WHAT WILL YOUR PENN STATE STORY BE?
Every Penn Stater has a story. What do you want yours to be?

The Penn State story is where old-school tradition meets 21st-century innovation. Where things like studying hard and making the most of opportunities never go out of style.

From our earliest days as the Farmers High School to being recognized today as one of the top 100 universities in the world, we’ve measured student success by going from the “ah” of understanding to the “aha!” of discovery.

It’s why Penn State is investing $30 million to nurture business start-ups springing from student ideas and faculty research. It’s why new majors are being launched to meet the demands of a changing, challenging, and technologically charged world. And it’s why Penn State is at the forefront in solutions to address some of the most pressing environmental and humanitarian problems facing the planet.

It’s a story that you can be part of.

What will your Penn State story be?
Start finding out today.
Numbers only tell part of the story. To get the whole story, you have to look past the numbers.

That’s when you begin to see how Penn State students come together from 20 undergraduate campuses as one community and how a vast alumni network of more than 650,000 becomes an extended family.

Look closer, and the numbers show the power of a shared purpose to live, learn, and succeed.

That’s the Penn State story.
WE ARE
A COMMUNITY
OF MORE THAN
79
THOUSAND
UNDERGRADUATE
STUDENTS*
STUDYING OVER
160
MAJORS AT
20
UNIQUE CAMPUSES
ACROSS THE STATE AND AROUND
THE WORLD THROUGH THE
WORLD CAMPUS, OUR ONLINE
LEARNING LOCATION

*Includes students enrolled in associate and
bachelor degree programs or in non-degree
status at Penn State’s 20 undergraduate
campuses and the World Campus

WE ARE PENN STATE
STRENGTH IN NUMBERS

UNDERGRADUATE BACCALAUREATE STUDENT POPULATION
(Fall 2016)

29,951 COMMONWEALTH CAMPUS STUDENTS
7,919 WORLD CAMPUS (ONLINE) STUDENTS
22% STUDENTS OF COLOR
(OF TOTAL UNDERGRADUATE ENROLLMENT)
6,688 INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS
68% PENNSYLVANIA RESIDENTS
54% MEN
46% WOMEN
7,598 FIRST-YEAR COMMONWEALTH CAMPUS STUDENTS
41,359 UNIVERSITY PARK STUDENTS
8,444 FIRST-YEAR UNIVERSITY PARK STUDENTS
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WHERE WILL YOUR STORY BEGIN?
CHOOSE A PENN STATE CAMPUS

There is only one Penn State. But the path toward a Penn State degree can start at one of 20 campuses in communities across Pennsylvania. Find the one that’s right for you.

Campus Options

► 20 unique community settings
► Variety of urban, suburban, and rural locations, including several campuses within a short drive of Philadelphia, Pittsburgh, and other major cities
► Options for living on campus, off campus, or commuting from home
► Four-year degrees at every campus
► Engaged learning opportunities capitalizing on campus partnerships with local business and industry
► Clubs, organizations, and athletic teams at all locations
► Tuition savings—see the “Know Your Numbers” section on page 11 to compare campus costs

Come visit and find the campus that’s right for you!
admissions.psu.edu/visit

HAVE YOU HEARD ABOUT THE 2+2 PLAN?

More than 50 percent of students spend their first two years at one campus, then transition to another campus to finish their degree. We call it the 2+2 plan, and it’s the most common path to a Penn State degree.
Deciding what to do with the rest of your life can be daunting. Think of this as a starting point.

This list of Penn State majors is organized to help you find majors that match your interests.

### Baccalaureate (Four-Year) Degree Programs

Note: Some majors are listed under more than one subject area.

- Unless otherwise noted, a major can be started at any campus and completed at University Park.
- Majors that can be completed at multiple campuses list the campuses that offer the degree.
- Majors that require starting and completing study at a specific campus are also noted.
- Majors offered through the World Campus, Penn State's online program, must be started and completed through the World Campus.

#### Biological (Life) Sciences

- **Biobehavioral Health**
  - Greater Allegheny, Lehigh Valley, New Kensington, University Park, World Campus
- **Biochemistry and Molecular Biology**
  - Berks, University Park
- **Biological Anthropology**
- **Biological Engineering**
  - Abington, Altoona, Behrend, Berks, Brandywine, Harrisburg, Schuylkill, University Park, Worthington Scranton, York
- **Biomedical Engineering**
- **Biotechnology**
- **Food Science**
- **Forensic Science**
- **Immunology and Infectious Disease**
  - Berks, Harrisburg, University Park
- **Kinesiology**
  - Berks, Harrisburg, University Park
- **Microbiology**
- **Nutritional Sciences**
- **Plant Sciences**
- **Premedical-Medical, Accelerated**
  - start and complete at University Park
- **Premedicine**
- **Science**
  - Abington, Altoona, Behrend, Berks, Harrisburg, University Park, Worthington Scranton, York
- **Toxicology**
- **Veterinary and Biomedical Sciences**

#### Agriculture and Natural Resources

- **Agribusiness Management**
  - Abington, Harrisburg, University Park, World Campus
- **Agricultural and Extension Education**
- **Agricultural Science**
- **Animal Science**
- **Biological Engineering**
- **BioRenewable Systems**
- **Community, Environment, and Development**
- **Earth Science and Policy**
- **Earth Sciences**
- **Environmental Resource Management**
  - Environmental Science
  - Behrend
- **Environmental Studies**
  - Altoona
- **Environmental Systems Engineering**
- **Food Science**
- **Forest Ecosystem Management**
- **Immunology and Infectious Disease**
- **Landscape Contracting**
- **Plant Sciences**
- **Toxicology**
  - Turfgrass Science
  - University Park, World Campus
- **Veterinary and Biomedical Sciences**
  - Wildlife and Fisheries Science

#### Architecture and Environmental Design

- **Architectural Engineering**
  - Architecture
  - start and complete at University Park
- **Landscape Architecture**
  - Landscape Contracting

#### Arts (Visual and Performing)

- **Art**
  - start and complete at Abington or start and complete at University Park
- **Art Education**
  - start and complete at University Park
- **Art History**
  - start and complete at University Park
- **Arts Administration**
  - Behrend; Digital Media Option: Lehigh Valley
- **Digital Media, Arts, and Technology**
  - Behrend
  - Digital Multimedia Design
  - start and complete at University Park
- **Integrative Arts**
  - Abington, Altoona, University Park
- **Interdisciplinary Digital Studio**
  - start and complete at University Park
- **Music, B.A.**
  - start and complete at University Park
- **Music, B.M.**
  - start and complete at University Park
- **Music Education**
  - start and complete at University Park
- **Musical Arts**
  - start and complete at University Park
- **Musical Theatre**
  - start and complete at University Park
- **Theatre, B.A.**
  - start and complete at Abington or start and complete at Berks
- **Theatre, B.F.A.**
  - start and complete at University Park
- **Visual Art Studies**
  - Behrend

#### Business

- **Accounting**
  - Abington, Behrend, Berks, Harrisburg, University Park, World Campus
- **Agribusiness Management**
  - University Park, World Campus
- **Arts Administration**
  - Behrend; Digital Media Option: Lehigh Valley
- **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**
  - Behrend
- **Corporate Communication**
  - Abington, DuBois, Fraser, Hazleton, Lehigh Valley, Schuylkill, Wilkes-Barre, Worthington Scranton
- **Corporate Innovation and Entrepreneurship**
  - Behrend, University Park, World Campus
- **Economics**
  - Behrend, University Park, World Campus
- **Energy and Sustainability Policy**
  - World Campus
- **Energy Business and Finance**
  - Finance
  - Behrend, Harrisburg, University Park, World Campus
- **Golf Management**
  - Harrisburg, start and complete at University Park
- **Health Policy and Administration**
  - Harrisburg, Lehigh Valley, Mont Alto, University Park, World Campus
- **Hospitality Management**
  - Berks, University Park
- **Information Sciences and Technology**
  - start at any campus except Behrend and finish at 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
- **Interdisciplinary Business with Engineering Studies**
  - Behrend
- **International Business**
  - Behrend
- **Labor and Employment Relations**
  - University Park, World Campus
- **Management**
  - Harrisburg, University Park
- **Management Information Systems**
  - Behrend, University Park
- **Marketing**
  - Behrend, Harrisburg, University Park, World Campus
- **Project and Supply Chain Management**
  - Beaver, Behrend, Fayette, Greater Allegheny, Harrisburg, Lehigh Valley, New Kensington, Shenango
- **Recreation, Park, and Tourism Management**
- **Risk Management**
- **Supply Chain and Information Systems**
- **Telecommunications**
Communications
- Advertising/Public Relations, University Park, Strategic Communications option: World Campus
- Communication, Behrend

Communication Arts and Sciences
- Berks, Brandywine, University Park, York
- Altoona, Beaver, Brandywine, Greater Allegheny, Harrisburg, New Kensington

Corporate Communication
- Abington, Fayette, Hazleton, Lehigh Valley, Schuylkill, Wilkes-Barre, Worthington Scranton

Creative Writing
- Behrend

Digital Media, Arts, and Technology

Education
- Agricultural and Extension Education
- Art Education, start and complete at University Park
- Education and Public Policy

Computer Engineering
- Behrend, University Park
- Computer Sciences, Behrend, Harrisburg, University Park
- Data Sciences, Behrend
- Digital Media, Arts, and Technology, Behrend

Information Sciences and Technology
- start at any campus except Behrend and finish at Abington, Beaver, Berks, Brandywine, Greater Allegheny, Harrisburg, Lehigh Valley, Mont Alto, New Kensington, Schuylkill, University Park, Wilkes-Barre, World Campus, Worthington Scranton, York

Information Systems
- Harrisburg

Management Information Systems
- Behrend, University Park

Security and Risk Analysis
- start at any campus except Behrend and finish at Altoona, Berks, Harrisburg, University Park, World Campus

Social Data Analytics
- Software Engineering, Behrend, World Campus

Engineering
- Aerospace Engineering
- Architectural Engineering
- Biological Engineering
- Biomedical Engineering
- Chemical Engineering
- Civil Engineering
- Computer Engineering, Behrend, University Park

Computer Science
- Behrend, Harrisburg, University Park

Electrical Engineering
- Behrend, Harrisburg, University Park

Electro-Mechanical Engineering Technology
- Altoona, Berks, New Kensington, York

Engineering Science
- Environmental Systems Engineering

General Engineering
- Abington, Brandywine, Dubois, Hazleton

Industrial Engineering
- Behrend, University Park

Interdisciplinary Business with Engineering Studies
- Behrend

Materials Science and Engineering
- Behrend, Berks, Harrisburg, University Park

Mechanical Engineering
- Behrend, Berks, Harrisburg, University Park

Mining Engineering
- Nuclear Engineering

Petroleum and Natural Gas Engineering
- Rail Transportation Engineering
- Software Engineering, Behrend, World Campus

Surveying Engineering
- Wilkes-Barre

Engineering Technologies
- Electrical and Computer Engineering Technology, start and complete at Behrend
- Electrical Engineering Technology, Harrisburg, Wilkes-Barre

Engineering Science
- start and complete at Behrend or start at any campus and complete at Harrisburg

Interdisciplinary Business with Engineering Studies
- Behrend

Materials Science and Engineering
- Behrend, Berks, Harrisburg, University Park

Mechanical Engineering
- Behrend, Berks, Harrisburg, University Park

Mining Engineering
- Nuclear Engineering

Plastics Engineering Technology
- start and complete at Behrend

Structural Design and Construction Engineering Technology
- Harrisburg

Health Professions and Recreational Services
- Athletic Training
- Biobehavioral Health
- Greater Allegheny, Lehigh Valley, New Kensington, University Park, World Campus
- Biotechnology
- Communication Sciences and Disorders
- Golf Management, start and complete at University Park

Health Policy and Administration
- Berks, University Park, World Campus

Hospitality Management
- Berks, University Park

Kinesiology
- Berks, University Park

Nursing
- Altoona, Behrend, Fayette, Mont Alto, University Park, Worthington Scranton

Nutritional Sciences
- Harrisburg

Physical Therapy, Accelerated Bachelor of Science/Doctor of Physical Therapy
- start only at Abington

Premedical-Medical, Accelerated
- start only at University Park

Premedicine
- Recreation, Park, and Tourism Management

Rehabilitation and Human Services
- Abington, Berks, Hazleton, Lehigh Valley, University Park, Wilkes-Barre

Social Data Analytics
- start at any campus except Behrend and finish at Altoona, Berks, Harrisburg, University Park, World Campus

Humanities and Language
- Asian Studies
- Chinese
- Classics and Ancient Mediterranean Studies
- Communication Arts and Sciences, Berks, Brandywine, University Park, York

Comparative Literature
- Creative Writing, Behrend

German
- Global and International Studies
- History, Abington, Altoona, Behrend, University Park

Humanities
- Harrisburg

Integrated Social Sciences
- World Campus

Italian

Japanese
- Latin American Studies
- Law and Society, World Campus

Letters, Arts, and Sciences
- Harrisburg

Medieval Studies
- Philosophy
- Professional Writing, Berks

Spanish

What Will You Become? CHOOSING A MAJOR

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## Interdisciplinary Studies
- African American Studies
- African Studies
- American Studies
- Asian Studies
- Biobehavioral Health
  - Greater Allegheny, Lehigh Valley, New Kensington, University Park
- Communication Arts and Sciences
  - Berks, Brandywine, University Park, York
- Data Sciences
- Digital Media, Arts, and Technology
  - Behrend

## Associate Degree Majors (TWO-YEAR)
- Biomedical Engineering Technology
- Building Engineering Technology
- Business Administration
- Criminal Justice
- Electrical Engineering Technology
- Forest Technology
- General Business
- Human Development and Family Studies
- Information Sciences and Technology
- Lab and Employment Relations
- Letters, Arts, and Sciences
- 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

## Physical Sciences and Mathematics
- Astronomy and Astrophysics
  - Behrend, University Park
- Chemistry
  - Behrend, University Park
- Data Sciences
- Earth Sciences
  - Earth Science and Policy
  - Energy and Sustainability Policy
  - Energy Business and Finance
  - Geobiology
- Geography
- Geosciences
- Mathematical Sciences
- Mathematics
- Meteorology
- Physics
- Planetary Science and Astronomy
- Statistics

## Social Sciences
- Administration of Justice
  - Beaver, DuBois, Fayette, Greater Allegheny, Hazleton, New Kensington, Schuylkill, Shenango, Wilkes-Barre
- Anthropology
- Archaeological Science
- Biobehavioral Health
  - Greater Allegheny, Lehigh Valley, New Kensington, University Park
- Biological Anthropology
- Communication Arts and Sciences
  - Berks, Brandywine, University Park, York
- Criminal Justice
  - Abington, Altoona, Berks, Harrisburg, World Campus
- Criminology
- Earth Science and Policy
- Economics
  - Behrend, University Park, World Campus
- Energy and Sustainability Policy
  - World Campus
- Geography
  - Global and International Studies
- Health Policy and Administration
  - Abington, Behrend, Hazleton, Lehigh Valley, Mont Alto, University Park, World Campus

## Undecided (Exploratory)

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

For the most up-to-date majors information, visit:

[admissions.psu.edu/majors](admissions.psu.edu/majors)
# Tuition and costs

**Here’s where the story gets real.**

The information on these pages can help you decide if your academic record and your financial resources are a good match with what Penn State has to offer.

- The costs in the chart below cover a two-semester academic year (fall and spring semesters).
- Students are billed for one semester at a time.
- Penn State offers an optional installment payment plan.

### Penn State Costs by Campus (2016–17)

*For Estimating Purposes Only*

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<td><strong>$26,366–31,120</strong></td>
<td><strong>$33,112–39,126</strong></td>
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Applying for financial aid

Financial aid—whether in the form of loans, grants, work-study, or scholarships—can be an important part of putting a Penn State degree within reach.

Start by submitting the **Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)** on the Web at [fafsa.ed.gov](http://fafsa.ed.gov). Penn State’s federal school code for the FAFSA is **003329**.

Next, if you have filed your 2016 Federal Income Tax Return, we recommend that you use the **IRS Data Retrieval Tool**—available after **October 1**—on the FAFSA website to complete your FAFSA. Using the tool will save you time and increase the accuracy of your FAFSA.

Complete the FAFSA on the Web by **February 15**. If you submit your FAFSA by **February 15** of your senior year, you will receive your Student Aid Award Notification, which will include all forms of student aid, in early March. This will allow maximum consideration for student financial aid.

Please note: Pennsylvania residents must submit their FAFSA by **May 1** in order to be eligible for the **Pennsylvania State Grant**.

**SCHOLARSHIPS**

All students who are offered admission and submit a FAFSA are considered for scholarships awarded by the Office of Student Aid. Some academic colleges, campuses, and other administrative units may require additional information for a particular scholarship award. Notification of scholarship awards begins in early spring.

*Penn State Abington, Penn State Altoona, Penn State Beaver, Penn State Berks, Penn State Brandywine, Penn State DuBois, Penn State Erie, Penn State Fayette, Penn State Greater Allegheny, Penn State Harrisburg, Penn State Hazleton, Penn State Lehigh Valley, Penn State Mont Alto, Penn State New Kensington, Penn State Schuylkill, Penn State Shenango, Penn State Wilkes-Barre, Penn State Worthington Scranton, Penn State York, Penn State World Campus (All World Campus students pay the same tuition rate [$13,902–14,610], regardless of residence.)

Explore Penn State scholarships and view more information about the University’s financial aid process at: [studentaid.psu.edu](http://studentaid.psu.edu)

63,913 UNDERGRAD FINANCIAL AID RECIPIENTS

71% UNDERGRADS RECEIVE FINANCIAL AID

1 IN 4 UNDERGRADS RECEIVE A UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIP
Estimating your admission eligibility

At Penn State, an admission decision is an academic decision.

You’re applying to college—an academic endeavor—and, in reviewing your application, we are basing our decision on your academic credentials. Your prior academic record gives us a good idea of how prepared you are for the Penn State classroom.

**Middle 50 Percent of Admitted Students (Fall 2017)**

*For estimating purposes only.*

Keep in mind that the middle 50 percent ranges shown below are not cutoffs or averages. Rather, they show what the majority of those accepted into Penn State looked like academically at the time they were offered admission. And remember that 25 percent of those offered admission were above the high end of the chart and that 25 percent were just slightly below the lower end of those ranges. This chart in no way represents a promise or guarantee of admission.

**High School GPA**

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**SAT Score**

* (1600-point scale)

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**ACT Score**

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**Penn State Admission**

(summer/fall 2016)

- 69,116
- 16,042
- 8,444

First-year Bachelor’s Degree Applications
Entering First-year Bachelor’s Degree Students (University-wide, excluding World Campus)
University Park First-year Bachelor’s Degree Students
Making choices

To help you think things through, follow these steps when applying to Penn State:

1. **What to study**—You’ve seen our majors listed on pages 8–10 and looked over the 160+ majors at Penn State.

Now, if you can narrow down your interests to fit a specific major or several majors that fall under one college, great. If not, consider entering Penn State through the Division of Undergraduate Studies, our exploratory program.

2. **Where**—With 20 campuses across Pennsylvania, choose a campus that is the right fit for you. Think about location. Consider housing. Look at costs. And keep in mind that almost all majors can be started at any Penn State campus and will finish with your final two years of study at the University Park campus.

3. **How much**—College is a major investment, so knowing the costs up front is important. Figure out how you plan to pay for your education. Consider lower-cost campuses to make a Penn State degree more affordable right from the start.

4. **When**—If you are applying to University Park as your first choice, we strongly encourage you to consider adding the summer start option to your application. The six-week summer session, which begins in late June, can give you a head start on your studies and adjusting to life at Penn State.

**APPLICATION TIMELINE—KEY DATES IN THE APPLICATION PROCESS**

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<td>The undergraduate application is available on this date. Get started at admissions.psu.edu.</td>
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SOME THINGS TO KEEP IN MIND WHEN APPLYING

- Of all of Penn State’s campuses, University Park, particularly for the fall semester, is the most competitive and selective when it comes to admission. To give yourself a second review for University Park admission, add the summer session option to your application.

- Speaking of campus selection, admission criteria varies by campus. You are allowed to select up to two campuses on your application. It’s always a good idea to add an alternate choice campus to your application.

- We—Penn State Undergraduate Admissions—will review your application based on your preferences. That means your first review will be for your first-choice campus and term.

- Make sure your intended major can be completed at the campus where you plan to earn your degree (you can review each major and find the starting and ending campuses at admissions.psu.edu/majors).

- Review the high school requirements for your intended major at admissions.psu.edu/apply/requirements/4year.

A half-year of trigonometry, pre-calculus, or calculus is required for admission into the following:

- Smeal College of Business
- all other business degrees offered at individual campuses
- College of Earth and Mineral Science
- College of Engineering
- engineering and engineering technology degrees offered at Penn State Behrend and Penn State Harrisburg

- College of Information Sciences and Technology
- Eberly College of Science
- all other science degrees offered at Penn State Altoona, Penn State Abington, Penn State Behrend, Penn State Berks, Penn State Harrisburg, and Penn State Lehigh Valley

What does it mean to submit a complete application by November 30?

- Your online application is finished and complete
- Your SAT or ACT test scores were sent to Penn State by the testing agency (SAT code #2660; ACT code #3656). Plan ahead—the scores must be received by Penn State by November 30.
- A complete and accurate high school record has been submitted.

FEBRUARY 15
Submit your FAFSA to Penn State by February 15 for maximum financial aid consideration.

EARLY MARCH
Student aid awarding begins.

LATE OCTOBER–MAY 1
Admission decisions are released during this window of time.

NOVEMBER 30
This is the priority filing date. Submitting a complete application by November 30 means your application will be reviewed and released in our first round of decisions.

JANUARY 31
If you submitted a complete application by the November 30 priority filing date, you will receive an admission decision by this date.

MAY 1
National Acceptance Day
For most students, this date is the deadline for accepting your offer of admission by paying your deposit.
At Penn State, making your mark gets personal.

Penn Staters share a passion for making the world a better place. And Penn Staters know that making that mark—that impact—can be done in and out of the classroom.

Making a mark is about building things that last. At Penn State, it can be found in the people you meet, the projects and organizations that you get involved in, and the memories you make that will last a lifetime.

“I want the disabled to regain their mobility. It’s a really big goal and I love it. This is my chance to leave my mark and have an impact.”

Penn Staters /pen ‘stā-derz/ collective noun
A term describing the community created by more than 79,000 students and more than 650,000 alumni affiliated with Penn State.
“We built a bridge in Panama. It was super hot outside, it was pouring rain—and it ended up being one of the best days of my life.”

-Colleen Kelsey  
Science major

“We stayed up all night to patrol for turtles. It was worth it. Studying animals, the environment, and eco-systems is what I have a passion for.”

-Colleen Kelsey  
Science major

“I got involved right from the start. My involvement with the Multi-cultural Engineering Orientation Program jumpstarted my Penn State experience and showed me what it takes to be successful.”

-Serge Gaba  
Computer Science and Information Sciences and Technology major

“95%+ STUDENTS INVOLVED IN 1200+ CLUBS AND ACTIVITIES”

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