PENN STATE UP CLOSE
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 of being 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.

That’s the Penn State story.

But for Penn Staters—our students and alumni—that story gets personal. It’s in how a student body of more than 97,000 feels like a community and an alumni network of 645,000 becomes a family. It’s about relationships, moments, and memories that will last a lifetime.

What will your Penn State story be? Start finding out today.
MY TIME HERE AT PENN STATE HAS BEEN AMAZING.

RAMON GUZMAN, Education and Public Policy

“I sometimes walk around Penn State early in the morning or after my run or late at night coming back from meetings, and I stop and say out loud ‘thank you’ to the entire campus.”

For Ramon and his older sister, also a Penn Stater, the University is about family. As the first members of their family to go to college, he says, it’s a big deal to be here. But Ramon has found his Penn State family, too.

“The community here makes you feel like family. You see it when you’re here. You feel it.”

At Penn State, success is built upon a diverse learning community dedicated to students learning, achieving, and building the futures they’ve dreamed of.

“When I look back in 10 or 15 years, I’m going to be really glad I came here because it challenged me, not only as a student but also as a person.”
**Student Demographics (fall 2015)**

- **Enrollment (fall 2015)**
  - 97,494 students University-wide
    - (includes World Campus, Penn State Law, Great Valley School of Graduate and Professional Studies, Penn State College of Medicine at The Milton S. Hershey Medical Center, and Pennsylvania College of Technology)
  - 50 states
  - 131 countries
  - 66% Pennsylvania residents
  - 54% men
  - 46% women
  - 19% of total enrollment students of color
  - 8,625 International student population
  - 28% University-wide out-of-state first-year students
  - 37% University Park out-of-state first-year students

**Admission (summer/fall 2015)**

- **FIRST-YEAR BACHELOR’S DEGREE APPLICATIONS:**
  - 69,116
  - 9,597

- **FIRST-YEAR BACHELOR’S DEGREE STUDENTS AT UNIVERSITY PARK:**
  - 7,875
  - 433

- **FIRST-YEAR BACHELOR’S DEGREE STUDENTS UNIVERSITY-WIDE:**
  - 21,025
  - 2,001

- **ENTERING TRANSFER BACHELOR’S DEGREE APPLICATIONS:**
  - University Park
  - University-wide

- **ENTERING TRANSFER BACHELOR’S DEGREE STUDENTS AT UNIVERSITY PARK:**
  - 433

- **ENTERING TRANSFER BACHELOR’S DEGREE STUDENTS UNIVERSITY-WIDE:**
  - 2,001

- **Pennsylvania residents:**
  - 50%

- **Out-of-state first-year students:**
  - 66%

- **Students of color:**
  - 19% of total enrollment
A Penn State for You

There is only one Penn State. But that one is made up of 20 undergraduate campuses. And there is strength in those numbers.

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

Each campus is a unique, vibrant learning community yet still distinctly Penn State. The University’s campus system offers locations that appeal to various interests—urban or rural; close to home or a little farther away—always with personal attention and a world-class education. Plus, tuition savings at campuses outside of University Park can make a Penn State degree even more affordable.

Choosing a campus that’s right for you means considering what type of environment will give you the best start toward achieving a Penn State degree. It means thinking about your academic interests along with extracurricular pursuits. It can mean considering a campus location other than University Park to start—and perhaps even finish—your degree.

There is only one Penn State. But the paths leading to a Penn State degree start at 20 campuses in communities across Pennsylvania.

Find the one that’s right for you.

CAMPUS OFFERINGS
—a variety of rural and suburban settings
—several campuses within a short drive of Philadelphia, Pittsburgh, and other urban areas
—options for living on campus, off campus, or commuting from home
—four-year degrees offered at each campus

THE 2+2 PLAN
Many students (more than 50 percent in a typical year) 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.

A visit is the best way to learn more about any campus. To schedule a visit, contact the admissions office at the campus that interests you.
MAJORS

BACCALAUREATE (FOUR-YEAR) DEGREE PROGRAMS

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

Agriculture and Natural Resources
Agribusiness Management
Agricultural and Extension Education
Agricultural Science
Animal Science
Biological Engineering
BioRenewable Systems
Community, Environment, and Development
Earth Science and Policy
Earth Sciences
Energy and Sustainability Policy*
Environmental Resource Management
Environmental Science
Environmental Studies
Environmental Systems Engineering
Food Science
Forest Ecosystem Management
Immunology and Infectious Disease
Landscape Contracting
Plant Sciences
Toxicology
Turfgrass Science
Veterinary and Biomedical Sciences
Wildlife and Fisheries Science

Architecture and Environmental Design
Architectural Engineering
Architecture
Landscape Architecture
Landscape Contracting

Arts: Visual and Performing
Art, B.A.
Art, B.F.A.
Art Education
Art History
Arts Administration
Graphic Design
Integrative Arts
Interdisciplinary Digital Studio
Music
Music Education
Musical Arts
Musical Theatre
Theatre, B.A.
Theatre, B.F.A.
Visual Art Studies

Biological (Life) Sciences
Biochemistry and Molecular Biology
Biological Anthropology
Biological Engineering
Biology

Biomedical Engineering
Biology
Food Science
Forensic Science
Immunology and Infectious Disease
Kinesiology
Microbiology
Nutritional Sciences
Plant Sciences
Premedical-Medical (Accelerated Program)
Premedicine
Science
Toxicology
Veterinary and Biomedical Sciences

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

Communications
Advertising/Public Relations
Communication
Communication Arts and Sciences
Communications
Corporate Communication
Film-Video
Journalism
Media Studies
Political Science, B.S.
Telecommunications
Writing, Creative
Writing, Professional

Computer and Information Systems
Computer Engineering
Computer Science
Information Sciences and Technology
Information Systems
Management Information Systems
Security and Risk Analysis
Social Data Analytics
Software Engineering

Education
Agricultural and Extension Education
Art Education
Childhood and Early Adolescent Education
Education and Public Policy
Elementary Education
Music Education
Rehabilitation and Human Services
Secondary Education (multiple options)
Special Education
Workforce Education and Development
World Languages (K–12) Education (multiple options)

Engineering
Aerospace Engineering
Architectural Engineering
Biological Engineering
Biomedical Engineering
Chemical Engineering
Civil Engineering
Computer Engineering
Computer Science
Electrical Engineering
Electro-Mechanical Engineering Technology
Energy Engineering
Engineering Science
Environmental Systems Engineering
General Engineering
Industrial Engineering
Interdisciplinary Business with Engineering Studies
Materials Science and Engineering
Mechanical Engineering
Mining Engineering
Nuclear Engineering
Petroleum and Natural Gas Engineering
Rail Transportation Engineering
Software Engineering
Surveying Engineering

Engineering Technologies
Electrical and Computer Engineering Technology
Electrical Engineering Technology
For the most up-to-date majors information, visit admissions.psu.edu.

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

**Enrollment by degree program**

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<td>17,814</td>
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**160+ MAJORS 6,000+ FULL-TIME FACULTY**

**Interdisciplinary Studies**

- African American Studies
- African Studies
- American Studies
- Asian Studies
- General Arts and Sciences
- Global Studies
- Health Policy Administration
- Information Sciences and Technology
- Information Systems
- Interdisciplinary Business with
- Engineering Studies
- Jewish Studies
- Kinesiology
- Latin American Studies
- Law and Society*
- Letters, Arts, and Sciences
- Organizational Leadership
- Political Science
- Rehabilitation and Human Services
- Security and Risk Analysis
- Science B.S./M.B.A.
- Social Data Analytics
- Women’s Studies

**Physical Sciences and Mathematics**

- Astronomy and Astrophysics
- Chemistry
- Earth Sciences
- Energy and Sustainability Policy*
- Energy Business and Finance
- Geobiology
- Geography
- Geosciences
- Mathematics
- Meteorology
- Physics
- Planetary Science and Astronomy
- Science
- Science B.S./M.B.A.
- Statistics

**Social Sciences**

- Administration of Justice
- Anthropology
- Applied Behavioral Science
- Applied Psychology
- Archaeological Science

**Baccalaureate Majors**

- Biological Anthropology
- Communication Arts and Sciences
- Criminal Justice
- Criminology
- Earth Science and Policy
- Economics
- Energy and Sustainability Policy*
- Geography
- Health Policy and Administration
- Human Development and Family Studies
- Information Sciences and Technology
- Information Systems
- International Politics
- Labor and Employment Relations
- Law and Society*
- Political Science
- Psychological and Social Sciences
- Psychology
- Public Policy
- Rehabilitation and Human Services
- Security and Risk Analysis
- Social Data Analytics
- Sociology

**Division of Undergraduate Studies**

An enrollment and advising unit for students who prefer to explore several academic programs before choosing a major.

**ASSOCIATE (TWO-YEAR) DEGREE PROGRAMS**

- Biomedical Engineering Technology
- Business Administration
- General Business
- 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
- 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
ADMISSION TIMELINE

**September 1:** Undergraduate Admission application is available online at admissions.psu.edu.

**Late October–May 1:** Admission decisions released.

**November 30:** Priority filing date (date to ensure application review in first round of decisions).

**January 31:** Date by which November 30 applicants will receive an admission decision.

**May 1:** National Acceptance Day—for most students, it’s the date by which you have to accept your offer of admission.

Applying to Penn State gives you a lot to think about.

You have to consider what you want to study.

And where—there are 20 undergraduate campuses throughout Pennsylvania from which to choose.

And when—because if you are considering University Park, you have the option of attending summer session, a six-week term that gives you a head start on your first year and allows you to make the transition from high school to college during a time when campus life is a little more relaxed.

Explore all of your options at admissions.psu.edu.

Once you’ve considered what Penn State can offer you, we strongly encourage you to file a complete application by November 30 of your senior year. For an application to be considered complete and ready for review, we need to have received:

—your submitted online application
—test scores sent to us by the testing agency (so, SAT scores come to us from the College Board; ACT scores come to us from ACT)
—official 9th, 10th, and 11th grade transcripts and your senior year schedule, sent to us by your school counselor

Some programs and campuses fill quickly, so your best chance to get what you want, when and where you want, is to apply by the November 30 recommended filing date.

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.

The same is true for different campuses—admission criteria varies by campus. It’s always a good idea to add a first-choice campus for review along with an alternate campus choice.

And know that we will always review your application based on your preferences. That means your first review will be for your first-choice campus and term.

> Make sure the intended major you choose can be completed at the ending campus you select on your application (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 Smeal College of Business, the Eberly College of Science, and the colleges of Earth and Mineral Sciences, Engineering, and Information Sciences and Technology.
Estimating your eligibility

At Penn State, an admission decision is an academic decision. Which makes sense when you think about it. You’re applying to college—an academic endeavor—and, in reviewing your application, we are assessing your preparedness to be successful right from the start.

High school performance—your grades, the rigor of your schedule, and class rank, if available—accounts for about two-thirds of the application review and decision. Much of the remaining third is based upon standardized test scores (either the SAT or the ACT).

To give you an idea of how your grades and test scores align with those of successful applicants, the chart below gives a snapshot of academic credentials of students admitted for summer/fall 2016.

Keep in mind that the middle 50 percent ranges shown 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.

The new SAT

Penn State accepts SAT scores for both the new SAT, which debuted in March 2016, and the former version of the test.

The optional writing essay is not required.

SAT subject tests are not part of the application review.

MIDDLE 50 PERCENT OF ADMITTED STUDENTS FOR SUMMER/FALL 2016 (FOR ESTIMATING PURPOSES ONLY)

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<th>University Park</th>
<th>All other campuses</th>
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<tr>
<td>HIGH SCHOOL GPA (4.0 SCALE)</td>
<td>3.55–3.97</td>
<td>3.00–3.50</td>
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<tr>
<td>COMBINED SAT*</td>
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<td>PRE-MARCH 2016 SAT†</td>
<td>1170–1350</td>
<td>980–1180</td>
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<td>Critical Reading + Math</td>
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<td>NEW SAT TEST (debuted March 2016) † †</td>
<td>1240–1410</td>
<td>1060–1250</td>
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<td>Evidence-Based Reading and Writing + Math</td>
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<td>COMPOSITE ACT</td>
<td>26–30</td>
<td>21–25</td>
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* Scores computed based on a 1600-point scale.
† For summer/fall 2016 admission, the writing portion of the SAT administered prior to March 2016 was not used in the application review and decision.
† † The new SAT scores shown here represent conversions of the prior test’s scores to fit the new test’s structure and 1600-point scale. This chart in no way represents a promise or guarantee of admission.
Tuition and costs

The costs in the chart below cover a two-semester academic year. Students are billed for one semester at a time. Penn State offers an optional payment plan to students and their families. For more information on tuition payment, visit the Bursar’s office website at bursar.psu.edu.

2015–16 PENN STATE COSTS BY CAMPUS (FOR ESTIMATING PURPOSES ONLY)

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<th>PA Resident</th>
<th>Non-PA Resident</th>
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<td>Tuition and Fees</td>
<td>$17,514</td>
<td>$31,346</td>
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<td>Additional Estimated Costs*</td>
<td>$11,926-14,926</td>
<td>$11,926-14,926</td>
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<td>TOTAL</td>
<td>$29,440-32,440</td>
<td>$43,272-46,272</td>
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PA Resident and Non-PA Resident

PA Resident

- Room and Meals (included above) $10,926

TOTAL $11,926-14,926

*Additional Estimated Costs at ALL CAMPUSES

Room and Meals (included above)

Miscellaneous costs (travel, personal expenses, books, supplies, etc.) vary by individual and academic program of study.

TOTAL $11,926-14,926

†All World Campus students pay the same tuition rate, regardless of residence.
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.

The first step of the financial aid application process is to submit the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) on the Web at fafsa.ed.gov. Penn State’s federal school code for the FAFSA is 003329.

If you have filed your 2015 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.

To receive maximum consideration for student financial aid, 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.

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

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 separate applications. Notification of scholarship awards begins in early spring.

Visit studentaid.psu.edu to explore Penn State scholarships and the University’s financial aid process.

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Student Financial Aid (2014-15 academic year)

Undergraduate aid recipients: 64,134
Undergraduates receiving aid: 73 percent
Total aid awarded to undergraduates (excludes stipends): $1.005 billion

To estimate your costs to attend Penn State, access the College Cost Calculator at tuition.psu.edu.
WE BUILT A BRIDGE IN PANAMA.

ALLIE HOFFMAN, Civil Engineering, Bridges to Prosperity member

“It was super hot outside, it was pouring rain—and it ended up being one of the best days of my life.”

As a Civil Engineering major, Allie Hoffman focuses on building things. And through a student organization called Bridges to Prosperity, she has helped build bridges—and relationships—in rural Panama communities.

“There was no cement mixer truck, no machinery. We had to do everything by hand. But people from the community came out to help, and everyone was laughing and working together.”

“With that kind of experience, I feel like I’m prepared for anything in my first job after I graduate.”
NOV 30
PRIORITY
DATE

APPLICATION for all Penn State campuses available online at admissions.psu.edu on September 1. Priority application filing date is November 30.

ACADEMIC AREAS

Agricultural Sciences
814-865-7521
agsci.psu.edu

Arts and Architecture
814-865-9523
artsandarchitecture.psu.edu

Smeal College of Business
814-863-1947
smeal.psu.edu

Communications
814-865-1503
comm.psu.edu

Earth and Mineral Sciences
814-863-2751
www.ems.psu.edu

Education
814-865-0488
ed.psu.edu

Engineering
814-863-1033
www.engr.psu.edu

Health and Human Development
814-865-2156
hhd.psu.edu

Information Sciences and Technology
814-865-8947/866-2965
ist.psu.edu

Liberal Arts
814-865-2645
www.la.psu.edu

Nursing
814-863-0245
nursing.psu.edu

Eberly College of Science
814-865-2609
science.psu.edu

Schreyer Honors College
814-863-2635
shc.psu.edu

Division of Undergraduate Studies
814-865-7576
dus.psu.edu

PENN STATE ADMISSIONS OUTREACH

Philadelphia
philacrc@psu.edu
215-266-4000

Pittsburgh
pghcrc@psu.edu
412-268-4000

REGIONAL RECRUITERS

New Jersey
973-883-0159
njcrc@psu.edu

New York City
718-862-2965
nycadmissions@psu.edu

Washington, D.C., Maryland, and Virginia area
814-876-0405
DCMDVA-admissions@psu.edu

OTHER

Adult Learner Programs and Services
814-863-7378
studentaffairs.psu.edu/adults

Blue Band
814-865-3982
blueband.psu.edu

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

Disability Services
814-863-1807 (voice or TTY)*
disabilityservices@psu.edu

Housing
814-865-7543 (University Park)
814-865-7862 (Commonwealth Campuses)
hfs.psu.edu

Intercollegiate Athletics
1-800-NITTANY (8269)
gopsusports.com

Education Abroad
814-865-7681
international.psu.edu

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

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

Multicultural Resource Center
814-865-7773
mrc.psu.edu

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

Student Aid Office
(814-865-6301)
studentaid.psu.edu

Veterans Support
814-863-0465
equity.psu.edu/veterans

RESERVE OFFICERS’ TRAINING CORPS (ROTC)

Air Force ROTC
814-865-5453
airforce.psu.edu

Army ROTC
814-863-0368
army.psu.edu

Naval and Marine Corps ROTC
814-865-6289
nrocf.psu.edu

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