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ACADEMIC PROGRAMS

Great lawyers are first great students. At Dickinson Law, you’ll develop the skills necessary to practice law in an ever-changing world.

Our reimagined curriculum (https://dickinsonlaw.psu.edu/academics/curriculum) pairs a strong foundational understanding of national and transnational law with invaluable practice experience. We deliberately teach problem-solving skills and other core competencies during your first year of law school. You’ll then plan your upper-level curriculum around the concept of “The Lawyer As…” (https://dickinsonlaw.psu.edu/sites/default/files/The-Lawyer-As.pdf) to acquire specialized substantive knowledge and other practical skills.

Juris Doctor (J.D.)

Our reimagined J.D. program merges theory, doctrine, and experiential learning to produce practice-ready lawyers. Our 1L curriculum introduces both lawyering skills and extra-legal competencies. Then, your upper-level “The Lawyer As…” curriculum begins to shape your career with a concentrated focus on specific areas of legal practice. Courses are taught by a full-time faculty with extensive practice experience, along with sitting judges and practicing attorneys.

MORE INFORMATION ABOUT THE JURIS DOCTOR DEGREE (https://dickinsonlaw.psu.edu/academics/curriculum/jd-program)

Admission Requirements

Dickinson Law awards both the Juris Doctor (J.D.) degree and Master of Laws (LL.M.) degree. Our J.D. program merges theory, doctrine, and experiential learning to produce profession-ready lawyers.

Prospective students may apply to Dickinson Law’s J.D. program through the Law School’s regular decision process or the binding early decision process. The regular decision application opens on September 1 and closes on December 30 and the early decision application opens on September 1 and closes on December 1. Students who apply through the Law School’s early decision process will be notified of a decision by December 30 and, if admitted, these students agree to:

1. withdraw any pending applications to other law schools;
2. not initiate any new applications to other law schools; and
3. enroll at Dickinson Law in the Fall semester.

Dickinson Law is a paperless office and applicants must apply electronically through LSAC. Dickinson Law’s admissions team reviews completed applications only and renders decisions on an ongoing basis. Although the Admissions Committee attempts to notify candidates whose files are incomplete, it is ultimately the applicant’s responsibility to ensure timely submission of a complete application.

Learn more about the admissions requirements for the Juris Doctor (J.D.) (https://dickinsonlaw.psu.edu/admissions-aid/apply) degree, including how to apply and the admissions timeline.

Program Requirements

J.D. Requirements

- Earn at least 88 credits, including all first-year required courses. The maximum number of credits permitted per semester is 17.
- Full-time students must be in residence for at least six semesters. To be in residence, the full time student must enroll in at least 12 credits, at full tuition, and not work more than 20 hours per week during the semester. Credits earned through the Semester-in-Washington, D.C., Program, the Semester-in-Harrisburg Program, the Semester-in-New York City Program, and the International Justice Internship Program and authorized Dickinson Law semester-long study abroad programs may be used to fulfill this requirement. Credits earned during the summer months may not be used to fulfill this requirement.
- A first-year student who receives an F in Problem Solving II may not enroll in Problem Solving III and must repeat Problem Solving II in the following academic year. A second-year student who receives an F in Problem Solving III loses credit for Problem Solving II, irrespective of his or her grade in that course, and must repeat Problem Solving II and III in the following academic years.
- Complete with a grade of at least C one course designated as a Seminar course.
- Complete with a grade of at least C the course in Professional Responsibility.
- Complete with a grade of at least C, or a grade of Pass in Pass/Fail courses, 12 credits in experiential learning from the upper level curriculum. The student must earn at least six of the required 12 credits by practicing law in an in-house legal clinic, an internship, or a semester-in-practice. The student may earn remaining experiential learning credits by enrolling in courses designated as experiential learning simulation courses.

Contingent J.D. Requirements

- Students who rank in the bottom quarter of their law school class after the second semester of law school and who earned a grade below C in any first year course must take and pass at least six substantive doctrinal bar courses in order to graduate. (A "bar course" is a course listed in LionPATH with the prefix "BAR.")

Each student is responsible for fulfilling the above graduation requirements. Students should track their academic record and progress using their assigned faculty advisor, the academic dean, the office of the Law School registrar, and other administrative personnel.

MORE INFORMATION ABOUT THE REQUIREMENTS FOR THE JURIS DOCTOR DEGREE (https://dickinsonlaw.psu.edu/academics/curriculum/jd-program)

J.D. Required Courses

Our first-year curriculum includes not only a set of courses that establishes the core doctrinal, theoretical, and policy foundations of law, but also a series of unique courses that are designed—from the very first day of law school—to fulfill our mission of producing profession-ready lawyers.

Fall 1L Required Courses

- Civil Procedure (4 credits)
- Criminal Law (3 credits)
- Legal Argument and Factual Persuasion (3 credits)
- Problem Solving I: The Lawyer and Client (2 credits)
- Torts (4 credits)

Spring 1L Required Courses

- Constitutional Law (3 credits)
- Contracts (4 credits)
Master of Laws (LL.M.)

The LL.M. Program at Penn State’s Dickinson Law gives students and lawyers trained outside of the U.S. a high-level understanding of the American legal system. The program’s foundational courses introduce you to our unique analytic methodologies. Students then may choose courses from our “The Lawyer As...” curriculum divided by specialized fields of study, and create personalized tracks based on areas of interest.

Admissions Requirements

Dickinson Law awards both the Juris Doctor (J.D.) degree and Master of Laws (LL.M.) degree. Our LL.M. program gives students and lawyers trained outside of the United States a high-level of understanding of the American legal system.

Application to the LL.M. program at Dickinson Law is highly selective. The LL.M. Admissions Committee reviews completed applications on an ongoing basis. Although the Admissions Committee attempts to notify candidates whose files are incomplete, it is ultimately the applicant’s responsibility to ensure timely completion of his or her application.

Learn more about the admissions requirements for the Master of Laws (LL.M.) (https://dickinsonlaw.psu.edu/admissions-aid/llm-prospective-students/how-to-apply-llm) degree including how to apply and the admissions timeline (https://dickinsonlaw.psu.edu/admissions-aid/llm-prospective-students/admissions-timeline-llm).

Program Requirements

To earn the LL.M. degree, students must earn a minimum of 24 credits, and complete with a passing grade the following courses:

- Legal Argument & Factual Persuasion (3 credits)
- Problem Solving II: The Lawyer as Writer (3 credits)
- Introduction to the United States Legal System (2 credits)

In addition, students must enroll in one course from the following list:

- Civil Procedure
- Constitutional Law I
- Contracts
- Criminal Law
- Criminal Procedure
- Property
- Torts

The academic deans may waive any of the course requirements where students have satisfactorily completed equivalent courses at another United States law program or in a common law country.

MORE INFORMATION ABOUT THE MASTER OF LAWS DEGREE REQUIREMENTS (https://dickinsonlaw.psu.edu/curriculum/llm-program)
In 2018, Penn State began publishing an online Dickinson Law Bulletin. This Bulletin will be archived each academic year. Please visit this page in the future to access archived editions once a new bulletin version is published at the beginning of the summer semester each year.
GENERAL INFORMATION

Gary S. Gildin, Dean, Dickinson Law

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The Law School's commitment to its Practice Greatness mission ensures that students graduate profession-ready as newly minted lawyers proficient in theory as well as doctrine, capable of communicating with and learning from other disciplines, and vested with the full range of practical lawyering skills and extra-legal competencies necessary to most effectively perform as legal professionals at the local, state, national, transnational, and international levels. You'll learn from our accomplished faculty—preeminent scholars who have spent years practicing law—and continue to engage nationally and around the world with the legal profession through pro bono litigation, scholarship and more.

We are extremely proud of the accomplished and diverse group of scholars who chose Dickinson Law to practice greatness. Explore the profile (https://dickinsonlaw.psu.edu/sites/default/files/Get-The-Facts.pdf) of our most recently admitted class to learn more about our first-year law students.

MORE INFORMATION ABOUT DICKINSON LAW (https://dickinsonlaw.psu.edu)

Using this Bulletin

This Bulletin is the comprehensive source of academic information and program requirements for Penn State's Dickinson Law. Learn about our innovative coursework, including our reimagined curriculum, "The Lawyer As..." joint degree and certificate programs, and experiential learning opportunities.

Features

Changes Page
- Real-time amendments to information in the Bulletin will be tracked on the Changes (p. 6) page.
- Currently or previously enrolled students should consult their adviser and degree audit reports for specific requirements.

Course Bubble
When a course link is clicked, a course bubble will appear with important course information including, but not limited to:
- course title, description, and credits;
- prerequisites;
- if blind grading is utilized.

Statement of Nondiscrimination

The University is committed to equal access to programs, facilities, admission, and employment for all persons. It is the policy of the University to maintain an environment free of harassment and free of discrimination against any person because of age, race, color, ancestry, national origin, religion, creed, service in the uniformed services (as defined in state and federal law), veteran status, sex, sexual orientation, marital or family status, pregnancy, pregnancy-related conditions, physical or mental disability, gender, perceived gender, gender identity, genetic information, or political ideas. Discriminatory conduct and harassment, as well as sexual misconduct and relationship violence, violates the dignity of individuals, impedes the realization of the University's educational mission, and will not be tolerated. Direct all inquiries regarding the nondiscrimination policy to the Affirmative Action Office, The Pennsylvania State University, 328 Boucke Building, University Park, PA 16802-5901; Email: kfl2@psu.edu; Tel 814-863-0471.

Penn State encourages qualified persons with disabilities to participate in its programs and activities. If you anticipate needing any type of accommodation or have questions about the physical access provided, please contact the Office for Disability Services, 814-863-1807, in advance of your participation or visit.

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Changes to the Dickinson Law Bulletin

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Academic Calendar

Dickinson Law's academic calendar differs from that of the rest of the University. The Law School's academic calendar can be accessed on the Dickinson Law website (https://dickinsonlaw.psu.edu/academic-curriculum/office-registrar/academic-calendars).

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Virtual Tour: http://dickinsonlaw.psu.edu/virtualtour

Financial Aid

Our team works with students on an individual basis to identify resources and obtain the necessary funds to finance their legal education. We're here to help you:

- apply for need-based grants.
- identify available outside scholarships and resources.
- understand your student loan options.
- calculate an expected loan repayment amount upon graduation.
- create and stick to a personal monthly budget.
- reduce loan debt for living expenses.
- understand the importance of good credit.

MORE INFORMATION ABOUT FINANCIAL AID (https://dickinsonlaw.psu.edu/admissions-aid/financial-aid)

Resources

Academic Advising

Your academic success at Dickinson Law is our top priority. It begins during orientation with your faculty advisor and continues throughout your three years at Dickinson Law with a wide range of resources like peer tutoring, individualized writing assistance, and workshops on effective outlining and exam preparation.

MORE INFORMATION ABOUT ACADEMIC ADVISING (https://dickinsonlaw.psu.edu/academic-curriculum/academic-resources/office-academic-affairs)

Career Services

Dickinson Law's Career Services Office of experienced lawyers offers a personalized approach to legal career advising. Our team will help you develop your professional identity as you transition from law student to legal intern to practicing attorney.

MORE INFORMATION ABOUT CAREER SERVICES (https://dickinsonlaw.psu.edu/career-services)

Diversity and Inclusion

At Dickinson Law, we believe that cultural diversity enriches everyone's educational experience, and we strive to maintain an inclusive community. We are as committed to welcoming people of diverse cultures and lifestyles as we are to preparing them to become the next generation of profession-ready attorneys.

MORE INFORMATION ABOUT DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION (https://dickinsonlaw.psu.edu/experience/diversity)

Alumni Relations

Having a powerful network is vital to succeed in today's evolving legal landscape. Earning a degree at Dickinson Law puts students like you in great company, connecting you with a network of 673,000+ Penn State alumni and nearly 9,000 living Law School alumni worldwide. Dickinson Law's alumni network will help you maximize your potential and ensure your success.

MORE INFORMATION ABOUT ALUMNI RELATIONS (https://dickinsonlaw.psu.edu/alumni)

About Penn State

This is Penn State

Penn State is in the top 1 percent of universities worldwide and has the largest alumni network in the nation. Founded in 1855, the University combines academic rigor with a vibrant campus life as it carries out its mission of teaching, research, and service with pride and focuses on the future throughout Pennsylvania and the world. Granted the highest rating for research universities by the Carnegie Foundation, Penn State teaches students to be leaders with a global perspective.

Our leadership in administration, faculty, and staff make our mission come alive every day. The Board of Trustees reviews and approves the budget of the University and guides general goals, policies, and procedures from a big-picture perspective. The President's office ensures that all aspects of the University are running smoothly and promotes overall principles that students, faculty, and staff abide by for the long term. The University Faculty Senate represents the Penn State faculty with legislative authority on all matters regarding the University's educational interests.

Penn State strives to celebrate diversity in all aspects of its educational and operational activities and the University's strategic plans are designed to result in ongoing improvements that help prepare future generations of leaders.

Board of Trustees

The Board of Trustees of The Pennsylvania State University is the corporate body established by the charter with complete responsibility for the government and welfare of the University and all the interests pertaining thereto including students, faculty, staff, and alumni.

In the exercise of this responsibility, the Board is guided by the following policies:

1. The authority for day-to-day management and control of the University, and the establishment of policies and procedures for the educational program and other operations of the University, shall be delegated to the President, and by him/her, either by delegation or consultation with the faculty and the student body in accordance with a general directive of the Board.
This delegation of authority requires that the Board rely on the judgment and decisions of those who operate under its authority. However, this reliance of the Board must be based upon its continuing awareness of the operations of the University. Therefore, the Board shall receive and consider thorough and forthright reports on the affairs of the University by the President or those designated by the President. It has a continuing obligation to require information or answers on any University matter with which it is concerned.

Finally, upon request, the Board shall advise the President on any University matter of concern to him/her.

2. The Board of Trustees shall carry out certain responsibilities as a Board, without delegation. These responsibilities are:
   a. The selection of the President of the University
   b. The determination of the major goals of the University and the approval of the policies and procedures for implementation of such goals.
   c. The review and approval of the operating and capital budget of the University.
   d. Such other responsibilities as law, governmental directives, or custom require the Board to act upon.

3. The Board of Trustees shall inform the citizens of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania of the University's performance of its role in the education of the youth of Pennsylvania.

4. The Board of Trustees shall assist the President in the development of effective relationships between the University and the various agencies of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the United States of America which provide to the University assistance and direction.

MORE INFORMATION (https://trustees.psu.edu)

President's Council

- Eric J. Barron, President (http://president.psu.edu)
- Nicholas P. Jones, Executive Vice President and Provost (http://provost.psu.edu)
- Janine S. Andrews, Director, Office of the Board of Trustees and Associate Secretary (http://www.psu.edu/trustees)
- Anne (Sandy) Barbour, Director of Intercollegiate Athletics (http://www.gopsusports.com)
- Mary G. Beahm, Interim Vice President for Human Resources (http://ohr.psu.edu)
- Kathleen Bieschke, Vice Provost for Faculty Affairs (http://www.vpfa.psu.edu)
- O. Richard Bundy III, Vice President for Development and Alumni Relations (http://giveto.psu.edu)
- Stephen S. Dunham, Vice President and General Counsel (http://ogc.psu.edu)
- David J. Gray, Senior Vice President for Finance and Business/Treasurer (http://www.fandb.psu.edu)
- Madlyn L. Hanes, Vice President for Commonwealth Campuses and Executive Chancellor (http://www.campuses.psu.edu)
- A. Craig Hillemeier, Chief Executive Officer, Penn State Milton S. Hershey Medical Center; Senior Vice President for Health Affairs, Penn State University; and Dean, Penn State College of Medicine (http://www.pennstatelhc.org)
- Tracey D. Huston, Interim Vice President for Outreach (http://outreach.psu.edu)
- Michael J. Kubit, Vice President for Information Technology/Chief Information Officer (http://pennstateit.psu.edu)
- Lawrence H. Lokman, Vice President for Strategic Communications (https://strategiccommunications.psu.edu)
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- Neil A. Sharkey, Vice President for Research (http://www.research.psu.edu)
- Damon Sims, Vice President for Student Affairs (http://studentaffairs.psu.edu)
- Marcus A. Whitehurst, Vice Provost for Educational Equity (http://equity.psu.edu)

MORE INFORMATION (http://www.psu.edu/this-is-penn-state/leadership-and-mission/our-administration)

Mission

The Pennsylvania State University is a multi-campus, land-grant, public research University that educates students from around the world, and supports individuals and communities through integrated programs of teaching, research, and service.

Our instructional mission includes undergraduate, graduate, professional, continuing, and extension education, offered through both resident instruction and distance learning. Our educational programs are enriched by the talent, knowledge, diversity, creativity, and teaching and research acumen of our faculty, students, and staff.

Our discovery-oriented, collaborative, and interdisciplinary research and scholarship promote human and economic development, global understanding, and advancement in professional practice through the expansion of knowledge and its applications in the natural and applied sciences, social and behavioral sciences, engineering, technology, arts and humanities, and myriad professions.

As Pennsylvania’s land-grant university, we provide unparalleled access to education and public service to support the citizens of the Commonwealth and beyond. We engage in collaborative activities with private sector, educational, and governmental partners worldwide to generate, integrate, apply, and disseminate knowledge that is valuable to society.

History

As Pennsylvania’s only land-grant university, Penn State has a broad mission of teaching, research, and public service. But that mission was not so grandly conceived in 1855, when the Commonwealth chartered it as one of the nation’s first colleges of agricultural science, with a goal to apply scientific principles to farming.

Centre County became the site of the new college in response to a gift of 200 acres from gentleman farmer and ironmaster James Irvin of Bellefonte. Founding President Evan Pugh drew on the scientific education he had received in Europe to plan a curriculum that combined theoretical studies with practical applications.

Pugh and similar visionaries in other states championed Congressional passage of the Morrill Land-Grant Act in 1862. The act enabled states
to sell federal land, invest the proceeds, and use the income to support colleges "where the leading object shall be, without excluding scientific and classical studies ... to teach agriculture and the mechanic arts [engineering] ... in order to promote the liberal and practical education of the industrial classes in all the pursuits and professions of life." The state legislature designated Penn State the land-grant institution of Pennsylvania.

But not until the 1880s, under the leadership of President George W. Atherton, did the college expand its curriculum to match the Land-Grant Act's broad mandate. From that time onward, curricula in engineering, the sciences, the liberal arts, and more began to flourish. In the early 1900s, Penn State introduced cooperative extension and additional outreach programming, extending the reach of its academic mission.

An even greater segment of the Commonwealth's population had opportunities for engagement in the 1930s when Penn State established a series of undergraduate branch campuses, primarily to meet the needs of students who were location-bound during the Great Depression. Those campuses were predecessors of today's system of 24 Penn State campuses located throughout the Commonwealth.

Penn State began offering systematic advanced-degree work in 1922 with the formation of the Graduate School. Graduate education and research evolved hand in hand. By 1950 the University had won international distinction for investigations in dairy science, building insulation, diesel engines, and acoustics, and other specialized fields.

A college of medicine and teaching hospital were established in 1967 with a $50 million gift from the charitable trusts of renowned chocolate magnate Milton S. Hershey. In 1989 the Pennsylvania College of Technology in Williamsport became an affiliate of the University. Penn State and the Dickinson School of Law merged. In 2015, two Penn State law schools, Dickinson Law (in Carlisle, Pennsylvania) and Penn State Law (on University Park campus) were established.

MORE INFORMATION (http://www.psu.edu/this-is-penn-state/our-history)

**Accreditation Notice**

The Pennsylvania State University is accredited by the Middle States Commission on Higher Education, 3624 Market Street, Philadelphia, PA 19104 (267-284-5000). The Middle States Commission on Higher Education (MSCHE) is a regional accrediting agency recognized by the U.S. Secretary of Education and the Council for Higher Education Accreditation.

The Pennsylvania State University was first accredited in 1921 and accreditation was reaffirmed in June 2015.

The next Annual Institutional Update will be submitted in spring 2018. The Midpoint Peer Review will occur in 2020 and the next Self-Study evaluation is scheduled for 2023-2024.

According to MSCHE's policy statement, Accreditation Review Cycle and Monitoring, "The Commission’s eight-year cycle of review of accredited institutions begins with an in-depth institutional self-study that is reviewed by peer evaluators during an on-site evaluation visit. The self-study and on-site review are used to assess the institution's compliance with Commission standards and requirements of affiliation, verify compliance with accreditation-relevant federal regulations, and identify areas needing improvement. The review process results in an accreditation decision in accordance with the Commission Policy Accreditation actions. Institutions submit annually an update of institutional data and other information requested by the Commission. In the fourth year following the self-study visit, the Commission conducts an off-site mid-point peer review based on the cumulative information provided by the institution. Institutions are provided a report on the institution's performance with respect to student achievement and financial sustainability."


MORE INFORMATION (http://middlestates.psu.edu)

**Research**

The Office of the Vice President for Research is responsible for facilitating the $863-million-per-year research enterprise at Penn State by working with a broad range of units across the University.

The mission of the Office of the Vice President for Research is to support a rigorous program of faculty and student research and creative accomplishment by enhancing the environment for scholarly and artistic endeavors, encouraging the highest standards of quality, and fostering ethical conduct in research.

The office is responsible for:

- the effective administration of sponsored programs which provide the financial support for a substantial share of the research activity at the University;
- serving as the University's advocate and spokesperson on research issues, and as a representative in activities that may produce major new programs and facilities for research;
- facilitating strong programs for interdisciplinary research.

MORE INFORMATION (https://www.research.psu.edu)

**University Structure**

**Undergraduate Campuses**

Penn State has more than twenty campuses across Pennsylvania that serve undergraduate students and communities through teaching, research, and service. Through its network of undergraduate campuses and World Campus, Penn State provides students the opportunity to begin and complete a Penn State degree at one campus, transition to complete a degree at another campus or complete a program completely online—this is the hallmark of Penn State's unique one University concept.

The University Park campus, the administrative and research hub of the University is the largest of Penn State's campuses. Across Pennsylvania, Penn State campuses play a critical role in the land-grant mission of the University, by providing access and opportunity—a commitment that remains at the core of each campus's mission. In addition to providing the first two years of more than 160 Penn State majors, campuses confer some 5,000 Penn State degrees annually to students who complete their academic programs at a Penn State campus.

MORE INFORMATION (http://bulletins.psu.edu/undergraduate/campuses)
Graduate and Professional Campuses

Penn State's wide range of graduate programs includes traditional residential Ph.D. research programs through part-time degree programs aimed at working professionals. Penn State offers graduate programs at six campuses: Penn State Erie, Penn State Great Valley, Penn State Harrisburg, Penn State College of Medicine, Penn State University Park, and Penn State World Campus. Penn State College of Medicine in Hershey, PA offers a complete medical education program leading to the Doctor of Medicine (M.D.) degree. Penn State has two separately accredited Law Schools: Dickinson Law in Carlisle, PA and Penn State University Park.

MORE INFORMATION (http://bulletins.psu.edu/graduate/campuses)

Colleges

Penn State's undergraduate majors are divided among academic colleges, which are the units from which students receive their degrees. Examples of colleges are Arts and Architecture, Eberly College of Science, and Education, among others. Academic colleges offer graduate programs as well; however, graduate degrees are awarded by the Graduate School. In addition to the 12 academic colleges at the University Park campus, Penn State has six academic colleges across Pennsylvania that allow students to finish their undergraduate degrees at a campus other than University Park.

With the exception of a few specialized programs, undergraduate students interested in majors offered by the above academic colleges can start their education at any Penn State campus and then transition to University Park following their second year to complete their degree as part of the 2+2 Plan.

In addition, the Pennsylvania College of Technology in Williamsport offers undergraduate enrollments in selected degree programs.

For a list of academic colleges, enrollment units, and special academic programs visit the Undergraduate Bulletin Colleges (http://bulletins.psu.edu/undergraduate/colleges) page.

Academic Colleges at Campuses

Six Penn State colleges, located throughout the state, offer undergraduate majors that are typically completed at campuses other than University Park. These colleges are:

- Abington College, at the Penn State Abington campus
- Altoona College, at the Penn State Altoona campus
- Behrend College, at the Penn State Erie campus
- Berks College, at the Penn State Berks campus
- Capital College, at the Penn State Harrisburg campus
- University College, is comprised of the following 14 campuses:
  - Penn State Beaver
  - Penn State Brandywine
  - Penn State DuBois
  - Penn State Fayette, The Eberly Campus
  - Penn State Greater Allegheny
  - 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 Scranton
  - Penn State York

Students interested in undergraduate majors offered by these colleges can typically start at one campus and finish at another through the 2+2 plan, or they can choose to stay at one campus for all four years if their campus of choice offers the major they want. To see the specific undergraduate majors available at each campus, search majors by campus in the Undergraduate Bulletin (http://bulletins.psu.edu/undergraduate).

Student Services and Programs

Penn State offers thousands of resources to support students, faculty, staff, and alumni both locally and around the world. This partial list of centers, offices, and programs was developed based on past inquiries from Bulletins users.

To discover additional services explore Penn State’s home page (http://www.psu.edu), the Office of Student Affairs (https://studentaffairs.psu.edu), and the Office of Undergraduate Education (http://undergrad.psu.edu), and The Graduate School (http://gradschool.psu.edu).

- Affirmative Action Office (http://www.psu.edu/dept/aaoffice)
- Adult Learner Programs & Services (http://studentaffairs.psu.edu/adults)
- Campus Recreation (http://studentaffairs.psu.edu/campusrec)
- Career Services (http://studentaffairs.psu.edu/career)
- Child Care Resources (https://hr.psu.edu/employee-and-family-resources/your-family/child-care-resources)
- Counseling and Psychological Services (http://studentaffairs.psu.edu/counseling)
- Disability Services Resources (http://equity.psu.edu/student-disability-resources)
- Spiritual and Ethical Development, Center for (http://studentaffairs.psu.edu/spiritual)
- Financial Literacy and Wellness Center (https://financialliteracy.psu.edu)
- Fraternity and Sorority Life (https://studentaffairs.psu.edu/involvement-student-life/greek-life-penn-state)
- Global Programs, Office of (https://global.psu.edu)
- Graduate Educational Equity Programs, Office of (http://gradschool.psu.edu/diversity)
- Graduate Writing Center (http://gwc.psu.edu)
- Health Services (http://studentaffairs.psu.edu/health)
- Honor and Professional Societies
  - Phi Kappa Phi (http://pkp.psu.edu)
  - Phi Eta Sigma (http://phietasigmapsu.weebly.com)
  - Golden Key (http://pennstate.goldenkey.org)
- Penn State Information Technology (https://pennstateit.psu.edu)
- LGBTQA Student Resource Center (http://studentaffairs.psu.edu/lgbtqa)
- Multicultural Resource Center (http://equity.psu.edu/mrc)
- Off-Campus Student Support (https://studentaffairs.psu.edu/offcampus)
- Outreach and Online Education (https://www.outreach.psu.edu)
- Paul Robeson Cultural Center (http://studentaffairs.psu.edu/cultural)
- Penn State Learning (https://pennstatelearning.psu.edu)
- Residence Life (https://studentaffairs.psu.edu/reslife)
- Student Affairs, Office of (https://studentaffairs.psu.edu)
- Student Care & Advocacy (https://studentaffairs.psu.edu/studentcare)
- Student Conduct, Office of (https://studentaffairs.psu.edu/conduct)
- Student Organization Directory (https://studentaffairs.psu.edu/hub/studentorgs/orgdirectory)
- Summer Session (https://summersession.psu.edu)
- Undergraduate Research (https://undergradresearch.psu.edu)
- University Fellowships Office (https://ufo.psu.edu)
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