



PENNSYLVANIA STATE UNIVERSITY



COLLEGE of EDUCATION

+ FACTS

Undergraduate Programs

- **2,532** undergraduate students at 20 campuses, including University Park
- **23** teacher preparation areas leading to state certification at elementary and secondary levels
- Additional programs in Rehabilitation and Human Services, Workforce Education and Development, and Education and Public Policy
- Award-winning Professional Development School teacher preparation program (**4 major national awards** in the past 11 years)
- **550** student teachers placed in schools throughout Pennsylvania and beyond each year
- Outstanding success rates on Praxis standardized tests for educators
- Award-winning postgraduate programs
- **98** percent of graduates are employed or in graduate school within one year of graduation
- Starting salaries for College of Education graduates as high as **\$52,000** in Pennsylvania

Student Scholarships

*More than **\$1.58 million** in college and University scholarships awarded annually to undergraduate students*

Funded Research and Private Support

- More than **\$12 million** in externally funded grants and contracts in 2010–11
- An endowment whose market value exceeds **\$31 million**, part of the University's general endowment of **\$1.831 billion**
- Approximately **52,000** alumni

National Accreditations

- Fully accredited by all pertinent agencies, including NCATE, APA, NASP, CORE, and CACREP
- All of the college's professional education certification programs are approved by the Pennsylvania Department of Education.

Graduate Programs

All of the college's graduate programs that are ranked by *U.S. News & World Report* appear in the top 20, with six in the top 10. As a whole, the college is ranked 26th.

- **Workforce Education and Development**—no. 1
- **Higher Education Administration**—no. 4
- **Rehabilitation Counseling**—no. 4
- **Student Counseling/Personnel Services**—no. 6
- **Administration/Supervision (Educational Leadership)**—no. 7
- **Educational Psychology**—no. 8
- **Education Policy**—no. 10
- **Curriculum and Instruction**—no. 14
- **Elementary Education**—no. 14
- **Secondary Education**—no. 17
- **Special Education**—no. 17

- The College of Education is a major center of graduate education at Penn State with **1,123** students
- **161** international graduate students from **21** countries
- **14** fields of study leading to master's and doctoral degrees
- Graduate fellowships and assistantships support many incoming and continuing graduate students
- **4** master's degrees and **9** post-baccalaureate certificates available via Penn State World Campus

Renowned Faculty

- Faculty members serve as members of numerous private and government panels, governing boards for state and national organizations, and editorial boards for major journals—one of many criteria for national rankings
- **16** Fulbright Awards in the last 6 years
- **8** Spencer Fellowships
- Editorial responsibilities for more than **30** major journals in education, including editorships of the following:

American Journal of Distance Education
American Journal of Education
Career Development Quarterly
Comparative Education Review
Journal of Counseling & Development
Journal for Research in Mathematics Education
Journal of Research in Rural Education
Journal of Teacher Education
Learning and Instruction
Learning Disabilities Research & Practice
Rehabilitation Education
Science Education

The college is involved in a number of initiatives and programs that advance both education research and practice.



Research

Center for the Study of Higher Education

The center engages researchers, practitioners, and policy leaders in examining significant issues of practice and policy confronting higher education at the campus, state, national, and international levels.

Krause Innovation Studio

This new initiative focuses on research and development around innovative technology-supported pedagogy in higher education. The largest gift ever to the college—\$6.5 million from Gay and Bill Krause—allows faculty to draw upon emerging technologies to transform their teaching and scholarship.

Adult and Family Literacy

Both the Goodling Institute for Research in Family Literacy and the Institute for the Study of Adult Literacy provide national leadership to improve literacy education through research and its application to practice and professional development.

Mid-Atlantic Center for Mathematics Teaching and Learning

The Mid-Atlantic Center, funded by the National Science Foundation, is increasing the number of Ph.D.'s in mathematics education and conducting research into the teaching and learning of mathematics.

American Journal of Education

AJE's editorial home is the Department of Education Policy Studies. This journal is considered one of the most important sources of research papers on education. A recent survey placed AJE among eleven core academic journals with "demonstrated impact."

Institute for Research in Training and Development

The institute works with Penn State Outreach to provide research and outreach programs to support workforce training and development in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, as well as nationally and internationally.

Academic Programs

Professional Development Schools (PDS)

This teacher preparation partnership with the State College Area School District has won four major national awards in the past ten years—most recently the 2011 Spirit of Partnership Award, given by the University of South Carolina's PDS National Conference Planning Team.

Distance Education Programs

Penn State World Campus offers fourteen high-quality online master's degree and certificate programs, including a graduate certificate in children's literature, to help teachers achieve their career goals.

Humphrey Fellowship Program

This program, funded by the U.S. Department of State, enables midcareer educational leaders from around the world to develop leadership skills in education.

American Indian Leadership Program

This program, the longest-running program of its type in the United States, helps American Indians/Alaskan Natives prepare for leadership positions in educational organizations.

Applied Behavior Analysis

Winner of an Outstanding Credit Program Award from the Association for Continuing Higher Education, this master's-level program helps caregivers prepare to work with people with autism and related disorders.

Joint Degree Programs in Law and Education Policy Studies

Students work concurrently toward two degrees: a juris doctor and an advanced degree in one of four education policy studies programs.

Outreach

Center for Science and the Schools (CSATS)

A University-wide initiative housed in the College of Education, the center is devoted to professional development and outreach in science education in the K–12 schools of Pennsylvania and beyond.

Aerospace Education Services Project

This \$27.3 million project with NASA provides professional development and other services to teachers throughout the United States. Education specialists work with schools to infuse cutting-edge science content into extended instructional units.

LifeLink PSU

This collaborative partnership with the State College Area School District provides an enrichment program with age-appropriate peers for special-needs students.

Diversity Programs for High School Students

The Penn State Educational Partnership Program (PEPP) is a well-established after-school tutoring program for middle and high school students in urban areas. The Summer College Opportunity Program in Education (SCOPE) is a summer residential program designed to raise the achievement and aspirations of high school students from urban areas.

Professional Personnel Development Center

The PPDC offers career development opportunities for Pennsylvania citizens who wish to teach in occupational or technical training programs.

For information on these programs and more, visit: www.ed.psu.edu

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