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**

**ASSOCIATE DEGREES, BACHELOR’S DEGREES, AND MINORS**

- **45+ UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAMS**
- **2,991 UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS**
- **AVERAGE AGE 20 YEARS OLD**
- **54% MALE, 46% FEMALE**
- **13:1 STUDENT TO FACULTY RATIO**
- **311 FACULTY MEMBERS**
- **5.2% INTERNATIONAL**
- **6.7% AFRICAN AMERICAN**
- **4.9% HISPANIC AMERICAN**
- **3.8% ASIAN AMERICAN**

**ASSOCIATE**
- Business Administration
- Criminal Justice
- Human Development and Family Studies
- Letters, Arts, and Sciences
- Science

**BACCALAUREATE**
- Accounting
- Biology
- Business
- Communications
- Criminal Justice
- Environmental Studies
- History
- Human Development and Family Studies
- Integrative Arts
- Kinesiology
- Letters, Arts, and Sciences
- Mathematics
- Mathematics Applications
- Music Technology
- Political Science
- Psychology
- Sociology
- Spanish
- Theatre
- Women’s Studies

**UNDERGRADUATE MINORS**
- Accounting
- Biology
- Chemistry
- Communications
- Criminal Justice
- Dance Studies
- Economics
- English
- Entrepreneurship
- Environmental Studies
- Global Language and Culture
- History
- Human Development and Family Studies
- Mathematics
- Mathematics Applications
- Music Technology
- Political Science
- Professional Writing
- Psychology
- Sociology
- Spanish
- Theatre
- 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 & Training facility and offices
  - Classrooms & conference facilities
- AARON BUILDING
  - Business degree program offices
  - 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 Business, Rail Transportation Engineering, and Security and Risk Analysis degree programs and Enactus

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

**SHEETZ CENTER FOR ENTREPRENEURIAL EXCELLENCE**
- Entrepreneurship program and Sheetz Fellows

**STUDENT LIFE**

- **716 STUDENTS IN ON-CAMPUS HOUSING + MORE OFF-CAMPUS HOUSING LOCALLY**
- **60+ CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS**
- **15 NCAA DIVISION III ATHLETIC TEAMS + CLUB TEAMS & INTRAMURALs**
- **2,991 STUDENTS FROM 38 STATES AND 27 COUNTRIES**

**PART OF PENN STATE’S WORLD-WIDE 726,141 ALUMNI NETWORK RANKED #1 BY COLLEGE MAGAZINE**

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

**PENN STATE ALTOONA EST. 1939**

Located in Altoona, PA
45 miles south of University Park
Penn State Altoona is an undergraduate college of The Pennsylvania State University, one of the nation’s largest and most widely recognized academic institutions. The campus enrolls approximately 3,000 students and offers 24 majors. There are also 22 minors and five associate degrees along with the first two years of study leading to nearly 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, security technology, and nursing, along with a communication suite and an entrepreneurship center.

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 650-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 vitally 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 have had a successful internship; more than 70 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.

HOUSING & FOOD SERVICES

Penn State Altoona’s four residence halls provide an on-campus living experience to more than 100 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.

The library’s lower level is home to the Robert L. Smith Learning Center and the Writing Common, both providing peer and professional tutoring and other academic assistance.

STEVEN A. ADLER ATHLETIC COMPLEX

The recently renovated sporting complex includes two gymnasiums, a fitness center, a natatorium, and two multipurpose rooms for various recreation and wellness activities. It is also home to our kinesiology degree program.

Outdoor athletic facilities include a softball field, a baseball field, an all-purpose athletic field, tennis courts, and Spring Run Stadium, home to an eight-lane, all-weather track, a soccer field, and a 1,800-seat grandstand.

Homes include two gymnasiums, a fitness center, a natatorium, and two multipurpose rooms. The recently renovated sporting complex includes two gymnasiums, a fitness center, a natatorium, and two multipurpose rooms for various recreation and wellness activities. The library’s lower level is home to the Robert L. Smith Learning Center and the Writing Common, both providing peer and professional tutoring and other academic assistance.