

# PENN STATE ABINGTON, THE ABINGTON COLLEGE

## About the College

Damian J. Fernandez, Chancellor, Penn State Abington

Penn State Abington is a 21st century metropolitan college committed to student success. As part of Penn State, a global research university, our diverse students embody the future of public higher education today. Our students find accessible, affordable, and high impact degrees in the liberal arts and sciences, professional fields, and interdisciplinary programs on a campus at the edge of Philadelphia. They may complete 19 undergraduate majors or start 160-plus majors at Abington and complete them at another campus, including University Park. Opportunities for students include NCAA Division III athletics, study abroad, and professional career counseling services. A new residence hall opened in 2017. Faculty and staff are educators—teachers, researchers, advisers, mentors—who facilitate opportunities for growth by being culturally responsive to our students' needs. Our students discover pathways to graduation and forge their own success as productive citizens of a global society.

MORE INFORMATION ABOUT THE COLLEGE (<http://abington.psu.edu/this-is-penn-state>)

## Mission and Goals

We are a welcoming community that prioritizes transformative educational experiences, advances knowledge, and contributes to the common good by serving as a place where individuals meet, connect, learn, and address the challenges of our times. We serve the emerging America and the world. We aspire to be a campus where students, regardless of their starting point, discover pathways to graduation and achievement in a life-long quest for learning, service, and fulfillment of personal and collective potential.

MORE INFORMATION ABOUT THE MISSION AND GOALS OF PENN STATE ABINGTON (<http://abington.psu.edu/mission-vision-identity>)

## Baccalaureate Degrees

- Accounting, B.S. (Abington)
- American Studies, B.A. (Abington)
- Art, B.A. (Abington)
- Biology, B.S. (Abington)
- Business, B.S. (Abington)
- Computer Science, B.S. (Abington)
- Corporate Communication, B.A. (Abington)
- Criminal Justice, B.A. (Abington)
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- English, B.A. (Abington)
- Finance, B.S. (Abington)
- History, B.A. (Abington)
- Information Sciences and Technology, B.S. (Abington)
- Integrative Arts, B.A. (Abington)
- Letters, Arts, and Sciences, B.A. (Abington)
- Psychological and Social Sciences, B.A.
- Psychological and Social Sciences, B.S.

- Rehabilitation and Human Services, B.S. (Abington)
- Science, B.S. (Abington)

## Associate Degrees

- Business Administration, A.S. (Abington)
- Letters, Arts, and Sciences, A.A. (Abington)

## Minors

- Public History, Minor

## Certificates

- .NET Programming, Certificate
- Health Science Professions I, Certificate
- Pre-Medical/Healthcare, Certificate
- Project Management, Certificate
- Technical and Business Writing, Certificate

## College Procedures

### Academic Warning

A student who fails to earn a 2.00 cumulative grade-point average will be placed on academic warning. A student placed on academic warning will have a hold placed on registration and will be required to meet with an academic adviser in order for this registration hold to be removed. To remove academic warning, the cumulative grade-point average must be 2.00 or higher.

READ SENATE POLICY 54-20: ACADEMIC WARNING (<http://senate.psu.edu/policies-and-rules-for-undergraduate-students/54-00-academic-progress/#54-20>)

### Academic Suspension

A student in academic warning who fails to maintain a semester grade-point average of 2.00 or higher will be academically suspended. A student who has been academically suspended may not schedule courses at the University for two consecutive semesters. (Note: Summer session is equal to one semester.)

READ SENATE POLICY 54-40: ACADEMIC SUSPENSION (<http://senate.psu.edu/policies-and-rules-for-undergraduate-students/54-00-academic-progress/#54-40>)

## Resources

### Academic Advising

The advising center is staffed by professional advisers who work primarily with students enrolled in the Division of Undergraduate Studies and are exploring major options. They counsel provisional, transfer and non-degree students, and students who plan to transition to other University programs and campuses. Our advisers work with many of our incoming first-year students as part of our New Student Orientation program.

MORE INFORMATION ABOUT ACADEMIC ADVISING (<http://abington.psu.edu/advising-center>)

## Admissions

How will your story begin? The Penn State Abington Admissions staff is here to help you explore the Penn State degree that matches your life, expectations, and aspirations.

MORE INFORMATION ABOUT ADMISSIONS (<http://abington.psu.edu/admissions>)

## Academics

You have the option of starting and completing nineteen undergraduate majors at Abington or starting 160+ majors here and finishing at University Park campus.

MORE INFORMATION ABOUT ACADEMICS (<http://abington.psu.edu/academics>)

## Office of Global Education & Engagement

The mission of the Office of Global Education & Engagement is to support the development of cross-cultural awareness, an appreciation of other cultures, the development of intercultural competencies and responsible global citizenry by providing diverse global opportunities for the Penn State Abington community.

MORE INFORMATION ABOUT THE OFFICE OF GLOBAL EDUCATION & ENGAGEMENT (<http://abington.psu.edu/global-programs>)

## Center for Career & Professional Development

The Penn State Abington Center for Career & Professional Development supports and serves students in all areas related to career development and preparation including career counseling and coaching, internships, resume creation, interview training, and job search strategies.

MORE INFORMATION ABOUT THE CENTER FOR CAREER & PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT (<http://abington.psu.edu/career-professional-development>)

## Tuition and Financial Aid

Nearly 80 percent of our students receive some sort of financial assistance. This assistance, determined primarily by need, is comprised of federal and state grants, student loans, academic scholarships, and work study.

MORE INFORMATION ABOUT TUITION AND FINANCIAL AID (<http://abington.psu.edu/tuition-financial-aid>)

## Student Engagement & Leadership

You're energetic and curious. You want to connect with people who share your interests and who will expand your world. Student Leadership and Engagement at Penn State Abington makes it all possible. Every day you can choose from student organizations, community service projects, cultural immersion adventures, performances and festivals, athletics, and more to help you:

- Find your niche
- Become a creative and confident leader
- Form lasting friendships
- Prepare you to become an ethical and active citizen and a savvy professional
- Seek support in a diverse, safe, and inclusive environment.

It's your choice to be involved. It's your life at Penn State Abington.

## Office of Diversity, Equity, & Inclusion

Our mission is to create an inclusive campus community where everyone feels welcomed. We welcome students to individual and group experiences that help them form bonds of understanding and leadership. We strive to support students in their explorations of self-discovery, personal growth, assertiveness, awareness, advocacy, empowerment, social justice, and inclusivity. We provide a network of services and programs that foster discussions related to the creation of a multi-ethnic, culturally conscious university.

MORE INFORMATION ABOUT THE OFFICE OF DIVERSITY, EQUITY, & INCLUSION (<http://abington.psu.edu/diversity-equity-inclusion>)

## Counseling & Psychological Services

Penn State Abington offers free, confidential counseling and psychological services to students in distress.

- Crisis Intervention
- Professional Counseling Services
- Group Counseling (requests for specific groups welcomed)
- Referrals to outside agencies for psychological testing and/or psychiatric evaluations
- Non-Professional Support with the Personal Support Team
- Wellness Programs on mental health issues and addictions

MORE INFORMATION ABOUT COUNSELING & PSYCHOLOGICAL SERVICES (<http://abington.psu.edu/counseling-psychological-services>)

## NCAA Division III Athletics

Penn State Abington fields 13 NCAA Division III athletics teams for men and women including: basketball, baseball, cross country, golf, lacrosse, soccer, softball, tennis, and volleyball.

MORE INFORMATION ABOUT NCAA DIVISION III ATHLETICS (<http://abingtonsports.com>)

## Honors Programs

### Schreyer Honors College

The Schreyer Honors College, regarded as one of the nation's top programs of its kind, promotes achieving academic excellence with integrity, building a global perspective, and creating opportunities for leadership and civic engagement. Schreyer Scholars, including Gateway Scholars admitted after their first or second year of enrollment, are a diverse and motivated group of approximately 2,000 students at University Park and 20 Commonwealth campuses. The College strives to educate students who will have an important and ethical influence in the world, to improve educational practice, and to continue to be recognized as a leading force in honors education nationwide.

MORE INFORMATION ABOUT THE SCHREYER HONORS COLLEGE (<http://www.shc.psu.edu>)

### Other Honors Programs

The Penn State Abington Honors Program fosters a community of outstanding students and committed faculty and staff. Entering first-year students are invited to participate in the program based on significant academic achievement and potential. Faculty and staff work to provide a rich and challenging academic experience with perks and privileges that reflect students' honors status. To remain in good standing in the program students must participate in honors courses, maintain strong grade point averages, and participate in research, international study

or leadership activities The Schreyer Honors College is a university-wide honors program enrolling students of exceptional ability. The core experiences of Schreyer scholars at Abington include honors coursework and an undergraduate thesis, a major piece of original research or creative activity. Schreyer also encourages and supports international study.

MORE INFORMATION ABOUT OTHER HONORS PROGRAMS AT PENN STATE ABINGTON (<http://abington.psu.edu/honors-program>)

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