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September 30th
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gset@psu.edu

WHAT IS IT?
FiGE is a group of internationally diverse students that participate in a series of events and programs to experience Penn State through a variety of perspectives

Foundations in Global Engagement
Welcome to Penn State! Since 1855, the University Park campus has been home to a talented and diverse group of students, faculty, and staff, and we’re pleased you’re joining this vibrant community. I encourage you to make the most of your college experience. Explore a wide array of academic and cocurricular experiences. Get involved! You’ll develop new skills, make new friends, and, along the way, find your future.

We look forward to getting to know you and helping you achieve your educational goals. At Penn State, we’re committed to student success in the classroom and in all you do. I wish you the best as you begin your journey at our University. Thank you for choosing Penn State.

President Eric Barron
Penn State Reads is an initiative sponsored by Undergraduate Education, Student Affairs, Student Orientation and Transition Programs, and the University Libraries. It is designed to provide a shared experience among new first-year students, encourage intellectual engagement within and beyond the classroom, stimulate critical thinking, and foster a deeper connection to Penn State’s mission and core values. First-year students will receive a copy of the book at New Student Orientation, and they should read it prior to participating in Welcome Week activities.

The Circle
By Dave Eggers
Set at some time in the future, the book tells the story of Mae Holland, a recent college graduate who is hired at a powerful tech company that revolutionized the Internet. The Circle was selected because it raises timely questions about technology and its consequences, privacy and surveillance, the limits of human knowledge, and democracy. Dave Eggers is an award-winning American writer and visual artist. He also co-founded 826 National, a non-profit writing and tutoring center in San Francisco for kids ages 6 – 18, and ScholarMatch, which connects donors with students in an effort to make college more affordable. Eggers will be visiting Penn State in October to discuss his book with students.
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Welcome to the State College Area

Message from the Mayor
For some of you, State College feels like a small town and for others it may seem large. But most who call this place home think State College is the perfect size. On and off campus, State College and surrounding areas offer a wide range of restaurants, live music, theatrical performances, and sporting events, as well as shopping in our thriving downtown business district and throughout the Centre Region. State College is nestled in the Nittany Valley, offering an abundance of natural resources, which provide ample opportunities to bike, hike, fish, swim and explore the great outdoors.

State College takes pride in being recognized as a safe and welcoming place. Penn State is a world-class university that attracts people from all over the world, expanding our diversity and cultural richness. Students comprise a large percentage of the community, and Penn State graduates frequently stay and build their lives here – we hope you will consider doing the same. The knowledge and experiences students gain through their studies at Penn State contribute to our vibrant and innovative community. State College Borough and its citizens benefit from student involvement in local non-profits and Penn State organizations, helping our community respond better to current needs and improve the quality of life in State College.

You are now a citizen of State College, and I encourage you to get involved, know your neighbors, and, most importantly, to feel at home. This is a perfect place to try on new ideas and new roles that build upon the connections that bring us together.

As your Mayor, I welcome your questions and comments. My door is always open for students who want to contact me, present ideas, suggest changes, and find ways to work together. I hope we have a chance to meet while you call State College home.

Elizabeth Goreham
Mayor, State College

State College Area & Centre County
visitpennstate.org

Centre County, Pennsylvania
centrecountypa.gov

Government:
County seat is located in Bellefonte

Geography:
1,000+ square miles located in central Pennsylvania, created on February 13, 1800

Distance to:
Pittsburgh, PA 140 miles; 2 hours 45 mins.
Baltimore, MD 175 miles; 3 hours 10 mins.
Philadelphia, PA 195 miles; 3 hours 30 mins.
Washington, DC 215 miles; 4 hours
New York, NY 235 miles; 4 hours

Population: 155,171

Education: 40% of persons age 25+ have a Bachelor’s degree or higher

State College Area
crocg.net
The State College Area consists of State College Borough and College, Ferguson, Halfmoon, Harris, and Patton townships. Most students living off campus live in the State College Area, with a majority in State College Borough.

State College Borough
statecollegepa.us
Geography: State College Borough is 4.5 square miles
Population: 42,034
Education: 63% have a bachelor’s degree or higher
3 TOOLS TO HELP MAKE STUDENT BANKING EASIER

A TRUSTY CALendAR
Your class schedule may be hectic, but Calendar can help keep your finances in order.

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Make sure you cover all your expenses, but save some aside for special items with Wish List.

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Welcome to University Park!
As a change-of-campus or transfer student, your previous college experience will help you adjust to life at University Park. A new campus will present both exciting opportunities and a few challenges along the way. Whether you are living on or off campus, Preface magazine contains important information for you to have during your transition.

You are encouraged to participate in Welcome Week activities when you arrive on campus at the beginning of the semester. Programs offered during Welcome Week are designed for all students new to University Park. However, there are some events and activities just for change-of-campus and transfer students. Check out the Welcome Week schedule for information.

Should you need more information about welcome programs for change-of campus or transfer students, don’t hesitate to contact Student Orientation and Transition Programs at 814-865-4178 or orientation@psu.edu.

Change-of-Campus Welcome
The Change-of-Campus Welcome program offers you an opportunity to learn about the classroom environment, continuing your involvement, academic advising, navigating campus, the CATA Bus system, and much more. You will also meet current University Park students to hear about their transition experiences from commonwealth campuses. Visit orientation.psu.edu for more details about the program. You are expected to attend this program to pick up important tips for a successful transition.

My favorite spot to study on campus is the new BBH Building on the third floor. There’s this huge table made of natural wood and there’s rarely anyone else there. It’s very quiet and there are glass walls facing downtown that give a great view!

Jessica R.
Sophomore
Food Sciences
Coral Springs, Florida
Head offshore and explore Stone Valley from a different perspective. Discover beautiful views and enjoy calmness unique to being on the waters of Lake Perez. Stone Valley offers paddle boats, canoes, kayaks, rowboats and sailboats for rental. Consider spending a portion or all of your day on the lake.

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Academic Life
The Penn State undergraduate degree is designed to help you develop a breadth of skills as well as depth of knowledge in a content area. Breadth is structured around a foundation of General Education, and depth is acquired through your major. Refer to the Undergraduate Degree Programs Bulletin for more details about your degree, General Education requirements, academic planning, academic integrity, and other important details.

Academic Advising at Penn State

Advising.psu.edu

As a Penn State student, you will receive academic advising from professional and/or faculty advisers. You can find your assigned adviser’s contact information using Starfish, one of the University’s academic advising tools. You will initiate the academic advising assistance you need at Penn State. Ideally you will contact your assigned adviser at least once a semester and as often as needed to successfully plan and manage your goals. Seek a partnership with your adviser and be intentional about the educational opportunities available at Penn State.

Advisers are prepared to:

• Help you identify and achieve your academic goals
• Help you understand academic policies and procedures
• Promote intellectual discovery
• Encourage you to take advantage of in-and-out-of-class educational opportunities
• Encourage you to become a self-directed learner and decision maker

The Academic Advising Portal (advising.psu.edu) is an online gateway to important advising information, tools, and resources. The site includes a searchable index with links to helpful academic policies and procedures, as well as an events calendar, and contact information for key University offices.

Academic Advising Centers

• Agricultural Sciences............................................814-865-7521
  101 Agricultural Administration Building
• Arts and Architecture........................................814-865-9523
  104 Borland Building
• Smeal College of Business.................................814-863-1947
  202 Business Building
• Communications...............................................814-865-1503
  204 Carnegie Building
• Division of Undergraduate Studies......................814-865-7576
  3rd floor, Bank of America Building
• Earth and Mineral Sciences...............................814-863-2751
  14 Deike Building
• Education......................................................814-865-0488
  228 Chambers Building
• Engineering....................................................814-863-1033
  208 Hammond Building
• Health and Human Development........................814-865-2156
  5 Henderson Building
• Information Sciences and Technology................814-865-8947
  104 IST Building
• Liberal Arts....................................................814-865-2545
  See Adviser by Major/Minor at la.psu.edu
• Nursing..........................................................814-863-2229
  210 Nursing Sciences Building
• Eberly College of Science..................................814-863-3889
  122 Ritenour Building
• Health Professions Advising..............................814-863-3889
  221 Ritenour Building
• Pre-Law Advising.............................................814-865-7576
  101 Grange Building

Academic Integrity

Academic integrity is the pursuit of scholarly activity in an open, honest, and responsible manner. It is a basic guiding principle for all academic activity at Penn State, and all members of the University community are expected to act in accordance with this principle. Academic dishonesty includes, but is not limited to, cheating, plagiarism, fabrication of information or citations, facilitation of acts of academic dishonesty by others, unauthorized possession of examinations, submitting work of another person or work previously used without informing the instructor, and tampering with the academic work of other students.

The University takes violations of academic integrity seriously. When an act of academic dishonesty is believed to have occurred, the process begins with a conversation between the faculty member and the accused student and follows the procedures outlined by the Faculty Senate.
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Resources for Undergraduate Students

Course Management System

ANGEL

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ANGEL is one of Penn State's online course environments, where you access course syllabi, lessons, grades, class discussions, and more. Professors use ANGEL to communicate with you about assignments, possible schedule changes, and other course issues. In Fall 2017, ANGEL will be replaced by Canvas.

Canvas

[link to pennstate.edu]

The new learning management system (LMS) that offers students and faculty ways to manage, navigate, and access their courses online.

Child Care Subsidy Program for Student Parents

[link to pennstate.edu]

The Office of Human Resources offers a child care subsidy program for qualifying low-income undergraduate and graduate student parents enrolled in a degree program at all Penn State University locations. Students may utilize child care financial assistance at licensed, two-star rated child care programs. Funding is limited so students are encouraged to apply as soon as possible.

Division of Undergraduate Studies

[link to pennstate.edu]

The Division of Undergraduate Studies (DUS) enrolls and advises students who are exploring majors in multiple academic colleges. Students choosing from more than one possible major may start in DUS and, after exploring and selecting a major/college and meeting eligibility requirements, move into an academic college within their first two years.

University Office of Global Programs

[link to pennstate.edu]

Global Programs provides oversight for all of Penn State's international engagements. Global Programs manages education abroad programs; hosts international students and scholars; and facilitates the University's many international partnerships around the world.

Office of the Vice Provost for Educational Equity

[link to pennstate.edu]

The Office of the Vice Provost for Educational Equity serves as a catalyst and advocate for diversity and inclusion initiatives. Educational Equity's vision is a community that is an inclusive and welcoming environment for all.

Multicultural Resource Center (MRC)

[link to pennstate.edu]

The MRC provides individual counseling and educational services for undergraduate multicultural students. Counselors work with students on a variety of issues involving University procedures, financial aid concerns, tutoring referrals, strategies for academic success, and assists targets of bias motivated incidents to find quick resolution.

Student Disability Resources (SDR)

[link to pennstate.edu]

SDR provides a welcoming and inclusive campus community for all students with disabilities. SDR staff, in collaboration with the wider University community, facilitate equal access and opportunity for students with disabilities so they can fully participate in all University-sponsored programs and activities. Requests for reasonable accommodations and services may include, but are not limited to: extended time for tests, use of assistive or adaptive technology, sign language interpreting, Computer Aided Real-Time (CART) captioning and accessible instructional materials. Contact SDR as soon as possible for an intake appointment.

Office of Veterans Programs

[link to pennstate.edu]

The Office of Veterans Programs is organized as a comprehensive, direct service unit for veterans and Department of Veterans Affairs (DVA) benefits recipients. The staff and students provide services in three major areas: Outreach, Certification, and General Counseling.
Penn State Reserve Officers’ Training Corps (ROTC)
undergrad.psu.edu/rotc.html
The Penn State ROTC programs develop future leaders for military service in the U.S. Army, Navy/Marine Corps, and Air Force. Qualified students may compete for ROTC scholarships and other financial support.
• Air Force ROTC – 109 Wagner Building, (814) 865-5453, airforce@psu.edu
• Army ROTC – 212 Wagner Building, (814) 863-0368, armyrotc@psu.edu
• Naval ROTC – 315 Wagner Building, (814) 865-6289, nrotc@psu.edu

Research Opportunities for Undergraduates
undergradresearch.psu.edu
Penn State offers many opportunities for you to participate in research and creative endeavors. Working with faculty mentors, you can engage in active learning in the laboratory, library, studio, and field. Through these experiences, students share in the excitement of discovery, develop important skills, and explore career choices. They get to know faculty members and connect with a disciplinary community. Many publish, perform, exhibit, or present their work, sharing it with audiences beyond Penn State.

Schreyer Honors College
shc.psu.edu
10 Schreyer Honors College, Atherton Hall
814-863-2635
The Schreyer Honors College is Penn State’s top-ranked University-wide honors college for students of exceptional academic and leadership abilities. The experience is designed to challenge, enrich, and broaden students’ general education through academic excellence, and build a global understanding and leadership through service. Its goal is to provide an environment in which students of high ability can achieve their potential. Entry to the Schreyer Honors College for first-year students is by application and selection. Prior to the start of their sophomore or junior year, Penn State students with a distinguished academic record and nomination from an academic department may apply to become Schreyer Scholars through the Gateway admission process.

In order to stay on track academically, whenever I receive my course syllabi, I write all the homework and exam dates in a planner. This allows me to visually see what weeks have a lot of work and which ones don’t.

Dane L.
Junior
Spanish Education
Jeannette, PA
Shaver’s Creek: Outdoor Education Field Lab & Nature Center
shaverscreek.org
814-863-2000
shaverscreek@outreach.psu.edu
Shaver’s Creek was founded in 1976 as a resource for the community and as a field laboratory for Penn State students to gain leadership skills and get hands-on experience teaching about the natural world. Earn credit and learn about life at Penn State the summer before your first semester as you go backpacking with AURORA outdoor orientation programs; inspire wonder in fifth graders by becoming a camp counselor at Outdoor School; teach families about the natural world as a costumed interpreter during one of our annual festivals; or just spend some time relaxing at the Creek! Enjoy a hike with friends around Lake Perez or check out our resident reptiles, amphibians, and over 20 live birds of prey.

Information Technology Services
it.psu.edu/jumpstart
814-863-1035 or 814-863-2494
Information Technology Services (ITS) ensures that you have the technology tools necessary to help you make the most of your academic career. You have access to a wide variety of information technology services such as WebMail, IT Service Desks, and audio/video production facilities.

Access Account
The Penn State Access Account – abc1234 – enables you to access a wide range of online Penn State and Internet services. You can request a personal web page at work.psu.edu/webspace.

Computer Labs
clc.its.psu.edu/labs
There are over 50 ITS computer labs available to students, faculty, and staff. Along with technology classrooms, we have nearly 3,000 computers in 419 rooms across campus.

Internet Access & Wireless Service
wireless.psu.edu
You can access Internet services such as the web, email, libraries, online advising, and academic records. These services are available at computer labs on campus or can be accessed on your personal computer. Wireless service is available in many campus locations.

Undergraduate Degree Programs Bulletin
bulletins.psu.edu
The Undergraduate Degree Programs Bulletin is a comprehensive source of academic information. It outlines course requirements for majors and minors offered in each college and provides a listing of course descriptions.

Software @ Penn State
software.psu.edu
You can purchase the software you need for school from Software @ Penn State at lower prices than big box stores or online competitors. Software options are added to the site on a regular basis and requests for new software options are always welcome. Software @ Penn State website also provides Microsoft Office to you at no additional cost. You can download Microsoft Office, by visiting the Software @ Penn State website, clicking on “Shop Student Software,” and searching Microsoft.

WebMail
webmail.psu.edu
Penn State WebMail is a web-based email client that provides you with anytime, anywhere access to your Penn State email via a web browser. The easy-to-use interface lets you create and organize mailboxes, access directory services, create and add personalized signatures, and change a variety of settings.

Undergraduate Education
undergrad.psu.edu
Undergraduate Education is the academic administrative unit that provides leadership and coordination for University-wide programs and initiatives in support of undergraduate teaching and learning at Penn State. Learn more about Undergraduate Education at undergrad.psu.edu.

University Libraries
libraries.psu.edu
814-865-6368
The University Libraries is your base for a wide array of intellectual, social, and cultural endeavors. Library collections include 5.8 million titles, 749 online databases, 110,000 online journals, and much more. Personalized help is available for research and projects. Online guides, course reserves, comfortable study spaces, disability services, and many other resources are also offered. The Knowledge Commons in Pattee Library is open 24/5 and offers multimedia production space, presentation practice rooms, and group study rooms.
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**Business of Being A Student**

**Office of the University Registrar**
registrar.psu.edu
112 Shields Building
814-865-6357
registrar@psu.edu

The Office of the University Registrar has University-wide responsibility for student academic records and related processes, including registration, academic transcripts, confidentiality of student records, grade reporting, graduation and diplomas, enrollment verification, scheduling of classrooms and final exams, and degree audits.

**FERPA**
Penn State takes student privacy very seriously. The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974-FERPA- is the federal law that protects the privacy of student education records and identifies the rights of students and their families with respect to student education records kept by institutions.

Under FERPA, you have the right to:
- Have some control over the disclosure of information from your education records
- Inspect and review your education records
- Request the amendment of inaccurate or otherwise inappropriate education records

For more information about FERPA visit registrar.psu.edu/confidentiality/confidentiality_index.cfm

**LionPATH**
lionpath.psu.edu

LionPATH is the student information system and will be your one-stop-shop to register, check grades, pay your bill, and more.

**Delegated Access**

With the delegated access function in LionPATH, you grant your parents/family members the ability to view a selection of your student data.

In order to grant your parent/guardian the ability to view your LionPATH student information, you will need to log in to LionPATH to initiate the delegated access process. Delegation is available through the following navigation: Self Service > Student Delegation > Guardian Options.

You may provide delegated access in LionPATH for the following areas:
- Financial Aid
- Grades
- Holds
- Class schedule
- To-do list

To set up delegated access, you will need to have your parent/family members personal email address. Once you grant access, your parent/family member will receive an email with further instructions on how to view your student data with LionPATH.

You will grant access to your parents/family members to view and/or pay tuition bills through a tuition payment plan administered by Higher One.

**Your Penn State id+ Card**
idcard.psu.edu
20 HUB-Robeson Center
814-865-7590

The id+ Office issues University ID cards to students and is the central office responsible for the support of all ID card related services for all Penn State campuses. You are required by University policy to obtain and carry your id+ card at all times. Your id+ card is a vital part of life at Penn State, providing easy access to University resources and services, such as library services and access to your residence hall, athletic events, and testing centers. Use your id+ card to access the Campus Meal Plan, LionCash+, and optional PNC Bank accounts.

**Office of the Bursar**
bursar.psu.edu
103 Shields Building
814-865-6528

The Office of the Bursar is responsible for the maintenance of student accounts pertaining to acceptance fees, tuition billing, charges, payments, financial aid disbursements* and refunds.

*Please note: the awarding and disbursement of financial aid is managed by the Office of Student Aid.

**Student Checklist**
- Obtain PSU id+ card
- Sign up for Rapid Refund
- Grant online access for parents/other individuals (optional*)

*Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) prohibits the release of information without the student’s authorization.

**Tuition Bills**

Approximately one month prior to the start of classes, e-Bills are generated for students who are enrolled. All bills are electronic. You will receive notification via your Penn State e-mail account when your tuition bill is available to view/pay through the Student Center on LionPATH.
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Tuition Rates & Net Cost Calculators  
tuition.psu.edu  
Penn State’s tuition rates vary by campus, program, student level, and residency. The student tuition calculator can be used to determine your tuition rate for Spring 2017 or Fall 2017 semester.

Office of Student Aid  
studentaid.psu.edu  
314 Shields Building  
814-865-6301  
The Office of Student Aid at University Park administers all major types of federal, state, and University financial aid.

The Office of Student Aid communicates with you through your Penn State email account.

Loans  
Federal Direct Stafford Loan  
To receive the federal Direct Loan, you must submit the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) at fasfa.gov.

Federal Direct Parent PLUS Loan (PLUS)  
Parents of dependent undergraduate students may apply for a PLUS loan.

Private Alternative Loans  
Private alternative loans are managed through private lenders, issued in the student’s name, and require a co-signer. Eligibility, rates, terms, and conditions vary.

Scholarships  
Students who are offered admission and submit the FAFSA to Penn State are considered for scholarships awarded by the Office of Student Aid. Several scholarships are awarded by academic colleges. Thousands of outside scholarships are available. To find scholarship opportunities, go to search engines like fastweb.com and unigo.com, and visit the Office of Student Aid’s Facebook and Twitter pages.

Responsibilities of a Financial Aid Recipient  
Review Penn State’s Satisfactory Academic Progress Standard to understand the requirements to remain eligible for student aid.

Verification  
Office of Student Aid is required by the federal government to verify the information submitted on the FAFSA. Respond to requests for verification documents from the Office of Student Aid to avoid a delay in the processing of student aid.

Work Study & Campus Employment  
All students who submit the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FASFA) to Penn State are considered for work-study. If you are awarded work-study, it will be listed on your Award Summary in LionPATH. If you did not receive a work-study award, there are many other employment opportunities available.

More than 1,000 students work on campus with Food Services, Penn State Bakery, Bryce Jordan Center, Housing, Residence Life, and Hospitality Services. You can work 10-20 hours a week with a flexible schedule that fits your class schedule. The websites listed below provide information about on-campus employment opportunities.

Athletics Department  
gopsusports.com

Bryce Jordan Center  
bjc.psu.edu

Housing, Food Service & ResCom  
abshr.psu.edu

Hospitality Services  
pshs.psu.edu/penn-state-hotels/employment.cfm

Eco-Rep  
sustainability.psu.edu/opportunities/

Job Search  
psu.jobs

Student Financial Education Center (SFEC)  
financialliteracy.psu.edu  
The SFEC provides free peer-to-peer financial education and resources to students. Peer educators are trained in budgeting, credit, and students loans. Please visit our website to schedule an appointment and for more information.
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**Spring 2017 Important Dates**

**Spring Semester 2017**

New Student Arrival Day¹ ................................................................. January 7
Winter Welcome ........................................................................ January 7-14
Residence Halls open at 8:00 a.m. ............................................. January 7
Classes Begin .............................................................................. January 7
Drop Period² .............................................................................. January 9-14
Add Period² ................................................................................ January 9-15 at 8:00 a.m.
Martin Luther King Day – No Classes .................................... January 16
Residence Halls close at Noon .................................................... March 4
Spring Break – No Classes ............................................................... March 5-11
Residence Halls reopen at 10:00 a.m ...................................... March 12
Late Drop Ends² ......................................................................... April 7
Withdrawal Deadline ................................................................. April 28
Classes End ............................................................................ April 28
Study Days ................................................................................ April 29-30
Final Exams ............................................................................. May 1-5
Residence Halls close at 4:00 p.m. ........................................... May 7

¹New international students will arrive several days prior to this date.
²These dates apply to full semester courses.
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SAT  OCT  8

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Pollock Party
HUB; Past to Present
Pollock Party
HUB; Best of Penn State Carnival & Field Day
Penn Family Alumni Center; Ice Cream Social
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Penn State is home to a vibrant community of 5,000 Jewish students. Penn State Hillel enriches the lives of these students while they are at Penn State.

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Student Affairs
studentaffairs.psu.edu
Student Affairs provides programs and services to promote your intellectual and personal development throughout your college career. Enrich your life and the lives of others while at Penn State by participating in the campus and surrounding community. Discover new challenges and meet new people in any of the more than 1000 student organizations including opportunities in service learning, recreation and sports, leadership, music and theatre, and much more. Additionally, a wide range of programs are provided including direct services for students seeking counseling, health care, career assistance, student activities, legal advice, conflict resolution, leadership development, religious or spiritual opportunities, and residence life.

Adult Learner Programs and Services
studentaffairs.psu.edu/adults
210 Boucke Building
814-863-7378
Adult Learner Programs provides advocacy, programming, and resources for non-traditional age students and student veterans seeking their undergraduate degree. If you are returning to higher education, beginning college after working or raising a family or serving in the military you are encouraged to contact our office upon arrival. Information and referrals about admission, child care, financial aid, housing, University policies or procedures, as well as referral to the appropriate University or community resource are available. A series of workshops including budgeting, financial aid, time management, e-portfolio building, career services, and education abroad as well as a variety of social events are offered to support personal and career goals.

Career Services
studentaffairs.psu.edu/career
Bank of America Center Services Building
814-865-2377
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Center for Character, Conscience and Public Purpose
studentaffairs.psu.edu/thecenter
102 HUB-Robeson Center
814-867-6402
The Center for Character, Conscience and Public Purpose offers programs and services designed to challenge students to reflect on questions of personal conscience and character and equip students with the understanding, motivation, and skills of responsible citizenship.

Center for Spiritual and Ethical Development
studentaffairs.psu.edu/spiritual
Pasquerilla Spiritual Center & Eisenhower Chapel
814-865-6548
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studentaffairs.psu.edu/womenscenter
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814-863-2027
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studentaffairs.psu.edu/lgbtqa
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Get Involved in the Arts

Center for the Performing Arts
cpa.psu.edu
1-800-ARTS-TIX
The Center for the Performing Arts at Penn State presents some of the finest touring professional artists from around the world on the stages of University Park’s Eisenhower and Schwab auditoriums. Each season, from fall through spring, the center welcomes touring Broadway shows, classical orchestras and chamber ensembles, dance companies, jazz instrumentalists and singers, world music, American folk singers, family-friendly productions, and more. Tickets for Penn State students are substantially discounted thanks to annual grants from the University Park Allocation Committee. The center’s Classical Music Project, in its sixth season in 2016-17, seeks to cultivate lifelong interest in Western art music through traditional and nontraditional performances plus free engagement activities. The Classical Music Project is online at cmp.psu.edu

Participate or Perform
arts.psu.edu
clubs.psu.edu
The performing, design, and visual arts can be a meaningful part of your Penn State experience through College of Arts and Architecture ensembles and clubs, such as the Blue Band, Thespians, Philharmonic Orchestra, Clay Club, Photography Club, and much more. Most ensembles and clubs are open to all students, regardless of major. Express your creativity on stage or in the studio by getting involved, or be an active participant in the arts by attending the College of Arts and Architecture’s theatre and music performances, exhibitions, and lectures, many of which are free. How will you discover the arts at Penn State?

Penn State’s Sustainability Institute
sustainability.psu.edu
814-865-7488
Penn State’s Sustainability Institute is home to multiple resources for students. At sustainability.psu.edu you can find out about 100+ sustainability-related courses, 60 student organizations, 40+ degree programs including the Sustainability Leadership Minor, and how to compost, recycle and reduce your energy use while living in the residence halls. Find out ways to get involved in sustainability activities on campus or tips for sustainable living by following @sustainPSU on social media.
Campus Recreation
studentaffairs.psu.edu/campusrec
Campus Recreation provides opportunities to participate in your favorite recreation activities while promoting healthy lifestyles and developing student leadership opportunities. Campus recreation is an important out-of-classroom experience which enables you to remain active, pursue a new activity, play on a team, win a championship, have a job, and enjoy campus life. Student work opportunities exist within the recreation programs.

Fitness
fitnessmembership.psu.edu
814-865-3488
On campus there are three recreation buildings, two swimming pools, two golf courses, tennis courts, an ice arena, and an off-campus outdoor area. There are three fitness areas on campus located in the IM Building, Rec Hall, and White Building. To access these areas, you must purchase a Fitness Pass. Passes may be purchased by the semester or for the academic year.

Adventure Recreation
140 White Building
814-863-2895
Adventure Rec is a recreation program which promotes outdoor activities and adventures. Trips, workshops, mapping material, and equipment are some of the services available in this program.

Club Sports
143 White Building
814-867-2087
Club Sports provides opportunities to continue to follow your passion of playing a favorite sport. Currently there are 78 club sports. Student membership involves dues, sometimes “trying” out, and providing your own equipment.

Intramural Sports
Room 101, IM Building
814-865-5401
Intramural Sports offers 25 activities including team, dual, and individual sports. The cost is minimal and play occurs in Residence Hall, Fraternity, Women’s Open, and Co-Rec Divisions.

Intercollegiate Athletics
gopsusports.com
1-800-NITTANY
Penn State University is a member of the Big Ten Conference. Thirty-one varsity sports are offered in both men’s and women’s competition. The sports are governed by the NCAA. The teams are highly competitive both within the Big Ten and on the national level. Competitions are both home and away and our sport venues are some of the best fields and arenas in the country. Numerous National Championships have been won by the Nittany Lions and students can count on seeing fast paced, high quality and exciting games. The majority of games are free with a valid PSU id+ card. Football, hockey, and basketball require ticket purchases. Visit gopsusports.com to connect with team pages, schedules, and ticket information.

Don’t be afraid to put yourself out there and try new things! I explored many different clubs and activities until I found the ones that fit me best, including some related to my major. If you keep an open mind, you could end up liking something you never thought you would!

Kelly P.  
Junior  
Kinesiology  
Fairfield, CT
Housing
housing.psu.edu
We are excited to have you join our on-campus community! University Park has 53 residence halls, 5 common buildings, and 359 apartments on campus. Over 14,300 undergraduates and more than 300 graduate students reside on campus. University housing provides residential facilities that offer convenience, security, and a wide scope of programs and services designed to help you succeed.

Arrival Days & Moving In
arrival.psu.edu
For move-in details visit the arrival website for lists of what to bring, what not to bring, and any last-minute changes regarding your residence hall room check-in process. If your family members want to stay overnight during arrival, they will need to make lodging arrangements well in advance. The site is designed to help you make the most of this hectic, but exciting time.

Residence Life
studentaffairs.psu.edu/reslife
201 Johnston Commons
814-863-1710
Residence Life is committed to providing a safe and comfortable living–learning environment that fosters academic, social, cultural, and personal growth. You are encouraged to get to know your Residence Assistant (RA), a student leader specially trained to help with questions and build a sense of community among residents. Each residence hall area has student and professional staff members who live in the community and are available 24/7 to provide information and resources, offer help and support, plan social and educational activities, and address residents’ concerns.

Residential Computing Services (ResCom)
rescom.psu.edu
ResCom is your computer technical support service offered free of charge to students residing in the residence halls at University Park. ResCom operates help desks conveniently located in Findlay, Pollock, and Waring Commons.

Visit the ResCom website for detailed step-by-step instructions on how to connect to the residence hall wireless network. You can register online through the ResCom website for wired Ethernet connection in your room for any device you own that cannot connect to building wireless.

Living with a Roommate
Living with a roommate is an important part of the college experience. Information about roommate relationships and other residence hall topics will be discussed during Welcome Week, and can be found on the Residence Life website.

Making Yourself at Home
Residence hall rooms are furnished with all the basics you’ll need including a bed, desk and chair, refrigerator/microwave, and closet. Each residence area provides additional amenities to make your stay complete: dining and laundry facilities, study and social lounges, computer labs, and a commons desk where you can pick up mail and packages, send and receive faxes and obtain a temporary Penn State id+card if needed.

Staying Safe
Penn State has established a number of security measures in the residence halls. Each residence hall has a card-access system that operates 24 hours a day, seven days a week, whenever the halls are occupied. You will have access only to the building in which you live. In addition, from dusk-to-dawn, the Residence Hall Security Unit checks for propped doors, monitors activities in the commons areas, and assists students who have questions or difficulties with the card-access system. To review the residence hall community safety guideline, see the Terms, Conditions, and Regulations of the Housing and Food Service (HFS) Contract at housing.psu.edu/housing-and-food-service-contract-terms-conditions-and-regulations.

My favorite spot to study is Findlay Commons in East. I like studying here because it is a two-minute walk from my dorm and the computer lab is always quiet and I am really able to focus on my work!

Alaina B.
Sophomore
Health Policy Administration
Mickleton, NJ
On-Campus Dining Options
foodservices.psu.edu
Penn State Food Services, one of the largest in the country, purchases over $30 million in goods each year and the dining commons serve 1.4 million meals each semester. Currently, Penn State serves all on-campus residents, and 14,000 LionCash+ members. Penn State operates five on-campus dining commons and multiple restaurants and coffee shops located throughout campus.

A Campus Meal Plan, accessed by your id+ Card, is required for all students living on campus. You are able to use the Campus Meal Plan to purchase food at any location on campus. Each residence area features a variety of dining options. You’ll find bountiful selections in the dining commons, campus restaurants, snack bars, convenience stores, and coffee shops. Carry-out options are available in every dining commons. Each dining commons offers choices for healthy and vegetarian diets, and food items are labeled with nutrition information. If you have a special dietary needs, you are encouraged to contact Food Services’ registered dietician prior to arrival.

Don’t be afraid of doing something by yourself; you can usually explore the most then.
Laura B. Fairfield, CT Kinesiology
Off-Campus Living

studentaffairs.psu.edu/offcampus
230 HUB-Robeson Center
814-865-2346
Visit the Off-Campus Living office for information regarding lease agreements, tips for apartment searching, security checklists, communicating with landlords, and other important resources for being an informed renter. Many students begin looking for off-campus housing as early as October. Visit the Off-Campus Living website for a listing of local rental properties as well as a list of students seeking roommates/suitemates.

Off-Campus Housing Fairs
For the opportunity to ask questions about off-campus living, talk to realtors, schedule apartment tours, and attend an Off-Campus Living Housing Fair hosted during the fall and spring semester.

Living Off Campus: Useful Tips

Know Your Lease
A lease is a legally binding contract. Don’t sign until you are certain you want the apartment. Keep in mind that, after you sign, it doesn’t matter if you drop out of school, run into financial trouble, get into a fight with your roommate, or find an apartment you like better – you’re still obligated for the whole term of the contract. Oral leases are legal in Pennsylvania. For your protection, avoid oral leases, it is difficult to know exactly what rights and obligations you have if they aren’t written down.

Think Ahead to Get Your Security Deposit Back
There are key steps you can take to help get your security deposit back when you move out. (1) Make an accurate damages list, and take photos of each room, with close ups of any damage when you move in and again when you move out; (2) Treat your apartment gently while you live there; (3) Request repairs promptly, and in writing, if something breaks or is damaged while you live there; and (4) Provide the landlord with your forwarding address, in writing, when you turn in your keys.

Consider Renter’s Insurance
Renter’s insurance is inexpensive – basic policies can be found for less than $100 per year. Look for a policy that will cover damage to personal property as well as individual liability for accidents that happen on the premises. Before you buy, check to see what you already have. You may be covered under your parents’ homeowner’s policy.

Move-In Details
Your lease probably has a date and time when you can move in. If not, contact your landlord to be sure you know when your apartment will be available for you. When you arrive, unload your belongings quickly and move your car or trailer away from the building entrance. The people moving in after you will need the unloading space. In addition to on-street parking, State College Borough (814-278-4769) paid parking garages or lots are available on South Fraser Street, South Pugh Street, West Beaver Avenue, McAllister Street, South Allen Street, and West Beaver Avenue.

Questions?
As a Penn State student, you have access to free resources to help you plan and navigate your off-campus living experience. Check out the listings on Off-Campus Living and Student Legal Services, for more detail.

On-Campus Dining for Off-Campus Students
mealplans.psu.edu

LionCash+
For students who like to eat on campus and want the ability to use the plan at participating off-campus restaurants

Commuter Meal Plan
For students who like to eat on campus, but would like to charge the plan to the Bursar account (available for purchase September 30, 2016 through February 28, 2017 by noon)

Campus Meal Plan
For students who eat 12 or more meals per week at the dining commons

Make sure that your ‘why’ is greater than any of the obstacles that stand in your way. It will pick you up when you fall, wake you up when you oversleep, and believe in you, just as much as you believe in it, when the whole world turns it back.

Richard Z.
Sophomore
Economics / Math
Queens, NY
Health & Wellness

University Health Services (UHS)
studentaffairs.psu.edu/health
Student Health Center on Bigler Road
814-865-6556
It's important for you to stay healthy. UHS is here to provide resources and education that can help. If you get sick or have a pre-existing condition, our experienced and caring medical professionals provide a wide range of high-quality health services. Services include: advice nurse, pharmacy, medical appointments, physical therapy, x-ray, and on-site laboratory.

Appointments
studentaffairs.psu.edu/health/myuhs
814-863-0774
You can schedule appointments online through myUHS or call during regular business hours. Same-day appointments are available for acute medical problems. Appointments for routine health concerns are generally available within a few days.

Don’t Forget to Pack:
• Medical Insurance Card
• Medical Records
• Prescription Card
• First Aid Kit

Billing and Fees
Penn State does not charge a semester health care fee to students. You only pay for services you receive from UHS. Payment arrangements are expected at the time of service. UHS will bill your insurance or, if self-pay, accept cash, check or credit card.

Counseling and Psychological Services (CAPS)
studentaffairs.psu.edu/counseling
501 Student Health Center
814-863-0395
24-Hour CAN HELP Line: 1-800-643-5432
CAPS strives to help you resolve any personal issues that may interfere with your academic progress, social development, and satisfaction at Penn State. Common concerns include homesickness, depression and anxiety, addictions, lack of motivation, relationship problems, eating disorders, sexual assault, and uncertainties about personal values and beliefs. Services are confidential and basic counseling services are free for full-time students. For after-hours emergencies and weekend crisis situations, mental health professionals are available by calling the 24-hour emergency Centre County CAN HELP line.

Get Involved with Student Wellness
studentaffairs.psu.edu/health/volunteer/

Clinical Services
Clinic Volunteers work closely with members of the clinical staff, assist the nurses in a variety of duties, and assist patients. Volunteers get a first-hand understanding of the dynamics of the health care system.

Emergency Medical Services (EMS)
The Office of Emergency Medical Services is always looking for certified Pennsylvania EMTs and paramedics to become new volunteers. EMS operates the University Ambulance Service (UAS) and coordinates emergency medical services for nearly 600 special events each year.

Health Promotion and Wellness (HPW)
HealthWorks is a peer education outreach program dedicated to serving the Penn State community by educating students about wellness including alcohol, nutrition, physical activity, sexual health, sleep, and stress.

Physical Therapy (PT)
The PT volunteer program offers opportunities for students who are interested in pursuing a career in physical therapy or other health related fields. Student volunteers are encouraged to observe the physical therapist/physical therapist assistant/athletic trainer-patient interaction and ask questions.

My advice to new students at Penn State is to take each day and use it as an opportunity to step out of your comfort zone. There are millions of things to do and get involved with at Penn State, so don’t waste your time here!

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Graduate
Labor and Employment Relations
Elkins Park, PA
Field Guide to a Penn State Student at Shaver’s Creek
Penn State’s Outdoor Education Field Lab

FIELD GUIDE
Dig into over 35 credit courses in natural history, plant science, and outdoor leadership

NAME TAG
Gain professional experience with internships, work-study, or volunteering

AQUATIC NET
Introduce children to watershed ecology along the banks of Shaver’s Creek

CLIMBING ROPE
Become a leader of canoeing, backpacking, rock climbing, and team building activities

BINOCULARS
Connect with the natural world through birding, research, and citizen science projects

BACKPACK AND HIKING BOOTS
Get started at Penn State with AURORA Outdoor Orientation Programs

BOX TURTLE
Teach visiting school children about animal adaptations and lifecycles

WORK GLOVES & TRAIL TOOLS
Be a trail steward and remove invasive species

PACK BASKET
Inspire children at summer camp with a basket of fun activities

Learn about our expansion at ShaversCreek.org/Lead

Shaver’s Creek Environmental Center
ShaversCreek.org
University Police

police.psu.edu

Eisenhower Parking Deck, Lower Level
814-865-1864

University Police are responsible for the protection of students, faculty, staff, and guests of Penn State. They are also charged with the protection of life, property and maintenance of order on the University Park campus as well as the enforcement of all Pennsylvania laws and University regulations. University Police officers have full law enforcement authority and criminal investigative responsibility for the campus and have the same authority as municipal police officers in the Commonwealth, being authorized to carry firearms and empowered to make arrests.

Emergency Telephone

To assist with expedient reporting, emergency phones have been installed at various locations around campus. A direct line to University Police is available on the phones located outside most residence halls. Once the phone is activated, it will immediately ring at University Police, the location will be recorded and action will be taken.

PSUAlert

psualert.psu.edu

PSUAlert is an emergency notification service for Penn State students, faculty, and staff that allows the University to send text and/or voice messages to your cell phone in the event of an emergency (such as campus emergencies, weather-related closings, delays and other alerts). Add your cell phone number and other emergency contact information to PSUAlert at psualert.psu.edu. All students will automatically receive PSUAlert messages at their Penn State email address. You will also see Timely Warnings and Crime Alerts posted around campus in compliance with the provisions of the federal Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Police and Campus Crime Statistics Act of 1998 in regards to crimes that occur on campus.

Safe Walk Service

814-865-WALK (9255)

The Safe Walk Service is designed to provide walking accompaniment to Penn State students and employees who may feel unsafe walking alone on campus at night. Mobile escorts are generally limited to a one-mile radius of central campus.

Report Bias

equity.psu.edu/reportbias

Penn State is a community of mutual respect and acceptance. If you experience an act of hate or bias, REPORT IT to 814-863-2020 or equity.psu.edu/reportbias.
**What is Title IX?**

Title IX is a portion of the Educational Amendments of 1972 that prohibits discrimination on the basis of sex in any program or activity.

Violations of Title IX may include, but are not limited to,
- Sexual Harassment (unwelcome sexual advances, requests for sexual favors, and other verbal or physical conduct of a sexual nature)
- Sexual Misconduct (rape, sexual assault, sexual battery, sexual exploitation, and other forms of non-consensual sexual activity)
- Stalking (repeatedly following, harassing, threatening or intimidating including by telephone, mail, electronic communication, or social media)
- Dating Violence (including emotional, verbal, and economic abuse without the presence of physical abuse)
- Domestic Violence (including emotional, verbal, and economic abuse without the presence of physical abuse)
- Retaliation (adverse employment, academic, or other actions against anyone reporting or participating in an investigation of Title IX allegations)

**What are my options?**

Penn State offers these confidential and nonconfidential reporting options if you or a friend are a victim of sexual harassment, sexual assault, dating violence, domestic violence or stalking.

**Confidential Options**

- **Counseling & Psychological Services (CAPS)**
  814-863-0395
  studentaffairs.psu.edu/counseling

- **Center for Women Students**
  814-863-2027
  studentaffairs.psu.edu/womenscenter

- **Centre County Women’s Resource Center**
  814-234-5050
  ccwrc.org

- **Want to learn more about University resources?**
  Visit title-ix.psu.edu

**Reporting Options (Nonconfidential)**

- **Local Law Enforcement**
  911

- **Penn State Employee**

- **University Police**
  814-863-1111
  police.psu.edu

- **Title IX Coordinator**
  814-867-0099
  titleix@psu.edu

Activates Campus Response

The Title IX coordinator leads the University response, which may include a University investigation by University Police or Title IX investigators. The Title IX coordinator or designee will inform you of your rights and options (see below).

Interim remedies may be taken, including:

- A no-contact order, Classroom and housing adjustments, Access to on- and off- campus support services.

The Title IX coordinator or designee will conduct a thorough investigation of the incident. The Office of Student Conduct will review all relevant information and determine if the matter should go through the student conduct process.

Student survivors, witnesses, and bystanders who report, in good faith, any incident of sexual assault, domestic violence, or stalking, will NOT be charged with an alcohol or drug violation of the Student Code of Conduct.

**What are my rights?**

You always have the right to:

1. Choose to report to law enforcement.
2. Choose to be connected with a counselor in CAPS or the Center for Women Students. These are trained Penn State employees who will support you.
3. Choose to participate in the Title IX and student conduct investigation, or not. You may decide to no longer participate at any time.
4. Request specific remedies including: adjustments to your class schedule, room change requests, adjustments to your work schedule, transportation assistance, support for reporting to local law enforcement.
5. Visit psu.edu/dept/title-ix for more information and resources.

To access the University’s Policy on discrimination, harassment, sexual harassment, and related inappropriate conduct, please visit guru.psu.edu/policies/AD85.html.

Concerns about conduct that may violate this policy should be reported to Penn State’s Title IX Coordinator:

Paul Apicella, JD | 222 Boucke Building, University Park, PA 16802 | Phone: (814) 867-0099 | Email: pua26@psu.edu
The Office of Student Conduct is dedicated to supporting students by maintaining a system that is just, equitable, effective, educational and expeditious; a system that promotes student growth through individual responsibility; and a system in which the success of its educational endeavors is characterized by increased civility. Programs and services help students become responsible and contributing citizens within Penn State and the local communities. You should visit our website and click on the "Know the Code" icon to learn more about what is expected of you as a member of the Penn State community.

Code of Conduct
The Code of Conduct outlines seventeen behaviors that, as a student, you need to avoid as they are inconsistent with the essential values of Penn State. The Office of Student Conduct is responsible for interpreting and enforcing the Student Code of Conduct, ultimately determining whether or not a student has violated that code. The goal is to support the University's educational mission by promoting a safe, orderly, and positive University climate through enforcing behavioral standards, managing disciplinary proceedings, mentoring students, developing leadership skills, and fostering peer education.

The Code of Conduct fosters a University culture that is self-disciplined, where civility is embraced, and the norms and foundational beliefs validate the Penn State values, which are:

- **INTEGRITY:** We act with integrity and honesty in accordance with the highest academic, professional, and ethical standards.
- **RESPECT:** We respect and honor the dignity of each person, embrace civil discourse, and foster a diverse and inclusive community.
- **RESPONSIBILITY:** We act responsibly, and we are accountable for our decisions, actions, and their consequences.
- **DISCOVERY:** We seek and create new knowledge and understanding, and foster creativity and innovation, for the benefit of our communities, society, and the environment.
- **EXCELLENCE:** We strive for excellence in all our endeavors as individuals, as an institution, and as a leader in higher education.
- **COMMUNITY:** We work together for the betterment of our University, the communities we serve, and the world.

In addition to the Code of Conduct and the University's discipline process, you are also held accountable to local, state, and federal laws through traditional criminal procedures. Any off-campus student behavior that violates the Code of Conduct is subject to disciplinary action following standard University procedures.

Off-Campus Misconduct Policy
Penn State expects you to conduct yourself in accordance with the law. Student behavior off the premises of the campus that may have violated any local, state, or federal law, or yields a complaint from others alleging law violations or student misconduct, will be reviewed by the University.

Penn State University Alcohol Policy
Illegal alcohol use or abuse on or off the premises of the University negatively affects the University community and places students at personal and academic risk. University rules and procedures regarding student alcohol violations are specifically established to provide therapeutic or medical support interventions for students, community expectations for student conduct behaviors, and an orderly and safe environment for community members.

All students found responsible for behavior on or off campus involving Prohibited Underage Possession or Use of Alcoholic Beverages, Excessive Consumption of Alcohol, or Driving Under the Influence will be required to complete a University alcohol education/intervention program. The Brief Alcohol screening and Intervention for College Students (BASICS) program is administered by University Health Services and constitutes the mandatory sanction for first-time alcohol violations.

Alcohol Laws in Pennsylvania – A Summary

**Underage Drinking**
It is illegal for anyone under 21 years of age to attempt to purchase, consume, possess, or knowingly and intentionally transport any liquor, malt or brewed beverage. By law, the State College Police Department and University Police are required to notify parents or guardians of all underage drinking violations.

**Carrying False I.D.**
It is illegal for anyone under 21 to possess an identification card falsely identifying that person by name, age, date of birth, or photograph as being 21 or older.
Alcohol Laws in Pennsylvania (Continued)

Public Drunkenness
It is illegal to appear in any public place under the influence of alcohol to the degree that you may endanger yourself or other persons or property, or annoy others in your vicinity.

Driving Under the influence (DUI)
It is illegal for anyone under 21 to drive a vehicle with a blood alcohol content of .02 or higher, and it is illegal for those 21 or older to drive with a blood alcohol content of .08 or higher.

State College, PA Ordinances

Open Container Ordinance
It is illegal to have an open container of alcohol in any public parking log or public parking garage, public street, public sidewalk, public alley, or public park in State College.

Public Urination and Defecation Ordinance
It is illegal to urinate or defecate in/on a public place, private property where the public is admitted, or private property without consent of the owner. It is illegal to urinate or defecate in any public place other than in an appropriate sanitary facility or fail to clean, remove, or dispose of it properly.
Alcohol & Illegal Substance Policy
hfs.psu.edu/housing/housing-contracts/terms-and-conditions

Students who violate this policy will be referred to the Office of Residence Life, the Office of Student Conduct, and/or University Police. In addition to following State and local laws, it is important to remember:

- The possession or use of alcoholic beverages is prohibited in all Penn State on-campus undergraduate residence hall buildings including Nittany Apartments and Eastview Terrace for students of any age.
- It is a violation of state law and University policy for a student under 21 years of age to attempt to purchase, consume, possess, or transport alcoholic beverages. It is unlawful to see, furnish, or give to any minor, or permit that alcoholic beverages be sold, furnished, or given to any minor.
- It is against residence hall policy for there to be any tailgating activities in the residential quad areas or residence hall parking lots where alcoholic beverages are being served on any football game/event weekend including all home football games, Football Eve, 4th Fest, and the spring Blue and White Weekend. Student tailgating with alcoholic beverages in these defined areas will be confronted and will likely be charged with “open containers in an unauthorized area.”
- Residents will be held responsible for activities that occur in their rooms and will be referred to the Office of Residence Life, the Office of Student Conduct, and/or University Police if guests are violating the on-campus alcohol policies listed above.
- Failure to comply with the direction given by or the request to present identification to the University official acting in the performance of their duties is a violation of the Student Code of Conduct and will result in a referral to the Office of Residence Life or the Office of Student Conduct.
- It is against the Student Code of Conduct to supply false information, such as name and age to University officials who are performing their duties.

Illegal Substance

- It is a violation of state and University policy to illegally possess, use, distribute, manufacture, sell, or be under the influence of other drugs. Students who violate this policy will be referred to the office of Residence Life, the Office of Student Conduct, and/or University Police.
- It is against residence hall policy for a student to be in a residential area (room, common area, common building, building entryway, or quad area immediately adjacent to the residence halls) and in the presence of an illegal substance. Students who are in the presence of an illegal substance in these areas will be referred to the Office of Residence Life, the Office of Student Conduct, and/or University Police.

Alcohol Poisoning is a Medical Emergency.
Call for help. PHONE 911
You could save someone’s life

Know the signs:
- Passed out or difficult to wake
- Cold, clammy, pale, or bluish skin
- Slowed breathing
- Vomiting while asleep or awake

Know how to help:
- Turn a vomiting person on his or her side to prevent choking
- Clear vomit from the mouth
- Keep the person awake
- NEVER leave the person unattended

Plan ahead:
- Eat a full meal before going out
- Determine your limit in advance
- Drink a glass of water after every alcoholic drink
- Avoid drinking games
- Never drink and drive

Information provided by University Health Services, Health Promotion and Wellness: promotinghealth@psu.edu

Take the lead
Pennsylvania law provides immunity for an underage person who seeks help for a friend who has alcohol poisoning. When a person under 21 years old calls 911 to get help for a peer who needs immediate medical attention due to excessive alcohol consumption, the caller will not be charged with underage consumption or possession.

Penn State’s Responsible Action Protocol:
Students who contact the appropriate authorities (e.g., call 911, alert a Resident Assistant, contact the police) to help a peer suffering from alcohol poisoning or related problems will not face University judicial action for their own alcohol violations, unless they are responsible for other violations, such as vandalism or assault. These students will be required to complete an alcohol education program, but the fee will be waived.
ON & AROUND CAMPUS

Walking
University Park campus is a large place, and you’ll probably have classes spread out across campus. Even with the fifteen-minute period between classes, you may find yourself rushing to get from one end of campus to the other. See the campus map on pages 24 and 25 of Preface.

Pedestrian Safety
With passenger vehicles, buses, trucks and bicycles all sharing the roadway on campus, it is very important that you use crosswalks at designated intersections when attempting to cross campus streets. The following tips will help keep you safe when walking on campus:

• Cross only at crosswalks and never between parked or stopped vehicles, such as buses.
• Wait for a gap in traffic, then step off the curb or fully enter the crosswalk and make eye contact with approaching drivers. Never step off the curb into the path of a traveling vehicle.
• Look in all directions before entering the crosswalk.
• Watch for turning vehicles at intersections, even if pedestrians have the right-of-way.
• On streets with multiple lanes in each direction, be aware of what drivers in both near lanes are doing.

RideShare
catabus.com/ServiceSchedules/CATACOMMUTE/Rideshare
RideShare is an online, self-regulated program that matches individuals from the surrounding communities who share the same commute.

Local Buses (CATA)
catabus.com
myStop Mobile App
The Centre Area Transportation Authority (CATA) provides a number of bus services for those traveling to and through the University Park Campus. Frequent fare-free Downtown/Campus service is provided by the BLUE and WHITE LOOPS and cross-campus service (via Curtain Road) is provided by the RED and GREEN LINKs. Service is provided on these routes to practically all points on campus and nearby Downtown State College.

Service to and from the surrounding area is provided by CATA’s twenty-three additional CATABUS routes. These routes connect the campus with outlying communities like Boalsburg, Bellefonte, Pleasant Gap, etc. and with major shopping centers and businesses. Please visit catabus.com or refer to a current Ride Guide for route, schedule and fare ($1.75/trip) information.

Real-time bus information can be found at realtime.catabus.com. iPhone and Android apps are also available (search “my stop” on your device).

Bicycles
transportation.psu.edu
Bicycles are a great way to travel throughout campus but security is important to guard against theft. You should always secure your bike at a designated bike rack or storage area. Local law also requires all bikes to be registered to assist local authorities when bicycles are abandoned or when lost or stolen bikes are recovered. Penn State Transportation Services provides free online registration and permit mailing. Registration may also be completed at several local bicycle shops and at the State College Borough Police Department.

Skateboards, Scooters, Skates, and Similar Coasting Devices
The use of skateboards on campus is prohibited. Roller skates, in-line skates, scooters, sleds, and similar coasting devices are not vehicles and are prohibited on roadways. Persons on such devices are considered pedestrians for traffic control purposes and may be cited for applicable violations of the Pennsylvania Vehicle Code. Roller skates, in-line skates or scooters may be used on sidewalks, provided that users yield the right-of-way to pedestrians on foot.

Car or Motorcycle
transportation.psu.edu
Parking is very limited on campus and in the State College area, and students are encouraged to use other forms of transportation whenever possible. Only students who have completed at least 28 approved credits are eligible for resident or long-term storage parking on campus. Commuter parking is also available for all off-campus students who possess overnight parking at their residence, but wish to park on campus for class and other activities. Eligible students interested in campus parking must register for a student parking permit with the University Parking Office.
GETTING OUT OF TOWN

Buses
State College offers a variety of travel options available for trips outside of State College or a return to home. Companies like Greyhound, Fullington Trailways, and Megabus provide service from State College to cities including Philadelphia, Pittsburgh, New York City, Baltimore, and Washington DC. Greyhound and Fullington Trailways pick-up and drop-off at the bus station located close to campus on Atherton Street, across from the Walker Building. Megabus has a stop in the parking lot of the Walmart Shopping Center on North Atherton Street, approximately 2.5 miles from campus. Seats fill fast during peak travel times such as Fridays, holidays, and semester breaks, so reservations are recommended. Rates vary, so compare.

Fullington Trailways: 814-238-1100
tickets.fullingtontours.com
Greyhound: 814-238-7971
greyhound.com
Megabus: 877-462-6342
us.megabus.com

University Park Airport
universityparkairport.com
The University Park Airport (SCE) is located approximately six miles north of the campus. Commercial air service to and from the State College area is provided by American Airlines (800-428-4322) with daily non-stop service to Philadelphia International Airport and United Express (800-241-6522) with daily non-stop service to the Dulles International Airport at Washington, DC and Chicago O’Hare International Airport; Delta (800-225-2525) provides seasonal non-stop service to Hartsfield-Jackson International Airport in Atlanta and flies daily non-stop service to Detroit Metro Airport. Connecting flights are available from these 5 major hubs.

Trains
amtrak.com
Train travel isn't very convenient from State College, with the nearest stations at least 30 minutes away in Lewistown, Tyrone, Huntingdon, and Altoona. Transportation to and from these stations is not offered by CATA or the University.

Zimride
zimride.com/psu/
Penn State’s private ride-match network that matches you with other students, faculty and staff who are going the same way, allowing you an easy way to share a ride.

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The Daily Collegian
collegian.psu.edu
Published each weekday during the semester, this student-run newspaper is a source of world and local news, sports information, student editorial opinion, and special-interest stories. Breaking news stories and special promotions can also be accessed online, via the Collegian's website or the new mobile app. Students can directly connect with The Daily Collegian on Twitter (@DailyCollegian) and Facebook. The Daily Collegian is available at many University Park campus locations including the HUB.

Newspaper Readership Program
ewspapers.psu.edu
The Penn State Student Newspaper Readership Program provides daily newspapers to students. The program provides the New York Times, USA TODAY, and the Centre Daily Times. The program contributes to the general education goal of the University by providing a broad range of information and knowledge necessary to understand the world in which we live, and helps you acquire the skills vital to educated citizenship. Daily newspapers are available at vending machines throughout the campus at no additional charge with your Penn State id+ card.

Social Media
Follow Penn State's official social medial for information, events, alerts and more. You can find us on Facebook (pennstate), Twitter (@penn_state), Instagram (@pennstate), Pinterest (pennstate), and LinkedIn. Visit socialmedia.psu.edu for a full listing of all verified Penn State social media accounts from colleges, Commonwealth Campuses, and organizations.

Penn State Life App
Penn State Life connects University Park students, families, and visitors to events and programs through campus maps, schedules, checklists, and resources. Stay up-to-date with year-round guides that will enhance your campus experience. This free app can be downloaded in iTunes or in the Google Play Store.

Go out there and meet new people! There are so many amazing lessons and stories that you can learn when you meet people from all over the world. The knowledge that is shared among your peers will help you gain a different perspective on your life.

Taylor H.
Sophomore
Childhood & Early Adolescent Education
Levittown, PA
ANGEL
course management system (CMS) available for use by instructors, students, and staff (ANGEL will be replaced by Canvas in December 2017.)

ARHS — Association of Residence Hall Students
student representative body of all students living on-campus

Blue & White Loops
free CATABUS routes that run in a continuous loop around campus and the downtown State College

BJC — The Bryce Jordan Center
entertainment and athletic facility that hosts concerts and is home to Penn State men's & women's basketball

Canvas
new learning management system (LMS) that offers students and faculty ways to manage, navigate, and access their courses online

CAPS — Counseling and Psychological Services
free confidential services on a limited basis to students

CATA — Centre Area Transit Authority
local bus system that operates throughout campus and State College

CCSG — Council of Commonwealth Student Governments
student body government for all students living at or coming from a Penn State campus

HUB — Hetzel Union Building
home to several eateries, Wi-Fi, study areas, student clubs and activities, meeting spaces, the Penn State Bookstore, and art galleries

LionCash+
online, prepaid flexible spending account accessed by your Penn State id+ card. You can deposit money into your account, and you will be able to make purchases at participating on- and off-campus locations

LionPATH
student information system that will serve as your one-stop-shop to register, check grades, pay your bills, and more

OCSU — Off-Campus Student Union
representative body for students who live off-campus

OSC — Office for Student Conduct
office promoting a safe environment by holding students accountable to the Code of Conduct

Penn State Learning
trained peer tutors, an encouraging learning environment, and technology tools to enhance academic success

Penn State Life App
app connecting students, families, and visitors to events and programs through campus maps, schedules, checklists, and more

PRCC — Paul Robeson Cultural Center
programs and services that encourage the appreciation of diverse perspectives, experiences, and cultures, located in the HUB

RA — Resident Assistant
specially trained student employees of Residence Life's staff who live in your area

Rec Hall — Recreation Hall
home of many athletic events and a fitness center

Red & Green Links
free CATABUS route that runs in a continuous link between west campus and east campus

ResLife — Office of Residence Life
office creating high quality living-learning environments, programs and services for residence hall students

SPA — Student Programming Association
student organization providing entertainment, events, and diverse activities

THON — Penn State IFC/Panhellenic Dance Marathon
largest student-run philanthropic event raising funds and awareness for the fight against childhood cancer culminating in a no sitting, no sleeping, 46 hour dance marathon held every February

UHS — University Health Services
student health center offering medical services, prescriptions, testing, educational programs, scheduled and walk-in appointments

UPAC — University Park Allocation Committee
committee allocating a portion of the Student Activity Fee (SAF) income towards events, travel experiences, equipment, and more

UPUA — University Park Undergraduate Association
student government for the University Park Campus

Welcome Week
campus-wide programming designed to welcome students at the beginning of each semester

To get the most up-to-date version of Preface Magazine and the Welcome Week schedule go to your preferred app store and search “Penn State Life.” Open the app, enter “Penn State Preface 2017” in the “Find a guide...” section, and click “Download Guide.”
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