Penn State Altoona offers the appeal of a small, private college, with the name recognition and prestige of a major research university. Our goal is to help you reach your goals—educational, personal, and professional.

**ACADEMICS**

- **26** Associate and Bachelor’s degrees
- **11:1** Student to faculty ratio
- **289** Faculty members
- **60+** Clubs and organizations
- **42,000+** Altoona alumni
- **726,141** Alumni network ranked #1 by College Magazine
- **2,577** Undergraduate students
- **15:1** Student to faculty ratio
- **45 MILES SOUTH OF UNIVERSITY PARK** Located in Altoona, PA

**UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAMS**

- **ASSOCIATE**
  - Business Administration
  - Criminal Justice
  - Human Development and Family Studies
  - Multidisciplinary Studies
  - Science

- **BACCALAUREATE**
  - Accounting
  - Biology (includes general, ecology, and vertebrate physiology options)
  - Business (includes accounting, individualized, management and marketing, and entrepreneurship options)
  - Communications
  - Criminal Justice (includes bachelor of arts and bachelor of science options)
  - Cybersecurity Analytics & Operations
  - Electrical-Mechanical Engineering Technology
  - Elementary and Early Childhood Education (elementary teaching option)
  - English (available concentrations include creative writing and global narratives)
  - Environmental Studies (includes bachelor of arts and bachelor of science options)
  - History
  - Human Development and Family Studies (includes life span human services option)
  - Information Technology
  - Kinesiology (includes movement science, exercise science-business emphasis, and exercise science-science emphasis options)
  - Mechanical Engineering
  - Multidisciplinary Studies
  - Nursing
  - Psychology (includes bachelor of arts, bachelor of science-business, and bachelor of science-science options)
  - Rail Transportation Engineering
  - Security and Risk Analysis (includes Information and Cyber Security option)
  - Visual Art Studies

- **UNDERGRADUATE MINORS**
  - Biology
  - Chemistry
  - Communications
  - Criminal Justice
  - Dance Studies
  - Engineering Leadership Development
  - English
  - Entrepreneurship
  - Environmental Studies
  - Global Language and Culture
  - History
  - Human Development and Family Studies
  - Mechanical Engineering
  - Political Science
  - Professional Writing
  - Psychology
  - Sociology
  - Spanish
  - Women’s Studies

- **CAMPUS LOCATIONS**

  - **IVYSIDE CAMPUS**
    - 171.5 acres
    - Reflecting pond
    - All-purpose athletic fields
    - Turf soccer field with eight-lane track
    - 33 buildings
    - 4 residence halls
    - 43 acre seminar forest

  - **DOWNTOWN CAMPUS**
    - Devorris Downtown Center
    - Continuing Education and Training facility and offices
    - Classrooms and conference facilities

  - **AARON BUILDING**
    - Accounting and Business faculty
    - Communications suite
    - Nursing simulation labs
    - Dining Car Downtown
    - William J. Castle Executive Quarters and the Sutter Suites

  - **PENN BUILDING**
    - Offices, classrooms, lab space for the Accounting, Business, Rail Transportation Engineering, and IST programs

  - **KAZMAIER FAMILY BUILDING**
    - Development and Alumni Relations Office

  - **SHEETZ CENTER FOR ENTREPRENEURIAL EXCELLENCE**
    - Entrepreneurship program, Sheetz Fellows, and the Altoona LaunchBox supported by the Hite family

- PLUS THE FIRST 2 YEARS OF STUDY FOR NEARLY ALL OF PENN STATE’S 275+ MAJORS

- **53%** Male
- **47%** Female
- **AVERAGE AGE 19 YEARS OLD**
- **4.2%** International
- **6.1%** Black or African American
- **7.3%** Hispanic or Latino
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- **889** Students in on-campus housing
- **60+** Clubs and organizations
- **15 NCAA DIVISION III ATHLETIC TEAMS + CLUB TEAMS & INTRAMURALS**

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- **39 STATES AND 29 COUNTRIES**

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Penn State Altoona is an undergraduate college of Penn State, one of the nation’s largest and most widely recognized academic institutions. The campus enrolls nearly 2,600 students and offers twenty-one bachelor’s degrees. There are also five associate degrees along with the first two years of study leading to more than 275 baccalaureate majors offered throughout Penn State.

Penn State Altoona accepts students transferring from all Penn State campuses, community colleges, and other accredited colleges and universities.

Located in beautiful central Pennsylvania, Penn State Altoona's two campuses serve a growing and vibrant region. The 171-acre Ivyside campus includes a number of academic buildings, residence halls, an athletic complex and fields, and a reflecting pond (complete with ducks).

The dynamic Downtown Campus features labs for Rail Transportation Engineering, IST, and Nursing, along with a Communications suite an Entrepreneurship center, classrooms and offices supporting the college’s Accounting and Business programs, and the Office of Development and Alumni Relations.

**Housing & Food Services**

Penn State Altoona's four residence halls provide an on-campus living experience to nearly 900 students. A variety of off-campus living options are also available.

Port-Sky Café is where hunger is satisfied. The facility contains a food court with dozens of dining options, a coffee and baked goods center, and two spacious dining rooms.

Meal plans are available for students living both on- and off-campus.

**ROBERT E. EICHE LIBRARY**

Eiche Library offers a vast collection of textbooks, periodicals, leisure reading materials, DVDs, and CDs. There are printers, scanners, computers, and a photocopier available for use, plus electronic equipment such as still and video cameras, laptops, MacBooks, and iPads. There are also plenty of study rooms and individual study spaces.

**Outreach**

The Altoona LaunchBox supported by the Hite family is a no-cost accelerator and co-working space designed to provide early-stage startup companies with the support and resources needed to build and sustain a business. The LaunchBox is part of the Invent Penn State initiative.

The Sheetz Center for Entrepreneurial Excellence is where many of our business and entrepreneurship programs take place. The Center includes a mini-trade show room, a business incubator, classrooms, and conference rooms.

The Sheetz Fellows Program molds students to take on the world through mentoring, community service, internships, study abroad, and research. There are workshops, seminars, and professional development experiences, all designed to prepare students for leadership and citizenship.

The Misciagna Family Center for Performing Arts offers numerous cultural, performing, and visual art programs throughout the year for Penn State Altoona and the community. The Center includes a 400-seat theatre, a dance studio, costume and scene shops, art studios, and Mac computer labs. Additional events are hosted in the McLanahan and Sheetz Art Galleries and the Titelman Study.

The Center for Student and Civic Engagement provides opportunities for students to connect with each other and the community. Through the Center, students can join clubs and organizations, serve and lead the campus, and participate in different forms of civic engagement. Being involved means students actively engage themselves to become better citizens and make a difference.

**Out-of-Class Learning**

**What is Engaged Scholarship?** Engaged scholarship consists of out-of-classroom academic experiences that complement in-class learning.

**Study Abroad/Study Away**

Study abroad/study away programs provide opportunities for students to be challenged by learning in social and cultural environments very different from those in which they grew up and traditionally study.

**The Center for Community-based Studies**

The Center for Community-based Studies engages students in real-world problem-solving opportunities that tap the knowledge, skills, and perspectives they are developing in their academic studies.

**Internships**

Internships are vitaly important for today’s college students. Nine out of ten employers indicate that they are more likely to hire a recent college graduate if they had a successful internship; more than 40 percent of new college hires come directly from an employer’s internship pool.

**Undergraduate Research**

At Penn State Altoona, opportunities abound for students of all majors to participate in undergraduate research; many students begin their research experience in their freshman year.

Through these transformative out-of-the-classroom experiences, students receive personal attention from Penn State Altoona faculty, the opportunity to team with fellow students on short or long-term projects, and the chance to interact with faculty at other campuses, visiting scholars, and graduate/postdoctoral students. At other institutions of higher education, such personal mentoring from faculty is usually only available to senior graduate students; at Penn State Altoona, it is the norm.