About the College

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Penn State Behrend students enjoy access to a global research university within the supportive environment of a welcoming, student-centered college. We're a top public college in Pennsylvania and ranked among the top 10 percent for best value and highest return on tuition investment (PayScale, SmartAsset).

We prepare our students through highly engaged instruction, research, and out-of-class opportunities, combined with a distinctive Open Lab model of learning and discovery that offers real-world experience. We offer nearly fifty degrees in business, engineering, the humanities, the sciences, and nursing.

More than 3,300 students are enrolled in residential instruction, with an additional 950 in Behrend programs offered on World Campus. Small class sizes and low faculty-to-student ratio give Behrend students opportunities to form mentoring relationships with professors.

About 75 percent of Behrend students complete their Penn State degree here. Others study for the first two years of the 275+ degrees offered across the University.

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Mission and Goals

Penn State Behrend is an Open Lab, where students partner with external stakeholders to solve real-world challenges. Through an emphasis on student success, curricular excellence, and relevant research, we prepare thinkers, leaders, and innovators to make a positive impact on their professions, their communities, and the greater world.

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