

# PENN STATE ERIE, THE BEHREND COLLEGE

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## About the College

**Ralph M. Ford, Chancellor, Penn State Erie, The Behrend College**

Penn State Erie, The Behrend College, gives undergraduate and graduate students the best of two worlds: The friendly, student-centered environment of a smaller college with the academic resources of a major research university. We offer an academically rigorous, globally respected Penn State education in a setting where students can have close interaction with faculty and meaningful out-of-classroom experiences.

With more than 4,500 undergraduate and graduate students, 80-plus academic programs, and an inspiring 854-acre campus, Penn State Behrend is among the largest campuses in the Penn State system.

We're one of the top public colleges and universities in Pennsylvania for student-to-faculty ratio, SAT scores, first-year student retention rate, and graduation rate, based on U.S. News & World Report data. Penn State Behrend's faculty-to-student ratio is 1:16, and the average class size is 26.

MORE INFORMATION ABOUT THE COLLEGE (<http://behrend.psu.edu/>)

## Mission and Goals

There are six hallmarks of the Penn State Behrend experience:

- High Quality: Excellence in academics, research, and outreach
- Student-Centeredness
- Advanced Technology: State-of-the-art classrooms and labs.
- Inspiring Campus Environment
- Diversity: Behrend is a laboratory for ideas, and the more perspectives that can be brought to bear, the greater the learning
- Land-Grant Commitment: We are an economic, social, and cultural catalyst in northwestern Pennsylvania and beyond

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