STUDENTS BY THE NUMBERS

With more than 5,600 undergraduates and nearly 850 graduate students, the College of the Liberal Arts is one of the largest colleges at Penn State. Our 24 departments offer 50 undergraduate majors, and many students choose multiple majors in liberal arts and in other disciplines such as business, engineering, communications, or information sciences and technology.

LEADERS IN DIVERSITY

The College of the Liberal Arts attracts the most diverse student body at Penn State University Park. Forty percent of enrolled students (undergraduate and graduate) identified as a member of a minority group (vs. thirty-six percent campus wide).

ENRICHMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Every year, alumni provide financial support to hundreds of students participating in enhanced learning opportunities offered through the college’s Career Enrichment Network donors or provide career advice to students through our Alumni Mentor Program.”
FINANCIAL NEED

Nearly two-thirds of our undergraduate students receive financial aid through a combination of alumni-supported and private scholarships, state and federal grants, and student loans.

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CROSS-DISCIPLINARY EXCELLENCE

The College of the Liberal Arts is home to 20 cross-disciplinary centers that promote scholarly collaboration, outreach, and student engagement. The centers are equipped with the resources to bring their research and scholarship into the public domain, helping to inform practitioners and policy makers well beyond Penn State.

NATIONAL LEADERSHIP

National Research Council rankings place the College of the Liberal Arts among the nation’s leading institutions for scholarship in the social sciences and humanities.

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