

Penn State Harrisburg Visitor's Guide



Welcome to Our Campus

Penn State Harrisburg is situated on a suburban 218-acre campus just eight miles east of the capital city of Harrisburg. Our proximity to the state capital and other metropolitan areas offers you convenient career-building internships, research opportunities, networking, cultural, and other out-of-classroom experiences not available at many institutions.

And the campus is easily accessible by way of interstate highways, rail, bus, and airline.

The Educational Experience

You won't be in a class with hundreds of others at Penn State Harrisburg. Small class sizes and a faculty recognized both nationally and internationally for its teaching and research expertise make study at Penn State Harrisburg appealing. Student-to-faculty ratios are 17 to 1 at the undergraduate level and 10 to 1 at the graduate. And Penn State Harrisburg is student-focused, helping you find time to further your education with flexible scheduling, complemented by day and evening classes.

The Penn State Student

Students of all ages and cultures, part-time and full-time, resident and commuter, join together as a community of learners in a friendly, caring, and understanding atmosphere on our attractive campus.

The opportunity to work and study side-by-side with highly respected faculty experts, productive internship opportunities, and proximity to the state capital and the region's hub of business and commerce are among the strengths of study at Penn State Harrisburg. Part-time and full-time study, state-of-the-art technology, a strong research focus, and a spacious library complement highly respected instruction in the expanding list of undergraduate and graduate programs.

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Library

The most technologically advanced academic library in the region permits users to access books, journals, electronic databases, and the Internet from 92 percent of its 735 general public and group study seats. In addition, wireless networking is available throughout the three-story, 115,000-square-foot facility.



Student Housing

Resident students on campus are housed in an apartment-style complex. Seventy-two units to accommodate 300 students each feature four single bedrooms, two full bathrooms, a full kitchen, living area, and washers and dryers. Four units housing eight first-year students each also include a kitchen and dining area, living room, and bathrooms.

Swatara Building

The Swatara Building houses the Office of Enrollment Services, Office of Multicultural Recruitment and Community Affairs, bursar, financial aid, and Counseling and Disabilities Services.

Olmsted Building

Olmsted Building houses the majority of the classrooms on the Penn State Harrisburg campus. The building also features a number of study lounges, computer labs, and food service. Olmsted Building is the main academic and administrative hub of campus. Ziegler Commons, adjacent to Olmsted Building, provides outdoor space for dining, socializing, and performances.



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Food Service Facilities

Penn State Harrisburg offers two dining options for students, faculty, staff, and visitors in the first floor of the Olmsted Building. Stacks Market, a full-service food court with a brick oven, offers an extensive menu, a pizza station, grilled specialties, fresh pasta, soups and subs, healthy entrees, salads, daily specials, and desserts as well as grab-and-go items. Biscotti's Coffee Bar, just off the main lobby of Olmsted, is a great place for a quick snack or a beverage.

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Town Square

The Town Square in the first floor of the Olmsted Building includes offices for student government and clubs, housing and food services, student activities, the campus radio station, and a performance area.



Childcare Center

The Penn State Harrisburg Early Learning Center is operated by Hildebrandt Learning Centers. The Center provides a high-quality early childhood education for approximately 65 young children ages 6 weeks through 5 years. The Center is open to children of Penn State employees, faculty, and staff as well as families from the surrounding community. Care is provided year-round, Monday through Friday, from 6:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.



Educational Activities Building

The Educational Activities Building contains 10 classrooms, two technology rooms, and offices. The EAB is also home to the Office of Continuing and Distance Education.

Bookstore

The Penn State Harrisburg Bookstore sells new and used textbooks, school and office supplies, general books, computer software, snacks, greeting cards, Penn State clothing and gifts.

Capital Union Building

The Capital Union Building is home to intercollegiate athletics, numerous activities and intramural sports including racquetball, table tennis, volleyball, basketball, and aerobics. The first floor of the CUB is where the recreation/athletics office, gym, game room, physical fitness room, and racquetball courts are located. The multi-purpose room, weight room, Quiet Study Lounge, Student Center, and Wellness Center are on the second floor.

Indoor Pool

The 9,000-square-foot indoor aquatics facility adjacent to the Capital Union Building on campus features a six-lane pool and is designed to serve users of all ages.

Hoverter Tennis Complex

A gift to the college from the Lawrence L. and Julia Z. Hoverter Charitable Foundation, the Hoverter Tennis Complex provides a state-of-the-art recreational opportunity for the entire campus community. The complex of eight courts features an all-weather surface.



Science and Technology Building

The Science and Technology Building is the state-of-the-art home for the College's undergraduate major in Environmental Engineering and master's degree programs in Environmental Engineering and Environmental Pollution Control.



Church Hall

The Institute of State and Regional Affairs and four of its centers — the State Data Center, Center for Survey Research, Center for Geographic Information Services, and the Economic Development Research and Training Center — are located in Church Hall. It is also home to the offices of the Pennsylvania Recycling Markets Center supported by the state's Department of Environmental Protection.

Susquehanna Building

The Susquehanna Building houses Police Services, Vehicle Registration, Career Services, and Judicial Affairs.



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