



PennState
Berks

Penn State **BERKS**



A photograph of a group of graduates in black and red regalia, including caps and gowns, clapping at a ceremony. The image is overlaid with a semi-transparent blue geometric pattern. The graduates are seen from the side, looking towards the right. Some are wearing red stoles over their black gowns. The background is slightly blurred, showing an outdoor setting with a building and trees.

HOW WILL YOUR STORY BEGIN?

WORLD OF POSSIBILITIES

A Penn State degree opens the door to a world of possibilities. It's up to you to choose the program that best suits your own unique dreams, goals, and aspirations.



At Penn State **BERKS**

academic excellence is just the beginning of the story.

College is a time for fresh starts, new friendships, and memories that will last a lifetime. You'll learn a lot about yourself. You might discover that your passion is traveling to other countries to study wildlife conservation, or that you want to study pollinators, such as honey bees, to benefit agriculture. Have you ever thought about developing an app that would be useful to other students? Or that you'd fall in love with studying micro-organisms to gain an understanding of infectious disease? Penn State Berks students have done all this and more.

This is your story, and where you write it is important. Penn State Berks is an excellent place to chart a course for the rest of your life. It's a place where almost anything is possible.



PENN STATE BERKS
WAS FOUNDED IN
1958

2,578
FULL- AND PART-TIME
STUDENTS



“Between the opportunities to conduct research and complete internships, the Penn State Berks Kinesiology Program makes it easy to apply classroom learning to the real world.”

David Polisano

KINESIOLOGY MAJOR
GUARD, MEN'S BASKETBALL TEAM



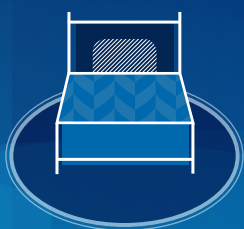
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218
FULL-TIME
AND ADJUNCT
FACULTY

Student veterans host sixth annual “ROY G. BIV” Memorial Run

The Penn State Berks Student Veterans Coalition teamed with the Student Veterans of America–Penn State Berks Chapter to host its sixth annual “ROY G. BIV” Memorial Run. “ROY G. BIV” stands for the colors of starch thrown at the runners, and the term “memorial” is used to recognize fallen soldiers.

The mission of these organizations is to help student veterans achieve their educational goals while providing an environment where they can support and socialize with one another.



192
SINGLE
(ONE-PERSON)
ROOMS

STUDENT-TO-FACULTY
RATIO
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Academics

As a student at Penn State Berks, you'll have access to all the advantages the University has to offer, including the opportunity to complete the first two years of more than 275 baccalaureate degree programs offered by Penn State. We call it our 2+2 Plan, and it gives you the freedom to learn at the campus that best suits your needs. You can begin your academic career at Berks and finish at another Penn State campus, or enroll in one of the 21 baccalaureate degrees offered at Berks and remain for all four years.

Four-Year Degree Programs

Each year, more and more students are choosing to complete their degrees at Penn State Berks.

With **21 baccalaureate degrees** in a broad range of disciplines, and more being added each year, the college offers many options and opportunities. Smaller classes provide individual attention and one-on-one interaction with faculty members. In addition, all degree programs include an internship component, allowing you to gain real-world experience while earning college credits.

Internships open door to careers

Most baccalaureate degree programs include an internship component. Students complete **more than 400 internships each semester**, and most internships lead to jobs. Internships have varied from working in such high profile organizations as the Office of the Chief Information Officer at the White House, to Google's California headquarters, to the Smithsonian Institute in Washington, D.C. Students also complete internships at local businesses and organizations.

For more information, contact Career Services, 610-396-6019.

BACCALAUREATE DEGREE PROGRAMS

Accounting	Global Studies
Applied Psychology	Hospitality Management
Biochemistry and Molecular Biology	Information Sciences and Technology
Biology	Kinesiology
Business	Mechanical Engineering
Communication Arts and Sciences	Organizational Leadership <i>(for adult learners only)</i>
Criminal Justice	Rehabilitation and Human Services
Cybersecurity Analytics and Operations	Science
Electro-Mechanical Engineering Technology	Security and Risk Analysis
Elementary and Early Childhood Education	Theatre
	Writing and Digital Media

ASSOCIATE DEGREE PROGRAMS

Business Administration
Information Sciences and Technology
Letters, Arts, and Sciences
Occupational Therapy



109
INTERNATIONAL
STUDENTS
IN 2017



416
BERKS
GRADUATES
IN 2017

Education abroad provides international perspective

Have you always dreamed of traveling? You can realize that dream while working toward a degree at Penn State Berks. With more than 300 education abroad programs for students enrolled in any major, there are many opportunities. Programs can be completed in a summer, a semester, or an academic year. Some travel is part of a course curriculum and lasts only one or two weeks. The varied structure of these programs makes international study appealing to a wide range of students.

Community service is part of the experience

Students have a wide variety of opportunities, as unique as their individual interests. Some students enjoy working with children, and they volunteer to tutor inner-city youth through the Penn State Educational Partnership or to revitalize a section of the Schuylkill River Trail with children from Olivet Boys & Girls Club. Others prefer to help raise funds for children with cancer through THON, the largest student-run philanthropy in the world. Still others enjoy cooking and serving lunch at Opportunity House, the Reading Homeless Shelter. Students have volunteered their time during spring break to travel to other countries and work on initiatives addressing major social and natural disaster issues. No matter what your interest or skill, there are plenty of opportunities to get involved in the greater community.

Berks students completed an internship in India with an organization dedicated to empowering marginalized communities.



Criminal Justice major Mallory Barr '18 completed an internship at The Retreat at Lancaster, a drug and alcohol rehabilitation facility that incorporates equine therapy into treatment.

In 2018, after a year of events and activities, Penn State Berks led campus fundraising for THON.





“I completed two National Science Foundation Research Experiences for Undergraduates working on stem cell cancer research and producing biofuels through bacteria. I wouldn’t be who I am today without all the resources and opportunities Berks had to offer.”

KAILAH ORTIZ

BIOCHEMISTRY AND MOLECULAR BIOLOGY MAJOR
LABORATORY TECHNICIAN,
EUROFINS LANCASTER LABORATORIES

Research

Berks students have the chance to **conduct research with faculty members**—an opportunity usually reserved for students at the graduate level. Students have worked on a wide variety of studies from studying proteins to gain a better understanding of disease, to developing and using apps to help children with autism to read and interpret facial expressions, to using additive manufacturing to design and optimize customized orthotics. These are just a few of the many student-faculty research collaborations at Penn State Berks.

Mentoring Opportunities

Penn State Berks offers students the opportunity to strengthen their leadership skills, gain valuable experience, and help other students through roles such as Peer Health Educators and a variety of mentoring positions that serve first-year, international, at-risk, and multicultural students.



Student Life

WITH MORE THAN FIFTY CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS, PENN STATE BERKS HAS SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE. Learn to lead in the Student Government Association. Develop the next big idea into a product or service in the Entrepreneurship Club. Whatever your interests, you're likely to find a club or activity to join.

Campus Living

The Housing Office at Penn State Berks serves more than 800 students. The fully furnished suites in our modern residence halls include amenities such as refrigerator/freezers, microwaves, wireless internet, computer ports, and much more.

For more information about campus housing, contact Housing, 610-396-6353.

Athletics

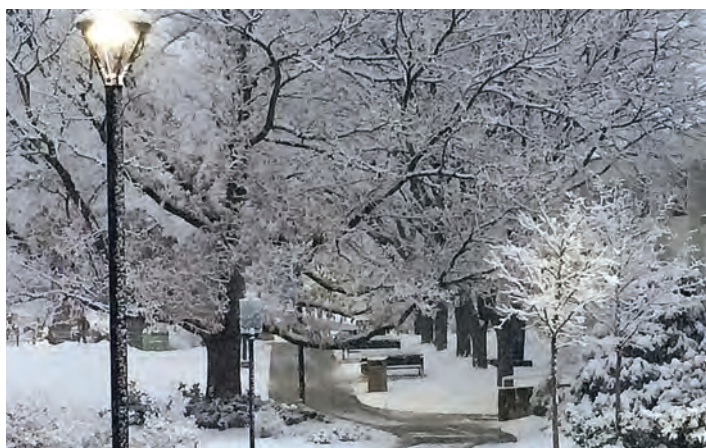
Penn State Berks is a member of the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) Division III. Student-athletes can compete in 12 varsity sports, including baseball, men's and women's basketball, men's and women's cross country, men's golf, men's and women's soccer, softball, men's and women's tennis, and women's volleyball. The college also offers club and intramural sports including bowling, ice hockey, rugby, and many others.

All varsity sports compete in the North Eastern Athletic Conference (NEAC) and many teams, including baseball, women's soccer, and softball, have won NEAC championships and advanced to their respective NCAA tournaments.

In the spring of 2018, Penn State Berks athletics pulled off an amazing feat that has never been seen before by the program itself or by any institution in the North Eastern Athletic Conference. **All five of the teams with championships in the spring won the conference title and four of those teams went on to compete in the NCAA Tournament.**

Maybe you're more of a spectator: How about season tickets to Penn State football or basketball games? A short trip to University Park allows you to enjoy some of the best Big Ten Conference sporting events in the country.







“The combination of electrical and mechanical engineering makes the degree program very flexible. The courses helped me learn how to figure things out and find solutions on my own during my internship.”

MICHAEL ABOULHOUDA

ELECTRO-MECHANICAL ENGINEERING
TECHNOLOGY MAJOR
DESIGN ENGINEER INTERN, CRAYOLA

NOVEMBER 30
Application priority
filing date for
students not
selecting
Early Action.

**2019 APPLICATION
TIMELINE—KEY DATES
IN THE APPLICATION
PROCESS**

AUG

AUGUST 1

Applications for undergraduate admission become available.

SEPT

OCT

OCTOBER 1

Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) becomes available.

NOV

NOVEMBER 1
Penn State's **NEW**
Early Action and
Schreyer Honors
College priority
filing deadline.

Cohen-Hammel
Fellows application
deadline.

Admission

When should I apply?

Penn State reviews applications throughout the year, but we strongly encourage you to submit your application as soon as possible in the fall. Students can expect a decision within four to six weeks.

The Penn State application is available beginning August 1 at admissions.psu.edu.

Students can also apply via the Common Application or Coalition for Access, Affordability, and Success. Visit admissions.psu.edu/apply for more information. Students who visit Berks can get the application fee waived prior to submitting the Penn State application.

Transfer Students

Interested in transferring to Penn State to complete your degree? It's probably easier than you think! Get started at berks.psu.edu/transfer-students.

For assistance in transferring from another institution into one of our programs, please contact Admissions, 610-396-6060.

Scholarships and Financial Aid

About 82 percent of Penn State students receive some form of financial aid. Our financial aid staff can help you identify and apply for a variety of grants, loans, work study, campus employment programs, and scholarships to make your college education more affordable. Assistance for military veterans and adult learners is also available.

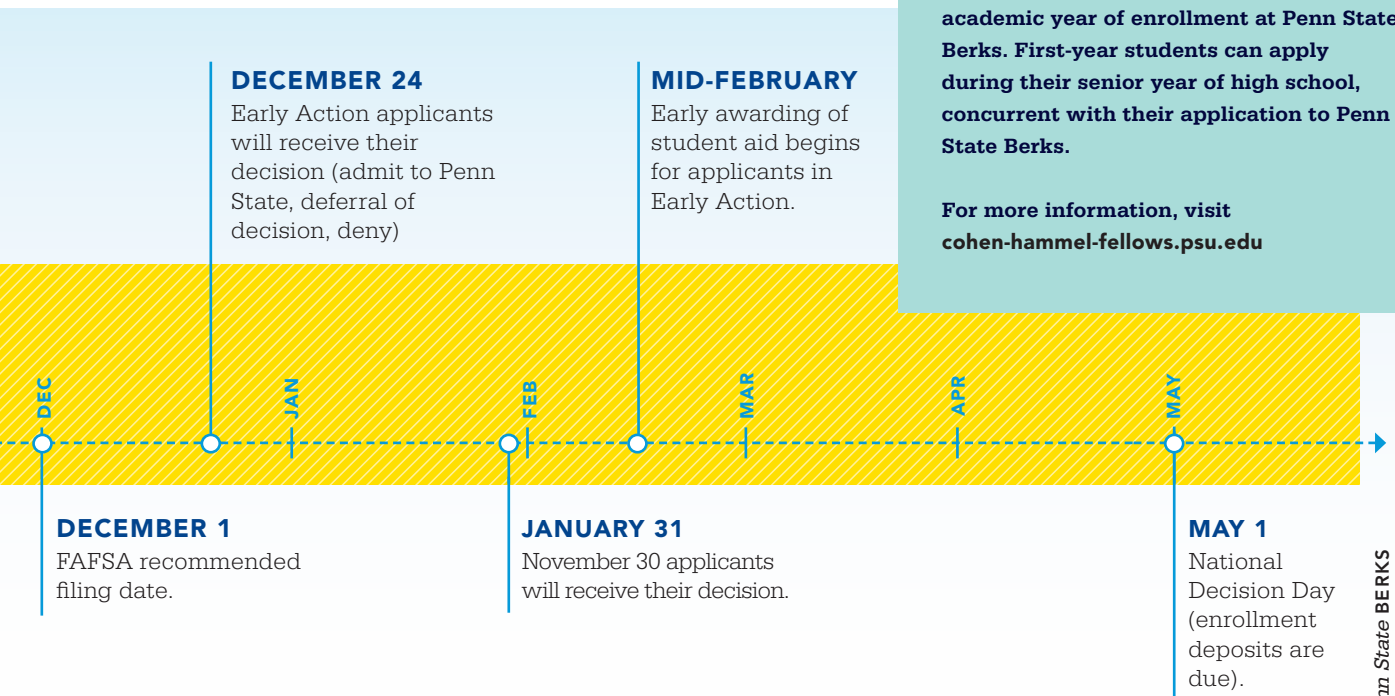
Students are automatically considered for scholarships, both merit-based and need-based, once they apply and are accepted to Berks. There is no separate scholarship application to complete. These scholarships are in addition to any other forms of need-based financial aid for which a student may be eligible.

To apply for financial aid, simply complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) online at fafsa.gov. We recommend that you file by December 1.

For more information on student financial aid, contact Financial Aid, 610-396-6070.

Penn State Berks is excited to announce the Cohen-Hammel Fellows Program, a new scholarship for outstanding students. Each Cohen-Hammel Fellow will receive a scholarship of \$7,000 for each academic year of enrollment at Penn State Berks. First-year students can apply during their senior year of high school, concurrent with their application to Penn State Berks.

For more information, visit cohen-hammel-fellows.psu.edu



A COMMUNITY
OF MORE THAN

76

THOUSAND
UNDERGRADUATE
STUDENTS*

20

UNIQUE CAMPUSES
ACROSS THE STATE AND AROUND
THE WORLD THROUGH THE
WORLD CAMPUS, OUR ONLINE
LEARNING LOCATION

OVER

275

MAJORS

*Includes students enrolled in associate
and bachelor degree programs or
in non-degree status at Penn State's
20 undergraduate campuses and the
World Campus



28K

STUDENTS

ENROLLED ACROSS
PENN STATE'S
COMMONWEALTH
CAMPUSES



SAVE AT LEAST

\$6,400

OVER 2 YEARS BY ATTENDING
A COMMONWEALTH CAMPUS



\$30,000,000+

dedicated to *Invent Penn State*, a
Commonwealth-wide initiative for
economic development, job creation,
and student success

4,000

STUDENTS ANNUALLY MOVE FROM
A COMMONWEALTH CAMPUS TO
UNIVERSITY PARK THROUGH
THE 2+2 PLAN



WORLD-WIDE

700,000+

ALUMNI NETWORK

Ranked #1 by *College* magazine



80%+

OF COMMONWEALTH
CAMPUS STUDENTS
RECEIVE
FINANCIAL AID
& WORK PART TIME

TOP 5 RANKED CAREER SERVICES OFFICE

PENN STATE BERKS

BY THE NUMBERS

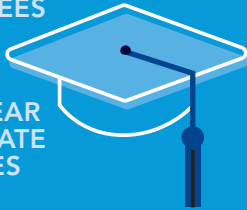
ACADEMICS

21

FOUR-YEAR
BACCALAUREATE
DEGREES

4

TWO-YEAR
ASSOCIATE
DEGREES



PLUS

**THE FIRST
2 YEARS**
OF STUDY FOR NEARLY
ALL OF PENN STATE'S
275+ MAJORS

AVERAGE CLASS SIZE: **24** STUDENTS

60%

OF PENN STATE BERKS GRADUATES HAVE
HAD AT LEAST ONE UNDERGRADUATE
RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

400+ internships are completed by Penn State
Berks students each semester

STUDENT LIFE

2,578

TOTAL STUDENTS

805

STUDENTS IN
ON-CAMPUS HOUSING
+
MORE OFF-CAMPUS
HOUSING LOCALLY

342

STEPS

SHORTEST
COMMUTE FROM
RESIDENCE HALL
TO CLASS

50+ CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS

12

NCAA DIVISION III INTERCOLLEGIATE
VARSITY ATHLETIC TEAMS

BASEBALL (M) SOCCER (M,W)
BASKETBALL (M,W) SOFTBALL (W)
CROSS COUNTRY (M,W) TENNIS (M,W)
GOLF (M) VOLLEYBALL (W)

PLUS CLUB TEAMS—INCLUDING
BOWLING, ICE HOCKEY, AND RUGBY—
AND INTRAMURALS





“I grew up in Bermuda, so from an international student’s perspective, Penn State Berks has made me feel very welcomed and included. I even worked as an intercultural mentor, helping other international students to adapt.”

Jordan Bascome

VETERINARY AND BIOMEDICAL SCIENCE
INTERCULTURAL MENTOR



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| 1. Peiffer Farm | 10. Franco Building | 19. Woods Residence Complex | 27. Village Residence Complex |
| 2. Peiffer House | 11. Gaige Building | 20. Amber House | 28. Cedar Hall |
| 3. Implement Building | 12. Information Commons at the Thun Library | 21. Poplar House | 29. Greenbrier Hall |
| 4. Greenhouses | 13. Hintz Bookstore | 22. Willow House | 30. Sage Hall |
| 5. Williams Cottage | 14. Luerssen Building | 23. Ivy House | 31. Sweetwood Hall |
| 6. Janssen Office Building | 15. Perkins Plaza | 24. Juniper House | 32. Oakmoss Hall |
| 7. Janssen Conference Center | 16. Perkins Student Center | 25. Evergreen House | 33. Laurel Hall |
| 8. Garage | 17. Beaver Community Center | 26. Pepperwood House | 34. Bowman Hall |
| 9. Sheep Barn | 18. Alumni Pavilion | | 35. Athletic Storage Building |
| | | | 36. Hintz Athletic Field |
| | | | 37. Athletic Turf Field |

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610-396-6070

Student Disability Resources
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Adult Learners
610-396-6225



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berks.psu.edu/admissions



Location is everything

Penn State Berks is set on 258 beautifully landscaped acres next to Gring's Mill Recreation Area near Reading. A short trip to University Park allows you to enjoy some of the best Big Ten Conference sporting events in the country. Major shopping malls, restaurants, movie theatres, recreation facilities, and entertainment options are close by.

Penn State Berks is easily accessible from anywhere in eastern Pennsylvania and neighboring states. Many of our students choose to commute from home, making the college transition more comfortable and more affordable.

CAMPUS SECURITY CRIME STATISTICS—The Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act and Pennsylvania Act of 1988 require that crime statistics for Pennsylvania colleges and universities be made available to applicants upon request. Penn State's combined Annual Security and Annual Fire Safety Report includes statistics for the previous three years concerning reported crimes that occurred on campus, in certain off-campus buildings owned or controlled by the University, and on public property within or immediately adjacent to and accessible from the campus. The report also includes institutional policies concerning campus security, such as those concerning alcohol and drug use, crime prevention, the reporting of crimes, sexual assault, and other matters. You may obtain this information for the Penn State campus to which you are applying by accessing the website at www.police.psu.edu/clery/. A printed copy of the report may be obtained by writing to University Police & Public Safety, The Pennsylvania State University, Eisenhower Parking Deck, University Park PA 16802-6703 or by calling 814-865-1864.

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