matea is no stranger to life abroad. She was born in Bosnia and lived in Austria and Germany before moving to the United States at age 11. She started her Penn State experience at the Greater Allegheny campus because of its proximity to her home in Pittsburgh. “I was going through the application process and visited the Greater Allegheny campus. It was very welcoming and I felt at home,” she says. “I wanted to stay close to home at first, so it was a good fit for me.” Following Matea’s example, her younger sister is now a student at the Greater Allegheny campus and plans to transition to University Park for her junior and senior years.

Penn State also supports service-oriented trips that allow students to help make a difference in the lives of those less fortunate. While other students were kicking back at the beach during spring break, a group of twenty Penn State Altoona students and their faculty chaperones spent a week volunteering at a community school and orphanage in the Dominican Republic. They played with the young students, taught them English, and made hundreds of candles for a fundraiser at the school.
Research for undergraduates

Research is not just for science majors. LAUREN PERROTTI, majoring in both Italian and Spanish, explored the use of e-readers in academic settings and worked with a German professor to study how people read in German. “Penn State is one of the few places where you can do everything. I wanted to be able to do research and study abroad. I can do that here and there's such a great support system.”

Christopher Hong

“I see a huge potential for growth.”

“Penn State is giving me research opportunities at a level that is amazing for an undergraduate. To be working at a university known globally as a research leader helps me imagine my own potential for growth, along with the fields I’m studying.

“As an undergraduate Bioengineering major, I feel very fortunate to be an involved with research in the emerging field of tissue engineering. One of my projects involves creating artificial tissue that can mimic live human tissue. Someday, artificial tissue can be used in surgical procedures.”
HOW DOES STUDYING IN A SUBMARINE in the Gulf of Mexico with a world leader in animal ecology sound? For a number of Biology students, this opportunity was a dream come true. Chuck Fisher, professor of biology, is another example of an outstanding faculty member who combines classroom learning with hands-on research. Pictured here, Dr. Fisher and several of his students prepare to embark on a deep-sea exploration trip to research ice worms.

EVEN THOUGH PENN STATE HAS THOUSANDS OF STUDENTS, there’s still plenty of opportunity for one-on-one interaction with faculty and staff. LAURA MATEY, who majored in Theatre, developed a close academic relationship with professor MATT TORONTO.

“Matt was an amazing teacher and mentor for me. I learned so much about acting, directing, the world of theatre, and life in general from him,” she says. “When we started a new project, Matt always said, ‘Challenge yourself with this show so that in the end you have something to be proud of.’ That really stuck with me and I try to apply that to the work I do.”

Laura worked with her academic adviser, ANNIE MCGREGOR, to make sure she was on track to graduate on time. Laura’s adviser also helped her plan a study abroad experience at the London Theatre Academy, where she studied Shakespeare and visited some of the sites mentioned in his works.

Learning outside the classroom

ATHENA ABATE, an Electrical Engineering major, has already gotten a taste of what life will be like after she leaves campus for the “real world,” thanks to a yearlong co-op at NASA’s Goddard Space Flight Center in Greenbelt, Maryland.

“I worked on research to determine whether there will be a collision between two spacecrafts in orbit. I got to present my work with other Penn Staters—everyone from recent alumni to people who graduated in the 1970s.”

Athena, who began her Penn State education at the Hazleton campus, is confident her co-op experience will lead to a full-time job with NASA after she graduates. In the long term, Athena plans to attend graduate school and become an engineering professor: “There are so few female engineering teachers and I hope to be one of the people who changes that.”
Challenge yourself

If you are looking for an exceptional challenge that will test your scholastic abilities, consider the Schreyer Honors College, Penn State’s University-wide honors program (shc.psu.edu). It provides highly motivated students with tremendous opportunities to enrich their college experience through close interaction with faculty, honors course offerings, grants to support research and study abroad, extensive out-of-classroom programs, and the completion of an honors thesis.

ELI GLAZIER, a Schreyer Scholar majoring in International Politics, has taken advantage of several of these opportunities. An information sciences and technology honors course took him to the Center for Strategic and International Studies, a think tank in Washington, D.C., where he had the opportunity to interact with policy leaders. That experience led to a summer internship at the center. “I met a lot of very interesting people and had the chance to work on updating the educational curriculum for visiting students,” he says. Eli also enjoys the small classroom environment of his honors courses, like an international affairs class taught by Dennis Jett, a professor in that field. The class has eight students, allowing for many in-depth discussions and lively debates.

WE’RE HERE TO HELP—Penn State is a big place with lots of options. We are eager to help you understand all of the opportunities now available to you.
HOW BIG ARE THE CLASSES?
Class sizes vary, depending on the campus and type of class. At campuses other than University Park, classes generally have twenty or fewer students. Class size at University Park depends on the course, but 85 percent of first-year classes have fifty or fewer students.

WHO TEACHES CLASSES?
Most classes are taught by Penn State's full-time faculty. For some introductory courses at some campuses, a supervised teaching assistant serves as the primary instructor.

WILL I HAVE AN ADVISER?
Yes. Each student is assigned an academic adviser. In fact, you may make use of advisers in other academic areas. Career advising is also available to all students.

SMEAL BUSINESS STUDENTS BENEFIT from state-of-the-art technology in the Rogers Family Trading Room. Functioning as both a classroom and a laboratory facility, the Trading Room replicates an authentic trading room environment. Students can conduct studies on global financial markets, stock trading, options, and other elements found in today's global economies.

WANT TO KNOW MORE?
See pages 26–29 for more information about academics or visit admissions.psu.edu.
Finding your place: Figuring out which campus is the best fit for you

BY NOW YOU PROBABLY KNOW that Penn State isn’t a single place. We have twenty undergraduate campuses throughout Pennsylvania. Being big has its advantages: it gives you the freedom to pick which campus suits you best. Some students choose to remain at one campus for all four years, while others spend their first two years at one campus and transition to another for their remaining two years. We call this approach the 2+2 plan and it’s the most common path to a Penn State degree.
PENN STATE UNIVERSITY PARK IS BY FAR THE LARGEST PENN STATE CAMPUS, WITH OVER 40,000 UNDERGRADUATES. THE STUDENTS WHO START HERE—ABOUT 40 PERCENT—GENERALLY ARE HERE THROUGH GRADUATION. THE REMAINING 60 PERCENT BEGIN AT ONE OF OUR NINETEEN OTHER CAMPAUSES.

NADIA AND KRISTINA WYRSTA started at Penn State Abington, located in their hometown, to help their family save money. With two older sisters who are also Penn State graduates, the Wyrstas knew how much of a financial savings the 2+2 program could be. Students can save thousands of dollars per year by starting at a campus other than University Park. “We went to Catholic school, so there wasn’t much money left over for college,” Kristina says. “We attended the Abington campus and worked in the admissions office to earn money while we were there.

“When we saw Penn State Abington and Penn State University Park, we thought, ‘This is what a campus should look like,’” Nadia says. “We never thought about going anywhere else. It really feels like you’re at college here.”

ALCINA BAYLEY began her college career at Penn State Hazleton, stayed there for two years, and then moved to Penn State Erie, The Behrend College. She chose to attend Penn State Hazleton because of its proximity to her home and transitioned to Behrend to finish her degree in International Business. “I chose Behrend because it was bigger than Hazleton but smaller than University Park. I knew that when I started classes there the teachers would know me by name and not by a number.”

At Behrend, Alcina was a member of the Equestrian Club and vice president of Theta Phi Alpha sorority, an experience that gave her self-confidence and helped hone her leadership abilities. She also had the opportunity to travel to China, visiting the cities of Hong Kong, Beijing, Xi’an, and Shanghai. “My parents are really proud of me for getting into a well-respected school, and I had great experiences at both campuses.”
THE MULTICAMPUS SYSTEM

Penn State’s diverse campus sizes make it easy for you to find your perfect fit.

A campus close to home

With twenty undergraduate campuses across Pennsylvania, you will find everything from the intimate small-college experience to the intensity and excitement of a major university setting. No matter which campus you choose, you’ll be getting a world-renowned Penn State education.

Some campuses just feel like home.

“You get the big Penn State environment in a community-like setting that’s very welcoming at Altoona. I decided to study there all four years because I like the community setting and it’s close to University Park campus.

“Even though I chose to stay at Altoona, I was part of a group that eased the transition to University Park for fellow students.

“I was involved in many other campus activities: president of the student government; vice president of Lion Ambassadors, a group that gives tours to prospective students and families; and captain of the Ultimate Frisbee team. I’ve loved my time here.”

BEN BROOKS
If I want to complete my degree at University Park after starting at another Penn State campus, what are the requirements?

Typically, you transition to University Park after completing your first two years of full-time study toward a baccalaureate degree, as long as you are in good academic standing.

Which campus is best for me?

What you would like to study and the kind of learning environment you prefer can affect your choice of campus. While most campuses offer the first two years of study for nearly all of Penn State’s academic programs, each campus has its own array of academic offerings. There are other things to keep in mind as well: In what part of Pennsylvania would you like to live and study? What size campus do you find 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 schedule a visit through our website at admissions.psu.edu.

Can I get the major I want at any campus?

For most of Penn State’s more than 160 majors, you can complete the first two years of study at any Penn State campus. Please consult the majors listing on pages 26–29 and our website at admissions.psu.edu for more information.

WANT TO KNOW MORE?

See pages 26–29 for more information about academics or visit admissions.psu.edu.
Get involved

Making Penn State your own

WHAT’S THE BEST WAY TO ADJUST to college and make friends? Two words: get involved. The Penn State experience goes beyond the courses you take by offering more than 1,200 clubs and organizations across twenty campuses.
Division III sports are offered at Penn State Abington; Penn State Altoona (above); Penn State Berks; Penn State Erie, The Behrend College; and Penn State Harrisburg.

There’s always something to do

Whether you are interested in music, sports, movies, salsa dancing, ceramics, or archery, Penn State has a group to help you get involved.

LYNN NGUYEN, a student in the Science five-year B.S./M.B.A. program, has had a chance to explore many aspects of Penn State’s extracurricular activities. “Concerts, free entertainment, sports, football games, free movies, game nights, pool, Super Smash Bros. competitions—there is a ton to do around here,” Lynn says.

Across Penn State, events are planned to get students excited and involved. Open-mike nights, coffeehouses, comedy shows, musical performances, and dances are just some of the social events our campuses have to offer.

And the fun isn’t limited to campus events. Weekend getaways to New York City are a favorite of Penn State Hazleton students, who board a University-sponsored bus and travel to the Big Apple for a day of sightseeing, shopping, and shows. Other campuses provide a similar service.

What do you like to do? Odds are you aren’t alone and you can find a club that matches your interests. Want to try something new? Now is your chance. We strive to provide students with diverse opportunities and activities that help enrich the Penn State experience.

Visit clubs.psu.edu to see which clubs and organizations are available at the campuses you’re considering.

“There’s a ton to do around here.”

—LYNN NGUYEN
CAROLYN HIGGINS is not worried about keeping busy. From putting skills learned in her nursing classes to work for the Red Cross to introducing new students to myriad community service opportunities at Penn State University Park, she has found plenty to keep her schedule full. Carolyn, from Carlisle, Pennsylvania, figured out quickly that the way to make connections at Penn State is through student organizations. She has served as executive director of Fresh START (Students Taking an Active Role Today); a mentor for LEAP (Learning Edge Academic Program); and a member of the Penn State Student Red Cross Club, South Halls Residence Association, Student Nurses’ Association of Pennsylvania, DiscipleMakers Christian Fellowship, and Women’s Leadership Institute.

“One of the first things I got involved with when I came to Penn State was Fresh START, a service program for new students. I was entering a new community and I immediately felt like I was part of something bigger than myself,” says Carolyn. Serving as executive director of Fresh START, she helped new students find connections to local community service projects. This effort culminates in a day of service just before classes start. “The ‘Alma Mater’ states that as first-year students we arrive ‘shapeless’ and, through years of being part of the blue and white culture, we are ‘molded’ into different individuals for the better,” Carolyn says. “We participate in these service experiences because ‘we are Penn State,’ and it’s the Penn State thing to do.”

“I danced for 46 hours straight.”

“Every part of me ached. Then they announced we raised over $13 million. Everyone started hugging and crying. It was life changing.

“I’m one of 15,000 Penn State students fighting pediatric cancer. Together, we make THON the largest student-run philanthropy in the world.”
ACADEMIC/PROFESSIONAL—From the Astronomy Club to the Wildlife Society, we offer extremes and everything in between. All of our academic areas have special-interest clubs and organizations that will take your learning to a whole new level. Hands-on experience, intense topic discussions, networking, and professional development are just a few of the benefits you will gain.

THE ARTS—You don’t have to be a student in an arts-related major to get involved in a student performance group. Whether your interest is singing, acting, or playing an instrument, there are lots of ways to pursue it. RYAN GIANOLA, a Hospitality Management major at University Park, chose to continue his love of singing by joining the Penn State Glee Club, for which he served as vice president last year. With the club, he has performed around Pennsylvania and even went to New Zealand. “We have a real brotherhood here,” Ryan says. “These guys are some of my best friends.”

ATHLETICS—With our large selection of intercollegiate, intramural, and club sports programs, you’re bound to find something that is a good fit for you. University Park offers intercollegiate competition at the Division I, club, and intramural levels. Our other campuses offer a multitude of athletic choices, including Division III, club sports, and intramural teams. JOE DEGOL, who is majoring in Computer Engineering and Mathematics, has experienced a variety of these sports. In his first two years at Penn State Altoona, Joe played forward for their Division III soccer team. When he transitioned to University Park, he got involved with the intramural soccer program.

STUDENT LEADERSHIP—From community service to student government, we want you to share your thoughts and ideas to make Penn State and the world a better place. University Park Bioengineering major ELAINE TANELLA did that by combining her interest in nanomedicine with her work on Penn State’s IFC/Panhellenic Dance Marathon (THON). Her research on methods to carry chemotherapy drugs to certain sites in the body closely related to her role as overall chair for THON, which has raised millions of dollars for children with cancer. “Penn State shaped me to be multifaceted—a Bioengineering major can do communications. I loved THON and being involved and spreading awareness about pediatric cancer research.”
“Whatever campus you’re on, you’ll find a lot of ways to get involved and meet great people. I have an amazing group of friends who are like a big family that has made me love Penn State more than I ever thought possible.”

“Getting involved makes the size of the school seem less daunting.”

“When I first looked at Penn State, I was afraid of its size and worried I would be a lonely fish in a big pond. Joining activities allowed me to meet my very best friends.
**HOW DO I GET INVOLVED?**

At any Penn State campus, you can participate in a variety of sports, clubs, organizations, and recreational activities—student government organizations, musical groups, publications and communications organizations, performing arts organizations, nationality and diversity organizations, clubs formed around academic interests, religious and spiritual organizations, and dozens of special-interest groups. No matter what Penn State campus you attend, you’ll find a rich and diverse social and cultural life, both on campus and in the community.

**CAN I BE IN MUSIC OR PERFORMING ARTS GROUPS EVEN IF THAT ISN’T MY MAJOR?**

Definitely. Most music and performing arts groups are open to students in any major, though an audition may be required. The availability of music and performing arts groups varies by campus.

**DOES PENN STATE HAVE FRATERNITIES AND SORORITIES?**

Different fraternities and sororities are available, depending on which campus you attend. Penn State has fifty-nine fraternities and thirty-five sororities.

**LATE NIGHT PENN STATE**

Latenight Penn State, an alcohol-free entertainment venue at University Park, offers movies, concerts, crafts, and cultural events. Late Night also offers films on Thursdays, a full slate of programs on Friday and Saturday evenings, and two showings of recently released movies on Sundays. Student favorites include swing and salsa dances; karaoke and videoke; live music of all types; hypnotists; sideshow artists; and magicians.

Want to Know More?

See the inside back cover for more information on student life or connect with Penn State students on social media.
What it’s worth to you

Understanding the value of a Penn State degree

A COLLEGE EDUCATION IS A SERIOUS INVESTMENT for you and your family. As you explore the colleges on your short list, you will find that a Penn State education is an exceptional value in higher education.
WORKING TOWARD YOUR DEGREE  For some Penn State students, an important part of funding for their education comes through federal and state work-study programs. Through these programs, eligible students work an average of fifteen hours per week in work-study positions throughout the University.

In some cases, the work-study experience is in an area directly related to the student’s field of study. A Security and Risk Analysis major born in Massachusetts and raised in Mexico, MARCOS HERNANDEZ really enjoyed his time as a work-study student in the College of Information Sciences and Technology. While there, he helped organize events and did whatever else was needed around the office.

“Work-study really helps me with expenses—rent, tuition, supplies, and food. Also, the people in financial aid are very nice. I had two problems and they were very helpful in pointing me in the right direction. A loan didn’t come through and they helped me fix it right away. They don’t bounce you to someone else; they take care of it for you.”

A degree in demand
A Penn State education provides you with a degree that’s in demand. You’ll be part of the largest alumni community in the world.

Today, one of every 117 Americans with a college degree is a Penn State graduate. With more than 616,000 Penn State alumni around the world, you’ll be in good company.

A Penn State degree is a valuable asset. Corporate recruiters rank Penn State the number one school for recruits, according to the Wall Street Journal. In fact, our reputation draws more than 1,000 corporate and government recruiters to interview Penn State students on campus every year.

“I would say to start looking for scholarships during your sophomore and junior years of high school because that’s what really helped me.” —ANITA ANIM
An investment of time and money

A college education is a major investment of time and money. The decision to attend Penn State will likely require commitment and hard work from you, and your family as well. Funding a quality education can be a challenge—but we can help.

About 79 percent of all undergraduate students receive some form of financial aid, so you’re not alone. The majority of the educational costs for Penn State students generally rests with the family, but keep in mind that it’s a team effort.

It is important to note that educational loans are considered a form of student aid. In fact, most Penn State students and their families rely heavily on federal loans to help finance their education. Reliance on educational loans as a primary source of financial aid is a common trend at colleges and universities across the country. Of all undergraduate students who apply for financial aid at Penn State, approximately 87 percent rely on loans for assistance, possibly in combination with other student aid programs. Additionally, federal, state, and University grants are available to eligible students with the greatest financial need.

What help is available?

All students are automatically considered for University-wide scholarships. At Penn State, about 21 percent of undergraduates receive University scholarships, typically between $800 and $2,500 per academic year. Notification of scholarship awards is usually mailed separately from other student aid correspondence.

To cover costs, most Penn State students and their families use financial strategies that include family savings, tuition savings plans, student summer employment, and Penn State’s payment plan, in combination with student financial aid programs. For ANITA ANIM, a Nutritional Sciences major from northeast Philadelphia, starting early and establishing a relationship with Penn State’s Office of Student Aid were important steps in her planning. “I was the first in my family to go to college. I wasn’t sure about anything with financial aid. I called the financial aid office and they told me about workshops in my area. I went to the workshop that helped me fill out the necessary forms and gave me a list of scholarships that I could apply for,” she says.

Start now

It will take planning, and it may take sacrifice, but the quality educational experience offered at Penn State is within your reach. The bottom line is, it can work. Visit the Office of Student Aid website at studentaid.psu.edu for more information on student aid.
Pop Quiz

You’re traveling on a train that is going sixty miles an hour and two friends come up to you and ask, “Why do you want to go to Penn State?”

A. Because a degree from Penn State is highly regarded around the world.
B. Because I look divine in blue and white.
C. Because I want to go to a Big Ten university close to home.
D. Because a Penn State education is a valuable investment with long-term benefits.
E. All of the above.

If you answered “E,” you’re on the right track.

Students want to go to Penn State for hundreds of different reasons, but the number one reason is simply this—it’s a high-quality education that’s an investment in your future.

1 in 117 Americans

One in every 117 Americans with a college degree is a Penn State graduate.
PARENTS’ PERSPECTIVE
As the parents of two Penn Staters, RICK AND TRACY RIEGEL started planning for college long before their daughters, Lauren and Meghan, entered Penn State.

“We started a 529 savings plans when the girls were little and were able to save enough to equal the cost of a Penn State education,” Tracy said.

Rick and Tracy are both Penn State alumni but encouraged their daughters to explore a variety of options during their college searches. They emphasized cost and value as part of the family’s discussion about which school Lauren and Meghan should attend.

“There are other universities out there that cost twice as much as Penn State and we asked the girls if that extra cost was worth it to them for the value they would get out of it, and they decided it was not,” Rick said. “Both girls received scholarships from Penn State and Meghan is part of the Schreyer Honors College.”

The Riegels are confident that their daughters will find jobs when they graduate, thanks to the resources and networking opportunities available at Penn State. “The career services offered at Penn State are phenomenal,” Rick said. “It’s something that people really need to look into when deciding where to go to school.”

Once their daughters arrived at University Park, the Riegels joined the Penn State Parents Program, which connects parents of current students to each other and to resources at the University. For more information about the Parents Program, visit parents.psu.edu.

To be considered for student aid, all prospective Penn State students must complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) on the Web at fafsa.ed.gov. We strongly advise you to have the FAFSA filed no later than March 1 for maximum consideration for all student aid programs.
DO YOU RECOMMEND COMPLETING THE FAFSA ON THE WEB?
Yes, Penn State’s Office of Student Aid strongly recommends that you submit your FAFSA online. It’s convenient and cuts down on errors, and your information reaches Penn State two to three weeks faster than the paper FAFSA.

WHAT FORM DO I NEED TO FILL OUT TO APPLY FOR STUDENT FINANCIAL AID?
You must complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) to apply for student financial aid. The FAFSA is available at fafsa.ed.gov. If you do not have access to the internet, contact the Federal Student Aid Information Center (FSAIC) at 1-800-4-Fed-Aid to request a paper FAFSA.

WHEN SHOULD I APPLY FOR STUDENT FINANCIAL AID?
We encourage you to complete the FAFSA on the Web by March 1 of your senior year. You may still submit the FAFSA after that date. Students who apply by March 1 will be notified of their student financial aid in late March. We recommend that all students and their families file their Federal Income Tax Return(s) before submitting the FAFSA.

WHEN CAN I EXPECT TO HEAR ABOUT MY STUDENT FINANCIAL AID PACKAGE?
You should receive your student aid notification from Penn State in late March if you submitted the FAFSA on the Web by March 1.

HOW MANY PENN STATE STUDENTS RECEIVE AID?
About 79 percent of all undergraduate students receive some form of financial aid.

WANT TO KNOW MORE?
See pages 26–29 for more information about academics or visit admissions.psu.edu.
Penn State Majors

THIS LIST OF PENN STATE MAJORS IS ORGANIZED BY FAMILIAR AREAS OF STUDY to help you locate majors in your area of interest. Unless otherwise noted, programs without a campus listed in parentheses can be started at any campus and typically completed (final two years) at University Park. Unless otherwise noted, programs with a campus listed in parentheses can be started at any campus and typically completed at the campus(es) listed in parentheses. Some majors are listed under multiple academic interest areas.
## Baccalaureate Degree (Four-Year) Majors

### Agriculture and Natural Resources

- Agribusiness Management (University Park, World Campus)
- Agricultural and Extension Education
- Agricultural Science
- Animal Science
- Biological Engineering
- BioRenewable Systems
- Community, Environment, and Development

### Agriculture and Natural Resources

- Earth Science and Policy
- Earth Sciences (DuBois, University Park)
- Environmental Resource Management
- Environmental Studies (Altoona)
- Environmental Systems Engineering
- Food Science
- Forest Ecosystem Management

- Immunology and Infectious Disease
- Landscape Contracting
- Toxicology
- Turfgrass Science (University Park, World Campus)
- Veterinary and Biomedical Sciences
- Wildlife and Fisheries Science

### Architecture and Environmental Design

- Architectural Engineering
  - Architecture (started and completed only at University Park)
- Landscape Architecture
  - (started and completed only at University Park)

- Landscape Contracting

### Arts: Visual and Performing

- Art (Abington)
  - Art, B.A. (started and completed only at University Park)
- Art, B.F.A. (started and completed only at University Park)
- Art Education (started and completed only at University Park)
- Art History
- Arts Administration (Erie)
  - Graphic Design (started and completed only at University Park)

### Arts: Visual and Performing

- Integrative Arts
  - (Abington, Altoona, University Park)
- Interdisciplinary Digital Studio
  - (started and completed only at University Park)
- Music, B.A. (started and completed only at University Park)
- Music, B.M. (started and completed only at University Park)
- Music Education (started and completed only at University Park)

- Musical Arts (started and completed only at University Park)
- Musical Theatre (started and completed only at University Park)
- Theatre, B.A. (Berks, University Park)
- Theatre, B.F.A. (started and completed only at University Park)
- Visual Art Studies (Altoona)

### Biological (Life) Sciences

- Biochemistry and Molecular Biology
- Biochemistry and Molecular Biology (Berks, University Park)
- Biological Anthropology
- Biological Engineering
- Biology (Abington, Altoona, Berks, Brandywine, Erie, University Park)
- Biomedical Engineering

- Biotechnology
- Food Science
- Forensic Science
- Immunology and Infectious Disease
- Microbiology
- Nutritional Sciences
- Plant Sciences

- Premedical-Medical, Accelerated (started only at University Park)
- Premedicine
- Science (Abington, Altoona, Berks, Erie, Harrisburg, University Park, Worthington Scranton, York)
- Toxicology
- Veterinary and Biomedical Sciences

### Business

- Accounting (Erie, Harrisburg, University Park)
- Agribusiness Management
- Arts Administration (Erie)
- Business (Abington, Altoona, Beaver, Berks, Brandywine, DuBois, Fayette, Greater Allegheny, Hazleton, Lehigh Valley, Mont Alto, New Kensington, Schuylkill, Shenango, Wilkes-Barre, World Campus, Worthington Scranton, York)
- Business Economics (Erie)
- Business, International (Erie)
- Economics (Erie, University Park, World Campus)

- Energy and Sustainability Policy (World Campus)
- Energy Business and Finance
- Finance (Erie, Harrisburg, University Park, World Campus)
- Golf Management (started and completed only at University Park)
- Health Policy and Administration
- Hospitality Management
- Information Systems (Harrisburg)
- Interdisciplinary Business with Engineering Studies (Erie)
- Labor Studies and Employment Relations (University Park, World Campus)

- Management (Harrisburg, University Park)
- Management Information Systems (Erie, University Park)
- Marketing (Erie, Harrisburg, University Park)
- Project and Supply Chain Management (Erie)
- Recreation, Park, and Tourism Management
- Risk Management
- Supply Chain and Information Systems
- Telecommunications

### Communications

- Advertising/Public Relations
- Advertising/Public Relations-Strategic Communications (World Campus)
- Communication (Erie)

- Communication Arts and Sciences
  - (Berks, Brandywine, University Park, York)
- Communications (Altoona, Beaver, Brandywine, Greater Allegheny, Harrisburg, New Kensington)
- Corporate Communication (Abington, Lehigh Valley)

- Film-Video
- Journalism
- Media Studies
- Telecommunications
- Writing, Creative (Erie)
- Writing, Professional (Berks)

### NOTE: SOME MAJORS ARE LISTED UNDER MORE THAN ONE SUBJECT AREA.
| Computer and Information Systems | Computer Engineering | (Erie, University Park) | Computer Science | (Erie, Harrisburg, University Park) | Information Sciences and Technology | (Abington, Beaver, Berks, Brandywine, Greater Allegheny, Harrisburg, Hazleton, Lehigh Valley, Mont Alto, New Kensington, Schuylkill, University Park, Wilkes-Barre, World Campus, Worthington Scranton, York) | Information Systems | (Harrisburg) | Management Information Systems | (Erie, University Park) | Security and Risk Analysis | (Altoona, Berks, Harrisburg, University Park, World Campus) | Software Engineering | (Erie) |
| Education | Agricultural and Extension Education | | Art Education | (started and completed only at University Park) | Childhood and Early Adolescent Education | (multiple options; Abington, Altoona, Berks, Erie, Lehigh Valley, University Park) | Education and Public Policy | | Elementary Education | (Harrisburg) | Music Education | (started and completed only at University Park) | Rehabilitation and Human Services | (Lehigh Valley, University Park) | Secondary Education | (multiple options) | Secondary Education, Mathematics | (Erie) | Secondary Education, Social Studies | (Harrisburg) | Special Education | | Workforce Education and Development | World Languages Education (K-12) | (multiple options) |
| Engineering Technologies | Electrical and Computer Engineering Technology | (started and completed only at Erie) | Electrical Engineering Technology | (Harrisburg, Wilkes-Barre) | Electro-Mechanical Engineering Technology | (Altoona, Berks, New Kensington, York) | Mechanical Engineering Technology | (started and completed only at Erie) | Mechanical Engineering Technology | (Harrisburg) | Plastics Engineering Technology | (started and completed only at Erie) | Rail Transportation Engineering | (Altoona) | Structural Design and Construction Engineering Technology | (Harrisburg) |
| Health Professions, Allied Health Services, and Recreational Services | Athletic Training | | Biobehavioral Health | | Biotechnology | | Communication Sciences and Disorders | | Golf Management | (started and completed only at University Park) | Health Policy and Administration | | Hospitality Management | | Kinesiology | (Bers, University Park) | Nursing | (Altoona, Erie, Fayette, Mont Alto, University Park, Worthington Scranton) | Nursing | (Second Degree option; Altoona, Harrisburg) | Nursing—for licensed RNs only | (Abington, Altoona, Erie, Fayette, Harrisburg, Mont Alto, New Kensington, Schuylkill, Shenango, University Park, World Campus, Worthington Scranton) | Nutritional Sciences | | Physical Therapy, Accelerated Bachelor of Science/Doctorate | (started only at Abington) | Premedical–Medical, Accelerated | (started only at University Park) | Premedicine | | Recreation, Park, and Tourism Management | | Rehabilitation and Human Services | (Lehigh Valley, University Park) |
| Humanities and Language | Asian Studies | | Chinese | | Classics and Ancient Mediterranean Studies | | Communication Arts and Sciences | (Bers, Brandywine, University Park, York) | Comparative Literature | | English | (Abington, Altoona, Brandywine, Erie, Greater Allegheny, Harrisburg, University Park, Wilkes-Barre, Worthington Scranton, York) | French and Francophone Studies | | German | | History | (Abington, Altoona, Erie, University Park) | Italian | | Japanese | | Law and Society | (World Campus) | Medieval Studies | | Philosophy | | Russian | | Spanish | | Writing, Creative | (Erie) | Writing, Professional | (Bers) |
# Interdisciplinary Studies

- African American Studies
- African Studies
- American Studies (Abington, Brandywine, Harrisburg)
- Asian Studies
- General Arts and Sciences (Erie)
- Global Studies (Berks)
- International Studies (available only as a concurrent or additional major)

# Physical Sciences and Mathematics

- Astronomy and Astrophysics (Erie, University Park)
- Chemistry (Erie, University Park)
- Earth Sciences (DuBois, University Park)
- Energy and Sustainability Policy (World Campus)
- Energy Business and Finance
- Geobiology
- Geology
- Geosciences
- Mathematical Sciences (Harrisburg)
- Mathematics (Altoona, Erie, University Park)
- Meteorology
- Physics (Erie, University Park)
- Planetary Science and Astronomy

# Social Sciences

- Administration of Justice (Beaver, Berks, DuBois, Fayette, Greater Allegheny, New Kensington, Schuylkill, Shenango, Wilkes-Barre)
- Anthropology
- Applied Behavioral Science (Harrisburg)
- Applied Psychology (Berks)
- Archaeological Science
- Biological Anthropology
- Criminal Justice (Abington, Altoona, Harrisburg, World Campus)
- Criminology
- Earth Science and Policy
- Economics (Erie, University Park, World Campus)
- Energy and Sustainability Policy (World Campus)
- Geography
- Human Development and Family Studies (Altoona, Brandywine, DuBois, Fayette, Harrisburg, Mont Alto, Shenango, University Park, World Campus, Worthington Scranton, York)
- International Politics
- Labor Studies and Employment Relations (University Park, World Campus)
- Law and Society (World Campus)
- Political Science (Altoona, Erie, Harrisburg, University Park, World Campus)
- Psychological and Social Sciences (Abington)
- Psychology (Altoona, Beaver, Brandywine, Erie, Greater Allegheny, Harrisburg, Hazleton, Lehigh Valley, New Kensington, Schuylkill, University Park, World Campus)
- Public Policy (Harrisburg)
- Sociology (Harrisburg, University Park)

# Undecided/Exploratory

- Division of Undergraduate Studies
  
  (An enrollment and advising unit for undecided students who prefer to explore several academic programs before choosing a major)

# Associate Degree (Two-Year) Majors

- **Agricultural Business**
- **Biomedical Engineering Technology**
- **Building Engineering Technology**
- **Business Administration**
- **Business, General**
- **Criminal Justice**
- **Electrical Engineering Technology**
- **Forest Technology**
- **Hotel, Restaurant, and Institutional Management**
- **Human Development and Family Studies**
- **Information Sciences and Technology**
- **Letters, Arts, and Sciences**
- **Materials Engineering Technology**
- **Mechanical Engineering Technology**
- **Medical Laboratory Technology**
- **Mining Technology**
- **Occupational Therapy**
- **Physical Therapist Assistant**
- **Radiological Sciences**
- **Science**
- **Surveying Engineering Technology**
- **Turfgrass Science and Management**
- **Wildlife Technology**
- **Workforce Education and Development**
> Academic Paths

When you choose a program of study, you are enrolled in one of Penn State’s academic colleges. The Division of Undergraduate Studies (DUS) allows students who are undecided about a major to explore several academic areas before selecting their program of study. Our extensive advising resources can help you plan a curriculum leading to a baccalaureate (four-year) or associate (two-year) degree—and to chart a course to achieve your career goals. The academic colleges highlighted below offer degrees that are typically completed at the University Park campus. In addition, Penn State offers more than sixty degrees that may be conferred by our other campuses. See pages 32–43 for more information about specific program availability by campus.

College of Agricultural Sciences
agsci.psu.edu
814-865-7521
> 1,918 undergraduate students
> 449 graduate students
> 285 faculty
> 17 majors
> 24 minors
> 4 associate degree programs

Penn State offers the only comprehensive educational program in agricultural sciences in Pennsylvania. College of Agricultural Sciences graduates gain employment in the food, agricultural, and natural resource system, which is projected to have more than 54,400 annual job openings between 2010 and 2015. Students enjoy the small-college environment and personal approach to student services, career guidance, and academic advising. The college has one of the largest academic scholarship programs in the University, awarding $1.8 million to more than 700 students annually.

College of Arts and Architecture
artsandarchitecture.psu.edu
814-865-9523
> 1,228 undergraduate students
> 248 graduate students
> 187 faculty
> 17 majors
> 9 minors

Penn State’s College of Arts and Architecture is committed to artistic and scholarly creativity, research, and the preparation of professional practitioners in all of the arts and design disciplines. The college has specialized studios, rehearsal spaces, and classrooms to support the design, visual, and performing arts. The college, which includes the Center for the Performing Arts, Penn State Centre Stage, and the Palmer Museum of Art, serves as the major cultural center between Philadelphia and Pittsburgh.

Smeal College of Business
smeal.psu.edu
814-863-1947
> 5,405 undergraduate students
> 301 graduate students
> 145 faculty
> 7 majors
> 4 minors

Smeal College’s curriculum reflects the current demands of business and translates into internship and career opportunities at the world’s top companies. Many Smeal students get involved outside of the classroom with one of our thirty-nine student organizations. Two premier opportunities include the Nittany Lion Fund, which gives students the opportunity to manage millions of dollars like Wall Street professionals, and the annual Next CEO competition, which allows students to step into the shoes of top corporate leaders. Smeal students study abroad in more than 150 programs and 40 countries to enhance their understanding of global business issues and earn a minor in International Business. The home of Smeal College is the award-winning, state-of-the-art Business Building.

College of Communications
comm.psu.edu
814-865-1503
> 2,695 undergraduate students
> 62 graduate students
> 58 faculty
> 5 majors
> 3 minors

Penn State’s College of Communications is the largest accredited communications program in the country and one of only nine in the Northeast accredited by the Accrediting Council on Education in Journalism and Mass Communication. In the past five years, more than two dozen Pulitzer Prize winners have visited campus for events and various lecture series conducted by the college. The College of Communications is also home to a variety of undergraduate centers, such as the John Curley Center for Sports Journalism, Pennsylvania Center for the First Amendment, and Media Effects Research Laboratory.

College of Earth and Mineral Sciences
ems.psu.edu
814-863-2751
> 1,958 undergraduate students
> 499 graduate students
> 225 faculty
> 15 majors
> 19 minors

The College of Earth and Mineral Sciences is a world leader in earth, materials, and energy sciences and engineering. As such, we create, integrate, and transform fundamental understanding of earth, material, and energy processes and how humans interact with them. We use this knowledge to help provide the newest and best materials and energy for society and science for a secure and sustainable planet. We train our students to possess the depth and breadth of understanding needed to meet the needs of academia, industry, government, and society.

Please note: These data reflect the numbers once students are in a major at University Park.
### College of Education
[ed.psu.edu](http://ed.psu.edu)
814-865-0488

- **1,488 undergraduate students**
- **767 graduate students**
- **201 faculty**
- **7 majors**
- **2 minors**

The College of Education prepares teachers, counselors, human services professionals, educational administrators, policy analysts, and researchers. Other academic units at Penn State have undergraduate teacher preparation programs for agriculture, art, music, and health and physical education.

### College of Engineering
[www.engr.psu.edu](http://www.engr.psu.edu)
814-863-1033

- **7,217 undergraduate students**
- **1,365 graduate students**
- **356 faculty**
- **15 majors**
- **11 minors**
- **9 associate degree programs**

The College of Engineering caters to a wide variety of student interests and helps students prepare to create new products and processes and contribute to our global society in fields that span the environment, health care, energy, transportation, infrastructure, medicine, space systems, manufacturing, agriculture, computers, and communications technology. The college offers a world-class education in each of its programs along with opportunities for internships and cooperative education, participation in national and international contests, undergraduate research, and study or work abroad. Engineering graduates leave Penn State well on their way to becoming world-class engineers.

### College of Health and Human Development
[www.hhdev.psu.edu](http://www.hhdev.psu.edu)
814-865-2156

- **4,588 undergraduate students**
- **376 graduate students**
- **255 faculty**
- **9 majors**
- **11 minors**
- **2 associate degree programs**

The College of Health and Human Development was the first in the country to take an integrated approach to the health, development, and well-being of individuals, families, and their communities. Committed to improving the quality of life, our world-class faculty offer highly ranked educational programs to our students and produce research that will positively affect our lives today and in the future.

### College of Information Sciences and Technology (IST)
[ist.psu.edu](http://ist.psu.edu)
814-865-8947/866-255-8707

- **834 undergraduate students**
- **116 graduate students**
- **52 faculty**
- **3 majors**
- **13 minors**
- **1 associate degree program**

The College of Information Sciences and Technology (IST) offers bachelor of science degree programs in Information Sciences and Technology and Security and Risk Analysis. The Information Sciences and Technology program integrates skills connected with people, information, and technology, covering topics from software development to social media to business applications for technology. The Security and Risk Analysis program explores how to design secure systems, measure risk, and ensure that proper levels of privacy are maintained for individuals, businesses, government, and other organizations. The college also offers a bachelor of arts degree in Information Sciences and Technology, which enables students to blend the study of technology with the arts, humanities, and social sciences.

### College of the Liberal Arts
[www.la.psu.edu](http://www.la.psu.edu)
814-865-2545

- **5,163 undergraduate students**
- **788 graduate students**
- **626 faculty**
- **35 majors**
- **50 minors**
- **1 associate degree program**

The College of the Liberal Arts offers a wide range of degrees in the humanities and social sciences that help students prepare for successful, fulfilling lives after graduation. A liberal arts degree cultivates excellent communication skills, capacity for ethical decision making, and openness to diversity in ways that enrich the study of a variety of disciplines. In an increasingly interconnected world, a liberal arts degree places students in a strong position to be leaders in their chosen fields.

### College of Nursing
[nursing.psu.edu](http://nursing.psu.edu)
814-863-0245

- **497 undergraduate students**
- **105 graduate students**
- **36 faculty**
- **1 major**

The College of Nursing is the largest preparer of registered nurses in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. The baccalaureate program has three options for study: the four-year bachelor of science degree program is for students who are preparing for an initial professional R.N. degree; the Second Degree option is for students who have already earned a baccalaureate degree in another field; and the R.N. to B.S. option is for registered nurses who wish to complete a B.S. degree. The school is approved by the Pennsylvania State Board of Nursing, and the associate, baccalaureate, and master's degree programs are accredited by the Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing (ACEN) and the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE).

### Eberly College of Science
[science.psu.edu](http://science.psu.edu)
814-865-2609

- **3,197 undergraduate students**
- **777 graduate students**
- **433 faculty**
- **15 majors**
- **11 minors**

Discover the latest in science, learn in cutting-edge laboratory and computer facilities, and develop skills to help you achieve your goals. Why is the study of science so important? Think about the challenges our world is facing: health care issues, disease outbreaks, crime, renewable energy, food supply concerns, environmental remediation, genetic engineering, space exploration, and many others. Solving these problems is a fundamental part of our future—and you could be the scientist who really makes a difference. With our award-winning faculty, we provide a solid science foundation and opportunities to tackle the world’s most challenging issues through research. The National Research Council ranked our programs among the top ten in the United States. Beyond research, the college offers numerous opportunities for experiential learning: externships, internships, co-ops, and a number of top-notch study abroad programs. Customize your education with the Eberly College of Science, pursue the unknown, and solve real-life problems with science.

### Division of Undergraduate Studies
[dus.psu.edu](http://dus.psu.edu)
814-865-7576

- **3,244 undergraduate students**

The Division of Undergraduate Studies (DUS) is Penn State's enrollment program for students who want to explore the University’s academic opportunities before deciding on a field of study.
>Penn State’s Campuses

BY NOW YOU PROBABLY KNOW THAT PENN STATE ISN’T A SINGLE PLACE. Our multicampus system has twenty undergraduate locations throughout Pennsylvania. All of Penn State’s undergraduate campuses offer the first two years of nearly all of Penn State’s more than 160 baccalaureate programs. Students can then transition to University Park or another campus to finish their degree (2+2 plan). In addition, some campuses also offer complete baccalaureate and associate degrees. In the following pages, we offer a snapshot of each of our campuses. Contact the campuses you are interested in for more information.
Penn State University Park

*psu.edu*

- **46,184 students**
- **6,099 graduate students**
- **8,461 first-year students**
- **College town setting in State College, Pennsylvania**
- **Visits, Information: 814-865-5471, or admissions.psu.edu**

**Housing**
Approximately 14,000 students live on campus. Six residence hall areas offer traditional, dormitory-style living. On-campus housing is guaranteed and mandatory for first-year students.

**Location**
In the center of Pennsylvania in the town of State College, south of I-80, on Routes 26 and 322. Just over four hours from New York City, about four hours from Washington, D.C., and Philadelphia; three hours from Pittsburgh.

**Academic Programs**
Penn State University Park offers the full four years of more than 160 baccalaureate degree programs (see pages 26 through 29).

**Penn State University Park**

- **20 undergraduate campuses**
  - across the state of Pennsylvania
  - No matter where you start, you graduate with a Penn State degree.

**Undergraduate student demographics**
- **71 percent** are from Pennsylvania.
- **54 percent** of the student body is male; **46 percent** is female.
- Student body represents **50 states** and more than **131 countries**.
- **19 percent** of students are persons of color.

**Number of faculty**
- **6,060** full-time faculty

**Number of students**
- **98,097** students University-wide (undergraduate and graduate)

**First-year admission (2013)**
- **15,570** first-year baccalaureate students at all Penn State campuses

**Transfer admission (2013)**
More than **3,300** students transferred to Penn State from colleges and universities outside of the Penn State system.

**Academic programs**
- Penn State has more than **160** baccalaureate degree majors
- and more than **20** associate degree majors.

**Sports**
Each campus offers a variety of varsity, club, and intramural sports.

**Student clubs and organizations**
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Penn State Abington
abington.psu.edu

> 3,694 students
> Average class size: 24
> Suburban setting near Philadelphia
> Campus Visits: 215-881-7351
> Campus Information: 215-881-7600
> abingtonadmissions@psu.edu

Housing
Privately owned, apartment-style housing available near campus

Location
About fifteen miles from downtown Philadelphia; easily accessible by car, public transportation, and the free campus bus and van service

Academic Programs
Penn State Abington offers the first two years of nearly all of Penn State’s more than 160 baccalaureate programs. Furthermore, the following degrees can be completed in their entirety at Penn State Abington:

Baccalaureate (Four-Year) Programs
Accelerated Bachelor/Doctor of Physical Therapy
American Studies
Art
Biology

Penn State Altoona
altoona.psu.edu

> 3,861 students
> Average class size: 31
> Suburban setting
> Visits, Information: 814-949-5466; 800-848-9843
> aaadmit@psu.edu

Housing
University-operated housing for 900 students; privately owned off-campus housing within walking distance of campus

Location
Altoona, Pennsylvania; two hours from Pittsburgh and Harrisburg, about four and a half hours from Philadelphia, and forty-five minutes from the University Park campus

Academic Programs
Penn State Altoona offers the first two years of nearly all of Penn State’s more than 160 baccalaureate programs. Furthermore, the following degrees can be completed in their entirety at Penn State Altoona:

Baccalaureate (Four-Year) Programs
Business
Childhood and Early Adolescent Education
Corporate Communication
Criminal Justice
English
General Engineering
History
Information Sciences and Technology
Integrative Arts
Letters, Arts, and Sciences
Nursing (fully accredited program for applicants who hold an RN license)
Psychological and Social Sciences
Science
Associate (Two-Year) Programs
Business Administration
Letters, Arts, and Sciences

Penn State Abington provides all the personal attention of a small suburban campus, along with the opportunities of a major university.
Penn State Beaver
beaver.psu.edu

> 703 students
> Average class size: 24
> Suburban setting in Monaca, Pennsylvania
> Visits, Information: 877-JOIN-PSU (564-6778); 724-773-3800
> Fax: 724-773-3658
> br-admissions@psu.edu

Housing
University-operated housing available for 212 students, as well as privately owned, off-campus housing.

Location
Twelve miles west of Pittsburgh International Airport; easily accessible by car and public transportation.

Academic Programs
Penn State Beaver offers the first two years of nearly all of Penn State’s more than 160 baccalaureate programs. Furthermore, the following degrees can be completed in their entirety at Penn State Beaver:

Baccalaureate
- Administration of Justice
- Business
- Communications
- Information Sciences and Technology
- Psychology

Penn State Berks
berks.psu.edu

> 2,732 students
> Average class size: 24
> Suburban setting near Reading, Pennsylvania
> Visits, Information: 610-396-6060
> berksadmissions@psu.edu

Housing
University-operated housing for 806 students, as well as privately owned off-campus housing in the area.

Location
Berks County; one hour from Philadelphia and Harrisburg.

Academic Programs
Penn State Berks offers the first two years of nearly all of Penn State’s more than 160 baccalaureate programs. Furthermore, the following degrees can be completed in their entirety at Penn State Berks:

Baccalaureate
- Administration of Justice
- Applied Psychology
- Biochemistry
- Biology
- Business
- Childhood and Early Adolescent Education
- Communication Arts and Sciences
- Electro-Mechanical Engineering Technology
- Global Studies
- Information Sciences and Technology
- Kinesiology
- Mechanical Engineering
- Molecular Biology
- Organizational Leadership (for adults)
- Science
- Security and Risk Analysis
- Theatre Writing, Professional
- Associate (Two-Year) Programs
- Agricultural Business
- Business Administration
- Hotel, Restaurant, and Institutional Management
- Information Sciences and Technology
- Letters, Arts, and Sciences
- Occupational Therapy

†Some options may be completed at Penn State Berks.

PENN STATE BEAVER students have the resources of both a major research university and an exciting metropolitan city at their fingertips. The vibrant 105-acre campus offers leadership, social, and athletic opportunities.

Global Studies
Information Sciences and Technology
Kinesiology
Mechanical Engineering
Molecular Biology
Organizational Leadership (for adults)
Science
Security and Risk Analysis
Theatre Writing, Professional
Associate (Two-Year) Programs
Agricultural Business
Business Administration
Hotel, Restaurant, and Institutional Management
Information Sciences and Technology
Letters, Arts, and Sciences
Occupational Therapy

†Some options may be completed at Penn State Berks.
THROUGH A WIDE RANGE of research projects, leadership opportunities, and clubs and organizations, students at Penn State DuBois are encouraged to be creative with their programs of study.
Penn State Erie, The Behrend College
behrend.psu.edu

- 4,057 students
- Average class size: 26
- Suburban setting
- Visits, Information: 866-374-3378; 814-898-6100
- behrend.admissions@psu.edu

Housing
Residence halls for 1,642 students; privately owned housing near campus

Location
Near Erie, Pennsylvania, I-79, and I-90; two hours from Pittsburgh and ninety minutes from Cleveland and Buffalo

Academic Programs
Penn State Erie offers the first two years of nearly all of Penn State’s more than 160 baccalaureate programs. The following degrees can be completed in their entirety at Penn State Erie:

Baccalaureate (Four-Year) Programs
- Accounting
- Arts Administration
- Biology
- Business Economics
- Business, International
- Chemistry
- Childhood and Early Adolescence Education
- Communication
- Computer Engineering
- Computer Science
- Creative Writing
- Economics
- Electrical and Computer Engineering Technology
- Electrical Engineering
- English
- Finance
- General Arts and Sciences
- History
- Industrial Engineering
- Interdisciplinary Business with Engineering Studies
- Management Information Systems
- Marketing
- Mathematics
- Mechanical Engineering
- Mechanical Engineering Technology
- Nursing (two options) The B.S. option is a traditional four-year degree. The R.N. to B.S. option is for R.N. students seeking a B.S. degree in Nursing.
- Physics
- Plastics Engineering Technology
- Political Science
- Project and Supply Chain Management
- Psychology
- Science
- Secondary Education (Mathematics Teaching option)
- Software Engineering

Associate (Two-Year) Programs
- Agricultural Business*
- Electrical Engineering Technology
- General Business
- Letters, Arts, and Sciences
- Mechanical Engineering Technology

*First year only

Penn State Fayette, The Eberly Campus
fayette.psu.edu

- 846 students
- Average class size: 22
- Rural setting near Uniontown, Pennsylvania
- Visits, Information: 724-430-4130; 877-568-4130
- feadm@psu.edu

Housing
Privately owned housing available close to campus

Location
Conveniently located between Connellsville and Uniontown on Route 119; about one hour from Pittsburgh and thirty minutes from Morgantown, West Virginia

Academic Programs
Penn State Fayette offers the first two years of nearly all of Penn State’s more than 160 baccalaureate programs. Furthermore, the following degrees can be completed in their entirety at Penn State Fayette:

Baccalaureate (Four-Year) Programs
- Administration of Justice
- Business
- Human Development and Family Studies
- Nursing (two options) The B.S. option is a traditional four-year degree. The R.N. to B.S. option is for R.N. students seeking a B.S. degree in Nursing.
- Physics
- Plastics Engineering Technology
- Political Science
- Project and Supply Chain Management
- Psychology
- Science
- Secondary Education (Mathematics Teaching option)
- Software Engineering

Associate (Two-Year) Programs
- Building Engineering Technology
- Business Administration
- Electrical Engineering Technology
- Human Development and Family Studies
- Information Sciences and Technology
- Letters, Arts, and Sciences
- Mining Technology
- Physical Therapist Assistant

*First year only
Penn State Harrisburg

hbg.psu.edu

>4,441 students
>Average class size: 25
>Suburban setting
>Visits, Information: 717-948-6250, 800-222-2056
>Fax: 717-948-6325
>hbgadmit@psu.edu

Housing
University-owned housing for 438 students. Privately owned housing available close to campus.

Location
Near Harrisburg in Middletown, Pennsylvania; about two hours from Philadelphia and four hours from Pittsburgh

Academic Programs
Penn State Harrisburg offers the first two years of nearly all of Penn State’s more than 160 baccalaureate majors. Furthermore, the following degrees can be completed in their entirety at Penn State Harrisburg:

- Baccalaureate (Four-Year) Programs
- Accounting
- American Studies
- Behavioral Science, Applied
- Civil Engineering
- Communications
- Computer Science
- Criminal Justice
- Electrical Engineering
- Electrical Engineering Technology
- Elementary Education
- English
- Finance

Penn State Greater Allegheny

greaterallegheny.psu.edu

>623 students
>Average class size: 18
>Suburban setting near Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania
>Visits, Information: 412-675-9010; 800-248-LION (5466; in PA)
>psuga@psu.edu

Housing
University housing for 209 students with internet hookups and television cable in each room. Privately owned housing is also available close to campus.

Location
Located fifteen miles southeast of Pittsburgh; twenty-five minutes off Exits 57 or 67 of the PA Turnpike; four hours from Baltimore, Maryland; Columbus, Ohio; or Washington, D.C.

Academic Programs
Penn State Greater Allegheny offers the first two years of nearly all of Penn State’s more than 160 baccalaureate programs. Furthermore, the following degrees can be completed in their entirety at Penn State Greater Allegheny:

- Baccalaureate (Four-Year) Programs
- Accounting
- American Studies
- Behavioral Science, Applied
- Civil Engineering
- Communications
- Computer Science
- Criminal Justice
- Electrical Engineering
- Electrical Engineering Technology
- Elementary Education
- English
- Finance

PENN STATE GREATER ALLEGHENY combines the excitement of a metropolitan area with a quality Penn State education. The wireless student community center is a hot spot for the diverse student body to sip some coffee while working online, meeting friends for lunch, or studying in small groups.
Penn State Hazleton

hazleton.psu.edu

> 951 students
> Average class size: 25
> Suburban setting
> Visits, Information: 570-450-3142; 800-279-8495
> admissions-hn@psu.edu

Housing
University-operated on-campus housing for 485 students as well as privately owned off-campus housing

Location
Conveniently located off Interstates 80 and 81; twenty minutes from the activity-filled Pocono Mountains and two hours from New York City, Philadelphia, and the University Park campus

Academic Programs
Penn State Hazleton offers the first two years of nearly all of Penn State’s more than 160 baccalaureate programs. Furthermore, the following degrees can be completed in their entirety at Penn State Hazleton:

Baccalaureate (Four-Year) Programs
Business
General Engineering
Information Sciences and Technology
Letters, Arts, and Sciences
Psychology

Associate (Two-Year) Programs
Agricultural Business*
Business Administration
Information Sciences and Technology
Letters, Arts, and Sciences
Medical Laboratory Technology
Physical Therapist Assistant

*First year only

Penn State Lehigh Valley
lehighvalley.psu.edu

> 925 students
> Average class size: 22
> Suburban setting near Allentown, Pennsylvania
> Visits, Information: 610-285-5035
> Fax: 610-285-5220
> admissions-lv@psu.edu

Housing
Apartments and privately owned housing within driving distance to the campus

Location
Near Allentown; sixty minutes from Philadelphia and ninety minutes from New York City

Academic Programs
Penn State Lehigh Valley offers the first two years of nearly all of Penn State’s more than 160 baccalaureate programs. Furthermore, the following degrees can be completed in their entirety at Penn State Lehigh Valley:

Baccalaureate (Four-Year) Programs
Business
Childhood and Early Adolescent Education
Corporate Communication
Information Sciences and Technology
Psychology
Rehabilitation and Human Services

Associate (Two-Year) Programs
Business Administration
Information Sciences and Technology
Letters, Arts, and Sciences

FACULTY AT PENN STATE HAZLETON WELCOME the opportunity to work on research projects with first-year students, while a wide array of activities on campus are planned to support current interests and develop leadership skills.

PENN STATE LEHIGH VALLEY combines a history of tradition with its state-of-the-art campus facilities. Athletic competition is offered through the PSUAC and USCAA.
THE CAMPUS was founded in 1903 as the first public forestry school in the nation. Today, nestled next to a beautiful state forest, Penn State Mont Alto provides a unique college experience for students with a variety of interests and majors.
Penn State Schuylkill

schuylkill.psu.edu

> 837 students
> Average class size: 19
> Small-town setting in Schuylkill Haven, Pennsylvania
> Visits, Information: 570-385-6252
> sl-admissions@psu.edu

Housing
University-operated housing provided for 316 students, as well as privately owned off-campus housing

Location
Near Pottsville; about one and a half hours from Philadelphia and two and a half hours from New York City

Academic Programs
Penn State Schuylkill offers the first two years of nearly all of Penn State’s more than 160 baccalaureate programs. Furthermore, the following degrees can be completed in their entirety at Penn State Schuylkill:

- Baccalaureate (Four-Year) Programs
  - Administration of Justice
  - Business
  - Information Sciences and Technology
  - Nursing (fully accredited program for applicants who hold an RN license)
  - Psychology

- Associate (Two-Year) Programs
  - Agricultural Business*
  - Business Administration
  - Human Development and Family Studies
  - Letters, Arts, and Sciences
  - Radiological Sciences

*bFirst year only

Penn State Shenango

shenango.psu.edu

> 568 students
> Average class size: 15
> Urban setting in Sharon, Pennsylvania
> Visits, Information: 724-983-2803
> psushenango@psu.edu

Housing
Privately owned housing available in the Sharon area

Location
In the city of Sharon; about one and a half hours from Pittsburgh and Erie

Academic Programs
Penn State Shenango offers the first two years of nearly all of Penn State’s more than 160 baccalaureate programs. Furthermore, the following degrees can be completed in their entirety at Penn State Shenango:

- Baccalaureate (Four-Year) Programs
  - Administration of Justice
  - Business
  - Human Development and Family Studies
  - Letters, Arts, and Sciences
  - Nursing (fully accredited program for applicants who hold an RN license)

- Associate (Two-Year) Programs:
  - Business Administration
  - Human Development and Family Studies
  - Information Sciences and Technology
  - Letters, Arts, and Sciences
  - Occupational Therapy
  - Physical Therapist Assistant
Penn State Wilkes-Barre

> 613 students
> Average class size: 17
> Rural setting in Lehman, Pennsylvania
> Visits, Information: 570-675-9238
> wbadmissions@psu.edu

**Housing**
Privately owned housing located adjacent to campus

**Location**
In the town of Lehman, off Interstate 81, eleven miles west of Wilkes-Barre; about two and a half hours from Philadelphia and two hours from New York City

**Academic Programs**
Penn State Wilkes-Barre offers the first two years of nearly all of Penn State’s more than 160 baccalaureate programs. Furthermore, the following degrees can be completed in their entirety at Penn State Wilkes-Barre:
- Baccalaureate (Four-Year) Programs
  - American Studies
  - Business
  - English
- Information Sciences and Technology
- Surveying Engineering (also offered as a concurrent degree with Civil Engineering; contact the campus for more information)

Penn State Worthington Scranton

> 1,178 students
> Average class size: 23
> Suburban setting in Dunmore, Pennsylvania
> Visits, Information: 570-963-2500
> wsadmissions@psu.edu

**Housing**
Privately owned housing located in the community

**Location**
Located off Interstate 81, near Interstates 380 and 84; about two and a half hours from Philadelphia and two hours from New York City

**Academic Programs**
Penn State Worthington Scranton offers the first two years of nearly all of Penn State’s more than 160 baccalaureate programs. Furthermore, the following degrees can be completed in their entirety at Penn State Worthington Scranton:
- Baccalaureate (Four-Year) Programs
  - American Studies
  - Business
  - English
- Human Development and Family Studies
- Information Sciences and Technology
- Letters, Arts, and Sciences
- Nursing (two options) The B.S. option is a traditional four-year degree. The R.N. to B.S. option is for R.N.s seeking a B.S. in Nursing.
- Science
- Associate (Two-Year) Programs
  - Agricultural Business*
  - Business Administration
  - Human Development and Family Studies
  - Information Sciences and Technology
  - Letters, Arts, and Sciences

*First year only

At Penn State Worthington Scranton, you will find recent high school graduates, adult learners, and professionals taking advantage of certificate and career-development programs—all pursuing their goals.

AS ONE OF PENN STATE’S technology centers, Wilkes-Barre offers a variety of educational opportunities in a number of technical fields to complement the wide range of student life activities on campus.
FOR THOSE SEEKING ALTERNATIVE LEARNING OPTIONS, Penn State’s online World Campus and our educational affiliate, the Pennsylvania College of Technology, offer many additional learning choices for students of all ages, backgrounds, and interests.

Pennsylvania College of Technology

For more information and an application, contact the Pennsylvania College of Technology.

World Campus

Penn State’s online World Campus offers you access to more than seventy Penn State degree and certificate programs—anywhere, any time.

Through World Campus, you will have access to student support services just like our students on location, including: new student orientation, academic advising and career counseling resources, access to Penn State’s nationally recognized research library, help-desk support resources, and tutorials about the online learning environment. World Campus courses are designed around best practices in online delivery and taught by Penn State faculty with experience teaching in an online environment.

WANT TO KNOW MORE?

For more information about our campuses go to admissions.psu.edu.
Frequently Asked Questions

About academics

How soon do I have to declare a major?
Typically, as a first-year student, you will be admitted to an academic college rather than directly to a major. If you want to explore several majors in different areas of study, your best place to start is the Division of Undergraduate Studies (DUS), where professional advisers can help you with your exploration. Whether you start in a college or DUS, you will be asked to declare a major by the end of your sophomore year. Transfer students who have completed two or more years of study are usually admitted directly into a major.

At which campus will I finish my degree?
Where you choose to finish your degree depends on your major and the type of campus you prefer. Many students spend two years at one campus, and then transition to another Penn State campus. However, if you wish to spend all four years at one campus, you have many from which to choose.

(SEE PAGES 32 THROUGH 43 FOR INFORMATION ON DEGREE AVAILABILITY BY CAMPUS.)

Do Penn State’s campuses offer two-year associate degree programs?
Yes. Penn State offers more than twenty different associate degree programs at various campuses.

(TO FIND OUT WHAT PROGRAMS ARE OFFERED AT EACH CAMPUS, SEE PAGES 32 THROUGH 43.)

Does Penn State have an honors program?
Yes, and an exceptional one at that! Penn State’s Schreyer Honors College is available at all undergraduate campuses and for most majors. Admission to the Honors College is highly selective and requires an additional application process (available as part of the online application). Competitive applicants are at or near the top of their high school class in terms of grades and schedule strength and have demonstrated leadership through their extracurricular activities and interests. All entering first-year Schreyer Scholars receive Academic Excellence Scholarships—renewable four-year awards with a current value of $4,000 per year. Visit shc.psu.edu for more information.

About student life

Is housing guaranteed?
For those Penn State campuses (other than University Park) that have residence halls, housing is typically on a first-come, first-served basis. First-year students at University Park are required to live on campus and are guaranteed housing. Transfer students may request on-campus housing at any campus that offers housing, but are permitted to live off campus.

Can I have a car on campus?
First-year students are permitted to have cars at all campuses except University Park.

What comes with my room?
In addition to beds, desks, and dressers, residence hall rooms feature a number of conveniences. Each room is equipped with television cable service, computer and Internet connections, and a microfridge (combined microwave/refrigerator/freezer). Laundry facilities and a dining hall are located in each residence hall area.

Do I need to bring a computer?
The University strongly recommends that you bring a computer, although this is not a requirement. All residence hall rooms offer connections to Penn State’s computer network (including e-mail and the web). If you do not have a computer, there are computer labs available for student use. Lab hours vary, but some are open twenty-four hours.

Through Penn State’s Computer Store, a wide variety of software is available to students at a discount or for free.

What about sports?
Penn State has a strong tradition of student athletics and a wide range of varsity and intramural sports available at every campus. Whatever your interest and ability level, chances are there’s a team for you. In addition, teams at Penn State University Park compete in Division I sports in the Big Ten Conference. Division III athletics are available at Penn State Abington, Penn State Altoona, Penn State Berks, Penn State Erie, and Penn State Harrisburg.
**About Penn State’s campuses**

**Can I start as a first-year student at any Penn State campus?**

First-year students can start at any of our twenty Penn State undergraduate campuses. As a first-year student at most Penn State campuses, you can begin study toward nearly all of Penn State’s undergraduate majors. You should know that admission to the University Park campus as a first-year student is more competitive than at other Penn State campuses. We recommend that you not limit yourself to one campus choice. Explore all of your Penn State options, and have both a first- and alternate-choice campus in mind.

**Which campus is best for me?**

What you would like to study and the kind of learning environment you prefer can affect your choice of campus. While most campuses offer the first two years of study for nearly all of Penn State’s more than 160 baccalaureate majors, each campus has its own array of educational opportunities. There are other things to keep in mind, too: In what part of Pennsylvania would you like to live? What size campus do you find most comfortable? Do you want to live on or off campus? Are you interested in commuting? What extracurricular activities are you interested in joining? The best way to find out if a campus is right for you is to contact the campuses you are interested in and arrange a visit. Admissions representatives at each campus will be glad to show you around and answer your questions.

**Will I need to stay at one campus all four years?**

In many cases, that’s up to you. Many students attend one campus for their first two years of study and then transition to another campus to finish their degree. Others remain at one campus throughout their Penn State experience. Either path allows you to take full advantage of all that Penn State has to offer, and you can choose a learning environment that meets your needs.

**Do all campuses offer a variety of educational opportunities?**

Yes. Every Penn State campus offers opportunities for undergraduate research, internships, special seminars, and education abroad. In addition, students at all of Penn State’s campuses have access to the latest educational technology, including interactive computer-aided learning, and computerized classrooms. Qualified students may also be invited to apply to the Schreyer Honors College, Penn State’s prestigious honors program. In addition, each campus has its own honors program for qualified students.

**Will I be able to live in residence halls at the campus I choose?**

If living on campus is important to you, there are many Penn State campuses from which to choose. Other campuses have attractive off-campus options, including some with off-campus housing adjacent to campus. In addition, some students choose to save money by living at home for their first two years and commuting to campus. If you want to live in the residence halls of campuses other than University Park, it’s important to accept your offer of admission and contact the campus housing office as soon as possible. Residence hall space is assigned on a first-come, first-served basis. Transfer students can request housing at any Penn State campus where housing is available.

**If I want to complete my degree at University Park after starting at another Penn State campus, what are the requirements?**

Typically, you may transition to University Park after completing your first two years of full-time study toward a baccalaureate degree as long as you are in good academic standing. In a typical year, this is the path taken by 60 percent of Penn State’s undergraduate students.

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**About admission**

**Is Penn State’s application available on the web?**

Yes. Penn State makes its application available in two ways: on the web and in a traditional paper format. The web application is normally available for use earlier than the paper form (the 2015 web application should be available in September 2014). We prefer that applicants use the web application.

**When should I apply?**

Penn State reviews applications throughout the year, but we strongly encourage you to apply by November 30 of your senior year for priority consideration. You will be most competitive if you apply by this date.

**When can I expect a decision?**

If you apply by November 30, you can expect to receive a decision by January 31. Accordingly, students who apply after November 30 should expect a later decision.

**When do I have to make a decision about attending?**

If you are offered admission, you have until May 1 to accept the offer. Penn State does not have an early decision program.
Applying to Penn State
We strongly encourage first-year applicants to file a complete application by November 30 of your senior year in high school. Some programs and campuses fill quickly, so it is always beneficial to apply early.

Penn State’s admission application is available online at admissions.psu.edu or in paper form. We prefer that applicants use the web application, but to request a paper application, contact the Undergraduate Admissions Office at 814-865-5471 or e-mail us by going to admissions.psu.edu.

Your application to Penn State allows you to be evaluated for any of our campuses and programs. Entrance difficulty is based partly on demand. The University Park campus is the most competitive for admission to all programs.

Estimating your eligibility
Admission decisions for Penn State are based on a variety of factors that are all viewed in relation to one another. The most important factor, high school performance, accounts for approximately two-thirds of the admission decision. The remaining one-third is based on other factors, which may include standardized test scores (students taking the ACT are required to complete and submit the writing component), class rank, and personal and activities statements.

The influence of standardized test scores on an admission decision varies according to a student’s major choice. For example, the math score is more important in an admission decision for a student who has selected a math- or science-intensive major, whereas the combined critical reading, math, and writing score has more influence on the decision for a student choosing a professional or liberal arts major.

The optional personal statement and activities statement are sometimes used to assist with the decisions for students whose applications require additional review. Because of the relationship among the previously noted factors, Penn State does not require a specific high school GPA or minimum standardized test scores.

The ranges in the chart below represent the middle 50 percent of students offered admission for fall 2013. They are not cutoffs or averages. Placing in the upper end of both ranges increases the likelihood of being offered your first choice of campus and/or major. Placing in the lower end of both ranges may require you to be more flexible in making your campus (and perhaps major) choices. This chart is intended to give you a general idea of your admissibility to Penn State. In no way does it represent a promise or guarantee of admission.

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Penn State’s ACTUAL Costs for First- and Second-Year Students for 2013–14

Penn State makes every effort to contain costs and has been recognized nationally for its cost efficiency. However, you can anticipate that costs will increase on an annual basis. To assist you with the planning for a Penn State education, we have included ACTUAL costs for the 2013–14 academic year. Please use this chart for planning purposes only.

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*Additional estimated costs at ALL CAMPUSES

| **Penn State Greater Allegheny**                                |
| **Penn State Harrisburg**                                       |
| **Penn State Hazleton**                                         |
| **Penn State Lehigh Valley**                                    |
| **Penn State Mont Alto**                                        |

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Applying for student financial aid

Each year, about 79 percent of all undergraduates receive some form of financial assistance. The first step in being considered for assistance is to complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) on the Web, available at fafsa.ed.gov.

To receive maximum consideration for student financial aid, including loans, grants, scholarships, and work-study, complete the FAFSA on the Web by March 1. We recommend that you and your family (if applicable) file your Federal Tax Return(s) before submitting the FAFSA. You may use estimated tax information, if necessary. If you submit the FAFSA by March 1, you can expect to receive your Student Financial Aid Notification by late March. This notification reflects your eligibility for any grants, loans, scholarships, and/or work-study. After late March, student aid is awarded on a weekly basis, upon receipt of the FAFSA.

The Office of Student Aid automatically considers all students for University-wide scholarships. Some academic colleges, campuses, and other administrative units that award scholarships require separate applications. Notification of scholarship awards is made on a student’s Student Aid Summary at elion.psu.edu, or in a separate award letter mailed to the student. First-year and continuing students should visit the Office of Student Aid’s website, studentaid.psu.edu, to explore Penn State scholarships.

Payment

The costs in the chart above cover a two-semester academic year. Students are billed for one semester at a time. Penn State does offer a payment plan to students and their families. Please access the Office of the Bursar’s website at bursar.psu.edu for more information on the payment plan.

79% RECEIVE FINANCIAL AID

Each year, about 79 percent of all undergraduates receive some form of financial assistance. For more information, visit studentaid.psu.edu or call 814-865-6301.
Varsity, Club, and Intramural Sports

This chart presents the most popular varsity and intramural sports. In addition, most locations feature club sports, which may include activities not listed. For more information, contact the specific campus.

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Club sports and other teams

- Aikido
- Archery
- Arena Football
- Badminton
- Baseball
- Basketball
- Bass Fishing
- Billiards
- Bowling
- Boxing
- Cheerleading
- Crew
- Cricket
- Cross-country and Track
- Cycling
- Dance
- Dek Hockey
- Dodgeball
- Equestrian
- Fencing
- Field Hockey
- Figure Skating
- Flag Football
- Floor Hockey
- Golf
- Gymnastics
- Ice Hockey
- Indoor Winter Guard
- Judo
- Juggling
- Karate
- Korean Karate
- Lacrosse
- Martial Arts
- Nittany Divers
- Nittany Grotto
- Outing
- Ping-Pong
- Power Lifting
- Racquetball
- Rifle
- Roller Hockey
- Rugby
- Sailing
- Shotokan
- Karate-Do
- Ski
- Snowboard
- Soccer
- Softball
- Squash
- Swimming
- Synchronized Swimming
- Table Tennis
- Tae Kwon Do
- Team Handball
- Tennis
- Trapshooting
- Triathlon
- Ultimate Frisbee
- Volleyball
- Water Polo
- Water Ski and Wakeboard
- Wing Chun
- Kung Fu
- Woodsmen's Team
- Wrestling
- Yoga and Meditation

*All information was accurate at press time. The University reserves the right to make changes without notice.

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**Student Clubs and Organizations**

This chart presents the clubs and organizations that prospective students ask about most frequently. For more information, or to inquire about additional offerings, please contact the specific campus or visit clubs.psu.edu.

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