

# USING THIS BULLETIN

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## Introduction

The Undergraduate Bulletin is Penn State's comprehensive source for undergraduate academic information and program requirements.

Use this section and navigation tools throughout the site to become familiar with general Bulletin information and discover new ways to explore academic opportunities across Pennsylvania and the world.

Students should follow the edition of the Bulletin that is active on their first day of class at the University. Past versions can be found on the Archive (<https://bulletins.psu.edu/undergraduate/archive/>) page.

## New Features

### Program Page Layout

- Consistent layout of program information organized within the following tabs:
  - Overview
  - How to Get In
  - Program Requirements (University Degree, Bachelor of Arts Degree, General Education, and Major requirements)
  - Integrated Undergrad-Grad Program
  - Learning Outcomes
  - Academic Advising
  - Suggested Academic Plan
  - Career Paths
  - Contact

### Begin and End Campus

At the top each program page, you will find a box that indicates where you can begin and end a program. Programs may have different begin and end campuses, so it is important to use this information to determine program availability at each campus.

### How to Get In

This section describes requirements on how to enter your major. Common examples include, but are not limited to, minimum GPA and/or successful completion of a skills test, coursework, or preparation programs.

### Suggested Academic Plan

The course series provided in the Suggested Academic Plan provides only one of many possible ways to move through the curriculum. To create a personalized academic plan, begin by taking the following steps:

- Consult with a Penn State academic adviser on a regular basis to develop and refine your academic plan.
- Use the Suggested Academic Plan in conjunction with your degree audit (accessible in LionPATH as either an *Academic Requirements* or *What If* report).
- Familiarize yourself with information available in this Bulletin to learn about academic opportunities.
- Explore resources available on your college and campus websites.

Please note that the University may make changes in policies, procedures, educational offerings, and requirements.

### Changes Page

- Real-time amendments to information in the Bulletin will be tracked on the Changes (p. ) page.
- Currently or previously enrolled students should consult the Bulletin Archive (<https://bulletins.psu.edu/undergraduate/archive/>), their adviser, and degree audit reports for specific requirements.

### Course Bubble

When a course link is clicked, a course bubble will appear with important course information including, but not limited to:

- course title, description, and credits;
- prerequisites;
- course attributes and General Education learning objectives;
- if the course is repeatable;
- if the course is cross-listed;
- if the course can be counted towards General Education requirements.

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