Penn State Harrisburg, The Capital College

About the College

John M. Mason Jr., Chancellor, Penn State Harrisburg

Penn State Harrisburg is an undergraduate college and graduate school of the University. The Harrisburg campus enrolls nearly 800 graduate students and offers more than 40 graduate programs, including master’s and doctoral degrees and graduate and postbaccalaureate certificates. The college has nationally accredited programs, award-winning faculty who are accomplished teachers and scholars, and the resources of a world-class research university. Penn State Harrisburg is located on a suburban campus in Middletown, Pennsylvania, eight miles east of Harrisburg.

MORE INFORMATION (https://harrisburg.psu.edu/about-us/vision-mission-and-values/)

Mission and Goals

The mission of Penn State Harrisburg is to provide an integrated and responsive approach to education that benefits society. As the largest and most comprehensive of the University’s Commonwealth Campuses, we strive to achieve national and international standing in academic quality and impact upon the progress of society.

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Departments and Schools

School of Behavioral Sciences and Education

The School of Behavioral Sciences and Education’s programs promote the health and well-being of individuals, families, communities and society through education, physical and mental health research, treatment, and prevention. BSED offers graduate programs in psychology, literacy, and adult education, as well as numerous certifications and endorsements for educators.

MORE INFORMATION (https://harrisburg.psu.edu/behavioral-sciences-and-education/)

School of Business Administration

The School of Business Administration is the leading business education center in the region. Its MBA, MSIS, and Master of Professional Accounting programs are accredited by the Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business (AACSB) International, the premier accrediting body for business schools, and a distinction earned by only 4.5% of business programs worldwide.

MORE INFORMATION (https://harrisburg.psu.edu/business-administration/)

School of Humanities

The School of Humanities offers graduate degrees in American studies (M.A. and Ph.D.), communications (M.A.), and humanities (M.A.), as well as graduate certificates in Folklore and Ethnography and Heritage and Museum Practice.

MORE INFORMATION (https://harrisburg.psu.edu/humanities/)

School of Public Affairs

The School of Public Affairs offers high quality graduate education in multiple disciplines in the form of four graduate degrees, five graduate certificates, and a doctoral degree. Its programs are grounded in applied research and an interdisciplinary approach, foster public service, and provide students with the knowledge and skills to solve society’s complex problems.

MORE INFORMATION (https://harrisburg.psu.edu/public-affairs/)

School of Science, Engineering, and Technology

The School of Science, Engineering, and Technology offers master’s degree study in Civil, Electrical, Environmental, and Mechanical Engineering; Computer Science; Engineering Science; Engineering Management; and Environmental Pollution Control.

MORE INFORMATION (https://harrisburg.psu.edu/science-engineering-technology/)

Resources

Career Services

Career Services provides career planning and development services to current students and alumni at no charge.

MORE INFORMATION (https://harrisburg.psu.edu/career-services/)

Counseling and Psychological Services

Psychologists, counselors, and a drug and alcohol specialist are available to work with any current student to address personal concerns. This office offers evening hours and operates under strict confidentiality guidelines.

MORE INFORMATION (https://harrisburg.psu.edu/counseling-psychological-services/)

Graduate and Professional Student Council (GPSC)

The GPSC is the voice for graduate and professional students, providing representation to the Student Government Association, the Graduate School, and all other entities that have an impact on graduate and professional students.

MORE INFORMATION (http://sites.psu.edu/gpsc/)

Graduate Studies Office

The Graduate Studies Office offers support for graduate students and represents the Graduate School at Penn State Harrisburg. Additionally, the office sponsors travel grants for grad students, implements academic policies for graduate programs, and works with the Graduate and Professional Student Council (GPSC).

MORE INFORMATION (https://harrisburg.psu.edu/graduate-studies/)

Housing and Food Services

Housing and Food Services provides student resident services, catering, and operates several dining options on campus.

MORE INFORMATION (http://harrisburgcampusliving.psu.edu/)
International Programs (Study Abroad)
International Programs provides and facilitates international educational opportunities for faculty and students, including study tours and study abroad.
MORE INFORMATION (https://harrisburg.psu.edu/international-programs/)

International Student Support Services
Acts as a liaison between Penn State Harrisburg international students and the Office of Global Programs/DISSA at University Park, assisting with immigration issues, hosting employment information sessions, and providing personal development and growth opportunities for students.
MORE INFORMATION (https://harrisburg.psu.edu/international-student-support-services/)

Learning Center
The Learning Center provides tutoring to undergraduate and graduate students in quantitative courses (mathematics, science, business), writing, speeches and presentations, study skills, American and academic literacy. Our mission is to support students’ self-management of academic and professional goals through collaboration, guidance, and practice in an environment of inclusive excellence.
MORE INFORMATION (https://harrisburg.psu.edu/learning-center/)

Library
This technologically advanced, academic research library includes 300,000 volumes and more than 200 print journals. The library also includes computer labs, multimedia production studios, classrooms, and a variety of study spaces.
MORE INFORMATION (http://www.libraries.psu.edu/psul/harrisburg.html)

Recreation and Aquatics
The campus has a modern fitness facility that includes: a 5,000-square-foot cardio/weight room, a full-size gymnasium, racquetball courts, group exercise rooms, and a variety of equipment that can be signed out. The Aquatics Center offers class and recreational swimming options including lap and open swim hours.
MORE INFORMATION (https://harrisburg.psu.edu/recreation-and-aquatics/)

Research and Outreach
ORO serves as the primary point of contact for external grant submissions, providing assistance with budget preparation, ensuring grants meet sponsor requirements and submitting grants to sponsors on behalf of the University. Additionally, it develops and maintains relationships with individuals and entities from the public, organizations and private sectors.
MORE INFORMATION (https://harrisburg.psu.edu/research-and-outreach/)

Residence Life
Residence Life provides resources and activities to enhance the personal, physical, educational, and social development of campus residents.
MORE INFORMATION (https://harrisburg.psu.edu/disability-services/)

Student Disability Resources
The Student Disability Resources office provides students with disability accommodations to minimize the effects of their disabilities.
MORE INFORMATION (https://harrisburg.psu.edu/disability-services/)

Student Health Services
Assesses and treats student illnesses and provides wellness counseling and preventive health services. Clinician services are offered by appointment.
MORE INFORMATION (https://harrisburg.psu.edu/student-health-services/)

Student Life
More than 100 student clubs and organizations fit any interest, whether you’re looking to get involved in service projects, join a fraternity or sorority, participate in decision-making for the college through Student Government, or join a club that will help you with your major or career goals.
MORE INFORMATION (https://harrisburg.psu.edu/office-of-student-life/)

University Police and Public Safety
The Department of University Police and Public Safety is staffed with sworn police officers and civilian personnel charged with the responsibility of providing a safe environment to the campus community. The police officers of the department enforce state laws as well as University rules and regulations.
MORE INFORMATION (https://harrisburg.psu.edu/safety-police-services/)

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