UNIVERSITY COLLEGE

About the College
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University College consists of 14 campuses distributed throughout the Commonwealth. As a land-grant institution, Penn State is committed to providing the citizens of Pennsylvania convenient access to a high-quality education at a campus near them. Many of the more than 10,000 students attending classes at a University College campus will choose to remain at their campus of admission for all four years to complete one of the 18 baccalaureate programs the College offers in a wide variety of academic disciplines, including business, engineering, nursing, the social sciences, the natural sciences, and the humanities. In addition, several campuses offer a variety of professionally-accredited associate programs in the health sciences. Other students starting at a University Campus transition to a second campus after their first two years to complete their selected program of study.

Mission and Goals
University College realizes the University’s commitment to educating a diverse and ever-changing demographic of learners, a responsibility at the forefront of the campus mission. It provides a high-quality and innovative Penn State undergraduate education to prepare students for a life of professional success, personal fulfillment, and social engagement. Campuses have an impact that extends beyond their educational mission. They contribute to the educational attainment and local economies of the communities they serve.