



Programs offered

UNIVERSITY PARK AND HERSHEY

- + B.S.N. (University Park)
- + M.S.N. Nurse Practitioner (advanced practice options in Family/Individual across the Lifespan, Adult Gerontology Primary Care, and Adult Gerontology Acute Care (Hershey))
- + B.S.N. to Ph.D. in Nursing
- + B.S.N. to Ph.D. in Nursing with concurrent M.S.N. Nurse Practitioner
- + Ph.D. in Nursing
- + Dual-title Ph.D. in Nursing and Bioethics
- + Dual-title Ph.D. in Nursing and Clinical and Translational Sciences
- + Post-graduate Nurse Practitioner certificate

OTHER PENN STATE CAMPUSES

- + RN to B.S.N. (six residential campuses)
- + B.S.N. (six campuses)
- + Second Degree B.S.N. (two campuses)
- + M.S.N. Nurse Practitioner (advanced practice options in Family/Individual across the Lifespan, Adult Gerontology Primary Care (five campuses))

WORLD CAMPUS/UNIVERSITY PARK (ONLINE)

- + RN to B.S.N.
- + M.S.N. (advanced role options for Nurse Educator and Nurse Administrator)
- + Doctor of Nursing Practice (D.N.P.)
- + Undergraduate certificates in Nursing Forensics, Nursing Informatics, and Nursing Management
- + Graduate certificates in Gerontology, Nurse Educator, Nurse Administrator, and Primary Palliative Care
- + Various continuing education opportunities

1964

Program established in the College of Health and Physical Education
- 22 students admitted

1968

First two students received B.S. degrees in Nursing

2013

School of Nursing becomes the **College of Nursing**

TOP 10

Nationally ranked online program: Penn State World Campus



Accreditation: Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education
B.S.N., M.S./M.S.N., D.N.P.

ALL

Full-time Ph.D. students are eligible for funding

Degrees awarded

BACCALAUREATE **597**

MASTER'S **64**

DOCTORAL **17**

data based on degrees conferred in summer 2019, fall 2019, and spring 2020

Faculty Profile

- 16** Tenured and Tenure-track
- 5** Clinical track
- 7** Research
- 87** Teaching
- 2** Endowed professors
- 11** Fellows in the American Academy of Nursing

Research Profile

Over \$17 million in research expenditures since the college's inception

Over \$8 million awarded for gerontology research

Over \$4 million awarded for the development of a sexual assault forensics training center (SAFE-T Center)

Approx. \$1.5 million awarded to support clinical and translational science

Enrollment

2,234 total enrollment

2,001 students enrolled in a baccalaureate program

1,290 students enrolled at a Commonwealth Campus

657 students enrolled at University Park

287 students enrolled in an online degree program

Based on fall 2020 official enrollment and includes pre-nursing students

Our Students By The Numbers



3.55-3.90

GPA RANGE OF UNIVERSITY PARK STUDENTS
general nurse option, first-year students, summer/fall 2020

3.07-3.60

GPA RANGE OF ALL OTHER CAMPUSES
general nurse option, first-year students, summer/fall 2020

1240-1410

RANGE OF SAT SCORES
UNIVERSITY PARK STUDENTS

(EVIDENCE-BASED READING AND WRITING + MATH)
general nurse option, first-year students admitted in summer/fall 2020



1080-1260

RANGE OF SAT SCORES
UNIVERSITY PARK STUDENTS
(EVIDENCE-BASED READING AND WRITING + MATH)
general nurse option, first-year students admitted in summer/fall 2020

13%
ACCEPTANCE RATE

general nurse option, first-year students admitted in fall 2019



93%
NCLEX PASS RATE
FIRST-TIME TEST TAKERS (2018)

Current Initiatives

Community Health Needs Assessment Alignment

The College of Nursing is prioritizing the health of our community by strategically focusing our teaching, research, and service on the medical needs identified by the community through surveys conducted at local medical facilities.

Center of Geriatric Nursing Excellence (CGNE)

The CGNE is a community of nurse educators, clinicians, and researchers whose leadership is actively improving health care for older adults in America.

Rural Care Delivery This program supports our mission of improving access to primary care by funding clinical experiences in rural and medically underserved areas for students in their final year of the Family Nurse Practitioner option.

Nursing Research Network The College of Nursing has received funding from the Patient-Centered Outcomes Research Institute to develop networks for community-based nursing research throughout Pennsylvania.

Person-Centered Care Collaboration The program established by the College of Nursing and the Polisher Research Institute in North Wales, Pennsylvania, will expand on the college's current focus on research in aging and person-centered care — a model of elder care that seeks to improve quality of life by focusing on the patient's own lifestyle preferences.

THON Medication Administration Under the supervision of nursing faculty, B.S.N. students enrolled in NURS 306 (Nursing Care of Children and Adolescents) administer medications for the dancers in the IFC/ Panhellenic Dance Marathon (THON) as part of their required clinical hours.

Age-Friendly Care, PA The College of Nursing is home to a collaborative for age- and dementia-friendly care called Age-Friendly Care, PA (AFCPA). AFCPA is a dedicated group of diverse professionals from different backgrounds working together to improve the lives of older adults in Pennsylvania, with special attention to older adults living in rural parts of our state.

Two-Step Delirium Identification Tool Supported by a grant from the National Institute on Aging, a four-year interprofessional project, "Researching Efficient Approaches to Delirium Identification," aims to improve the care of older adults by developing and testing a two-step bedside tool to detect delirium in hospitalized adults age 70 and older.

SAFE-T Center This project uses telemedicine technology to enhance access to sexual assault forensic exams in underserved populations. Through telemedicine (live-examination videoconferencing with high-resolution image display), the SAFE-T Center will improve the quality of services afforded to victims of assault in rural hospitals across Pennsylvania.

Penn State Employee Health and Wellness Center

The University launched a center that will provide walk-in service for minor illnesses requiring short-term treatment through a partnership between Penn State Health and the College of Nursing.

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