ADMITTED STUDENT PACKET

2019-20
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Congratulations on your admission to Portland State University!

All of us in the Office of Admissions and the PSU community are excited that you have been admitted to study in Portland, one of the most livable, safe and vibrant cities in the nation. The faculty and staff at PSU are dedicated to your academic and personal success; the average freshman class size is 24 and the student to faculty ratio is just 18:1. As soon as you step on campus you will see why Portland is one of the top U.S. destinations for students, tourists, entrepreneurs andfoodies alike.

You are about to embark on an amazing journey and we’ve put together this welcome packet to help make that journey as smooth as possible. There are important details you need to be aware of, so read everything in this packet.

You will receive additional information and reminders via email, and you will learn even more during New Student Orientation.

Once again, congratulations on being admitted into Portland State University!

Sincerely,

Eki Yandall
Director of Domestic Recruitment
Office of Admissions
Portland State University
Welcome to PSU! Incredible opportunities lie ahead for you, and I am thrilled that you are considering Portland State as the launch pad for a rewarding, successful life. Keep reading to learn more about what awaits you at the best urban research university in Oregon.

As some of you know, PSU is located smack in the middle of downtown Portland, a remarkable city known for Powell’s Books, Voodoo Doughnuts, bike paths and lively neighborhoods. Portland has earned a reputation as one of the most livable cities in America. Our campus is part of the city’s fabric, giving you direct access to the internships, research opportunities, service learning and professional contacts that will shape your future.

PSU educates more than 27,000 students a year. They come to our classrooms, laboratories and studios in pursuit of better lives. We serve more first-generation students, more students of color, and a higher percentage of women than any other public university in Oregon. Our collaborations with leading research institution Oregon Health & Sciences University and countless other civic and educational partners create amazing learning opportunities for our students. U.S. News & World Report recently named PSU one of the nation’s most innovative universities—an honor that puts us among some of the biggest names in higher education. The honor recognizes our excellent faculty, who are constantly finding new ways to teach the knowledge and skills that today’s students need to be successful.

PSU innovates outside the classroom, too. We are work to keep the cost of a college degree as affordable as possible. PSU is dedicated to providing a college education to students from all walks of life. That’s why we offer programs like Four Years Free and participate in the Western Undergraduate Exchange (WUE). We’re the most affordable public research institution in the state with a location that gives our students unmatched access to internships and job opportunities.

College will be the best investment you ever make. At PSU, we measure our success by our graduates, who go on to invent technology at Intel, design shoes at Nike, travel the world with Mercy Corps and win the Pulitzer Prize. There is no question that PSU students help power the innovation economy. Forbes Magazine named Portland number one in its ranking of best places for business and careers. Our graduates already know that Portland is an ideal place to build a business and launch a career. More than 100,000 of them live and work in Metro Portland.

As you explore your options, I urge you to take a close look at the exceptional educational opportunities at Portland State University. This is your chance—your time—to do something great. I can’t wait to see how you will put your PSU degree to work.

Sincerely,

Dr. Rahmat Shoureshi, President
NEW STUDENT CHECKLIST

go.pdx.edu/checklist

There are a few steps you need to take before you begin school at PSU. Review and complete the items below as soon as you can!

*Required for enrollment at PSU

☐ Set up your PSU student account and PSU email* oam.pdx.edu/AccountPickup

☐ Check your @pdx.edu email regularly

☐ Confirm your enrollment at PSU go.pdx.edu/confirm

☐ Apply for financial aid and scholarships pdx.edu/finaid

☐ Sign up for an Admitted Student Reception** go.pdx.edu/asr

☐ Sign up for and attend New Student Orientation* pdx.edu/undergraduate-admissions/orientation

☐ Register for classes* (You will do this at New Student Orientation.)

☐ Submit your Campus Housing Contract by May 1 pdx.edu/housing/contract

☐ Review and accept your financial aid and scholarship awards pdx.edu/finaid

☐ Submit the PSU Health Insurance waiver or get automatically enrolled in the PSU Health Insurance Plan* pdx.edu/shac/insurance

☐ Submit MMR Vaccine Requirement Form* pdx.edu/shac/measles

☐ Set up your payment plan and refund preference with Student Financial Services pdx.edu/student-financial/new-student-checklist

☐ Send final high school or college transcripts by August 1*

☐ Take part in Viking Days pdx.edu/undergraduate-admissions/viking-days

**We host Admitted Student Receptions in March and April for students admitted for the following fall term.
Every year we host optional Admitted Student Receptions to celebrate your admission to PSU. This event is for you and your family to learn more about next steps for enrollment, financing your education, campus housing and more. Students are invited to all receptions no matter where you live—choose the one most convenient for you. Sign up here: go.pdx.edu/asr

**ON CAMPUS**

**SATURDAY, MARCH 23**
Portland, OR

**OFF CAMPUS**

**SATURDAY, MARCH 2**
Honolulu, HI

**SATURDAY, MARCH 9**
Seattle, WA

**SUNDAY, MARCH 10**
East Bay, CA

**SUNDAY, MARCH 17**
Los Angeles, CA

**SUNDAY, MARCH 24**
Medford, OR

**SATURDAY, MARCH 30**
Westminster, CO

**SUNDAY, MARCH 31**
Las Vegas, NV

**SATURDAY, MARCH 16**
San Diego, CA

**SATURDAY, APRIL 6**
Boise, ID

**SATURDAY, APRIL 6**
Corvallis, OR
NEW STUDENT ORIENTATION

At New Student Orientation you will register for your first term of classes, explore campus, learn about student services, and connect with faculty, staff and future classmates. You must confirm your enrollment prior to signing up for Orientation. All new undergraduate students are required to complete New Student Orientation. Contact orientation@pdx.edu for questions.

SIGN UP FOR ORIENTATION

go.pdx.edu/orientation

When you sign up for orientation, you will only see sessions that you are eligible to attend. As soon as you sign up you’ll receive an email in your @pdx.edu inbox with specific details about your orientation session. You will need to complete the Math Placement Exam if your major requires it.

BEFORE YOU ARRIVE AT ORIENTATION

• Send official transcripts that reflect courses taken at other institutions since you were admitted to PSU, and AP or IB examinations.
• Review PSU’s Core Curriculum requirements on page 16.
• Plan your trip to campus: pdx.edu/undergraduate-admissions/plan-your-travel-to-orientation.

WHAT TO BRING TO ORIENTATION

• Government-issued ID, such as your driver’s license or passport
• PSU Student Account username and password
• Laptop, tablet or mobile device to be used for course registration
• All unofficial transcripts that reflect courses taken at other institutions since admission
• Comfortable walking shoes
• Rain jacket/umbrella

All communications from PSU about orientation, including confirmation emails and reminders, will be sent to your @pdx.edu email account. Remember to check it regularly at mail.pdx.edu.
ESTIMATED COSTS

ANNUAL TUITION, FEES AND ESTIMATED LIVING EXPENSES*
go.pdx.edu/paying-for-college

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OTHER COSTS

Health Insurance
PSU requires that all students enrolled in five or more credits per term maintain comprehensive health insurance to ensure that students stay healthy and in the classroom. The PSU Health Insurance Plan is major medical health insurance providing preventative, routine and specialized health benefits. Students who do not apply to waive it are automatically enrolled and billed $875 per term*. Those who have comparable outside health insurance can apply to waive the PSU Health Insurance Plan.

Enrollment Confirmation Deposit  go.pdx.edu/confirm
Payment of a $200 nonrefundable tuition deposit is the first step in the enrollment process for newly admitted students. It is required for students to register for New Student Orientation, secure a PSU ID card and register for classes. The tuition deposit will appear as a credit on your first tuition bill. Financially eligible students are exempt from paying the $200 tuition deposit, but must still confirm they are coming to PSU prior to signing up for Orientation (see below for eligibility requirements).

Application Fee Deferral
If you selected Fee Deferral as your payment option when you applied to PSU, you will be assessed the $50 fee on your bill for the first term of your enrollment at PSU.

PAYMENT POLICY
All students registered for courses are required to pay the associated fees for those classes. Full payment of tuition, housing and other outstanding fees must be paid by the 6th of the month at the start of each term. If payment in full is not received by the 6th of the first month of the term, and the student is not already enrolled in the payment plan, a $100 late fee will be applied on the account the next day and the account will be automatically enrolled in the payment plan. If the student’s account is enrolled in the payment plan but the outstanding installment is not paid by the due date, the $100 late fee will be applied the next day.

PAYMENT PLAN & METHOD
Pay your tuition in three monthly installments throughout the term. For more details visit: pdx.edu/student-financial/the-psu-payment-plan. Students have three options for paying their tuition and fees:

- In Person: pdx.edu/student-financial/in-person-payment-option
- Online: pdx.edu/student-financial/online-payment-option
- By Mail: pdx.edu/student-financial/by-mail-payment-option

*Costs based on 2018-19 figures.
PSU offers many scholarship and financial aid opportunities for in-state and out-of-state students. Once you apply for financial aid and scholarships, there are several other things you’ll need to do to manage your application and maintain your eligibility to receive financial aid.

1. Check your PSU Student Account at [my.pdx.edu](http://my.pdx.edu) to see if additional documents are needed to process your financial aid award.
2. Log in to your PSU Student Account at [my.pdx.edu](http://my.pdx.edu) and accept your award(s). Financial Aid award letters will be sent out in March.
3. Set up your refund preference with the Student Financial Services Office at [pdx.edu/student-financial/refunds](http://pdx.edu/student-financial/refunds).
4. If you’re taking out a student loan, sign a federal direct student loan Master Promissory Note or complete new borrower entrance counseling.

Each term, you’ll need to maintain eligibility for your financial aid. This includes making sure your enrollment level matches your financial aid award level, maintaining a minimum GPA, revising your enrollment plan with the Office of Student Financial Aid and Scholarships if you’ll be attending less than full time, and maintaining satisfactory academic progress toward your degree.
HEALTH INSURANCE

dpx.edu/shac/insurance

The Center for Student Health and Counseling (SHAC) provides high quality, accessible mental health, physical health, dental and testing services targeted to the needs of the PSU student population.

PSU requires that all students enrolled in five in-load, non-Restricted Differential Tuition credits or more per term maintain comprehensive health insurance to ensure that students stay healthy and in the classroom. The PSU Health Insurance Plan is major medical health insurance providing preventative, routine and specialized health benefits. Students are automatically enrolled and billed the $875* per term. However, those who have comparable outside health insurance can apply to waive the PSU Health Insurance Plan.

STUDENT HEALTH FEE
All PSU students taking five or more credit hours** also pay the non-waivable Student Health fee of $149* each term (different than the PSU Student Health Insurance Plan) which gives you access to the health, counseling, and dental services provided at the Center for Student Health and Counseling. All PSU students are able to use Testing Services.

HOW TO ENROLL
To enroll in the PSU Health Insurance Plan, no action is required. Students registered for five or more credit hours will be automatically enrolled and charged $875* per term. If students choose to keep the PSU Health Insurance Plan they will be automatically enrolled and the plan will auto-renew each academic year in fall term as long as the student is registered for five or more credit hours.

HOW TO WAIVE
If you have health insurance coverage through a comparable plan and do not require coverage through the PSU Student Health Insurance Plan, you must apply online for a health insurance waiver before the quarterly deadline. If you do not submit your waiver prior to the deadline, your student account will be charged $875* for the term. Students who waive out of the PSU Student Health Insurance Plan must resubmit the online insurance waiver application each academic year in the fall (or the first term eligible). Waiver deadline reminders will be sent to students’ @pdx.edu email address.

*Costs based on 2018-19 figures.
**Dental services are available to all students taking one or more credit hours per term.
Portland State’s residence halls are more than just buildings; they are communities. Our urban campus houses nearly 3,000 students from all different backgrounds and cultures. There are many opportunities for all of our residents to get involved in their residence hall community by joining their hall council (student government), attending social, educational and multicultural programs, or by stopping in to our in-hall academic support centers. Learn more at pdx.edu/housing. Housing contract priority deadline: May 1

WHY LIVE ON CAMPUS?

pdx.edu/housing/contract

We know from years of analysis that first year students who live on campus perform better in the classroom. They have higher GPAs, greater retention, and graduate at a faster pace than peers who live off campus.

HELP WHEN YOU NEED IT

University Success is an in-hall academic support hub for students living in University Housing & Residence Life.

SERVICES INCLUDE:

• Computer work station with free printing
• Study lounge with a cozy couch and round tables
• Classroom space for group study and presentation practice
• Writing support, academic career advising, and counseling
• Academic coaching
• Academic incentives, including the 3.0 Club and Study Bucks

SOCIAL LIFE

Being a part of the residential community is awesome. University Housing and Residence Life has many ways for you to get involved!

• Viking Week Welcome
• Timbers & Trailblazers Games
• Movie Nights
• Haunted House
• Multnomah Falls Hikes
• Oregon Coast Trips
• Bike Portland

UNIQUE LIVING

Students living on campus at PSU enjoy many amenities not available at other colleges!

• Private bathrooms & kitchens for most residents including first year students!
• Live in the heart of Downtown Portland
• Take the Portland Streetcar for free! Pick it up right outside your door!
Campus residents have many options when it comes to dining on campus. The most popular dining commons is Victor’s, which is located on the first floor of the Ondine Residence Hall. Victor’s offers fresh, buffet-style meals. All first year students living on campus are required to register for a meal plan. Learn more: pdx.edu/housing/dining

Smith’s Kitchen and Smith’s Place are located on the first floor of the Student Union. You will find Portland local favorites here including:

- Peet’s Coffee
- Smith Tea
- Salt & Straw Ice Cream

Handcrafted sandwiches from Butcher & Baker are also available, as well as an assortment of made-to-order food! Walk in, bike up and chill out at The Meetro located in King Albert Residence Hall. The Meetro is a culinary celebration of Bashas Mediterranean Cuisine. You can also hop over to Branford’s Bean and recharge during a study session with Peet’s Coffee and grab-and-go sandwiches and pastries located in the Millar Library. And, of course, our urban location provides endless opportunities for eating at nearby food carts and restaurants.
CLIMATE AND CLOTHING

Portland is sunny and warm in the summer and cool and rainy (and sometimes snowy) the rest of the year. You should plan ahead to have clothing that is appropriate for the weather. It’s important to have a good raincoat and an umbrella.

**Summer (June to August)**
High temperatures are usually between 75° and 80°. Summer clothing attire is for hot weather and a light jacket can be worn for cooler evenings.

**Fall (September to November)**
High temperatures are usually between 53° and 63°. In October, days tend to be mild and partly sunny. As the weather starts to cool, rain becomes more common. Fall clothing is usually layers and a rain jacket.

**Winter (December to February)**
High temperatures are usually between 45° and 51°. By December, temperatures could drop to freezing. We may get snow for a few days. It is necessary to have warm clothing and a winter coat.

**Spring (March to May)**
High temperatures are usually between 56° and 67°. Spring days often start rainy then end up with blue skies and sun. Spring clothing is usually layers and a rain jacket.

TRANSPORTATION OPTIONS

Portland is routinely ranked among the best transit cities in the United States. TriMet is Portland’s public transportation system. TriMet consists of bus, MAX train, Streetcar (free with a PSU ID) and WES Commuter Rail.

PSU offers discounted TriMet transit passes through our Transportation and Parking Services. Transportation and Parking Services also sells parking permits for the parking garages on campus and bike parking permits for the bike garages. Pricing can be found at [pdx.edu/transportation](http://pdx.edu/transportation).

Biketown is Portland’s city-wide bike share system. PSU students receive free memberships through [biketownpdx.com](http://biketownpdx.com). You will see the orange bike stations around Portland.
At Portland State you’ll discover a campus storied with people who’ve traveled a few bus stops or a few airports to get here. As a PSU student, you get to eat, study, play, and learn beside people from 90 countries and all 50 U.S. states. Get together with friends and start exploring all our campus life has to offer.

- Jobs and Internships
- Student Government
- Student Leadership
- Student Clubs & Groups
- Advising & Career Services
- Student Health & Counseling
- Campus Recreation
- Outdoor Program
- Intramural Sports
- 15 Division I Sports Teams
- Multicultural Retention Services
- Cultural & Resource Centers
- Diversity & Multicultural Student Services
CULTURAL RESOURCE CENTERS
The Cultural Resource Centers (CRCs) provide students resources, leadership, employment, and volunteer opportunities.
- La Casa Latina Student Center
- Multicultural Student Center
- Native American Student and Community Center
- Pacific Islander, Asian and Asian American Student Center
- Pan-African Commons

DISABILITY RESOURCE CENTER
The Disability Resource Center works to make university life accessible to students with disabilities. They identify, evaluate, and reduce or eliminate barriers to student access and equity. They foster community and create opportunities to promote disability culture.

QUEER RESOURCE CENTER
The QRC offers resources and programming to support you throughout your time at PSU, including a cozy lounge area, computer workstations, LGBTQ lending library, and fun and positive vibes.

RESOURCE CENTER FOR STUDENTS WITH CHILDREN
The Resource Center for Students with Children supports students with children in achieving life-balance that helps them stay the course to successful completion of their academic goals.

VETERANS RESOURCE CENTER
The Veterans Resource Center serves as a baseline of support for student veterans, active duty service members and dependents in order to meet their unique academic, professional and personal needs.

WOMEN’S RESOURCE CENTER
Women’s Resource Center advocates for the best educational and campus experience for all members of our community. We accomplish this by advancing social justice, ensuring access to personal empowerment for students of all genders, and by working toward a safe and healthy campus.
ACADEMIC PROGRAMS
pdx.edu/academic-programs

A
Anthropology - M - m
Applied Health & Fitness - M
Applied Linguistics - M - m
Architecture - M - m
Art History - M - m - c
Art Practice - M
  Drawing/Painting/Printmaking - m
  Creative Industries - m
  Design Management (for non majors only) - m
  Photography - m
  Sculpture - m
  Time Arts - m
Arts & Letters* - M

B
Biology - M - m
Black Studies - M - m - c
Business - M - m
  Accounting - M - c
  Advertising Management - M - m
  Athletic & Outdoor Industry - c
  Entrepreneurship - c
  Finance - M
  Human Resources Management* - M
  International Business Studies - c
  Management & Leadership* M
  Marketing - M
  Social Innovation - c
  Supply & Logistics Management* - M

C
Chemistry - M - m
  Biochemistry - M
Chicano/Latino Studies - m - c
Child, Youth & Family Studies - M - m
Civic Leadership - m
Communication - M - m
  Advertising Management for Communication Majors - m
Community Development - M - m
Computer Science - M - m
Conflict Resolution - M - m
Creative Writing (BFA) - M
Criminology & Criminal Justice* - M - m - c

E
Earth Science - M
Economics - M - m
International Economics - m
Political Economy - m
Quantitative Economics - M

Education
Elementary Education - m
Special Education - M
Elementary Science Education - m
Pre-Teacher Education**

Engineering
  Biomedical Informatics - M
  Civil Engineering - M
  Computer Engineering - M
  Electrical Engineering - M - m
  Environmental Engineering - M - m
  Mechanical Engineering - M

English* - M - m
Environmental Science - M
Environmental Studies - M - m
  Climate Adaptation & Management - c
  Forest Ecology & Management - c
  Lake and Reservoir Management - c
  Sustainability - m

F
Film - M
  Film Studies - m
Food Industry Management - m

G
Geography - M - m
  Geographic Information Systems/Sciences - m
  Water Resources - m
Geology - M - m
  Computer Application - m
  Environmental Geology - m
  Space & Planetary Science - m
Graphic Design - M - m

H
Health Studies
  Aging Services - M - m
  Community Health Education - M - m
  Health Sciences - M
  School Health - M
History - M - m
  History and Philosophy of Science - m
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|                             | International Studies* - M |
|                             | African Studies - M - c  
|                             | East Asian Studies - M - c  
|                             | Contemporary Turkish Studies - c  
|                             | European Studies - M - c  
|                             | International Development - M  
|                             | Latin American Studies - M - c  
|                             | Middle East Studies - M - c  |
| J                           | Judaic Studies - M - m |
| L                           | Liberal Studies* - M |
| M                           | Mathematics - M - m  
|                             | Mathematics for Middle School Teachers - m  
|                             | Music - M - m  
|                             | Composition - M  
|                             | Education - M  
|                             | Jazz - M  
|                             | Jazz Studies - m  
|                             | Musicology/ Ethnomusicology - M  
|                             | Performance - M  
|                             | Music Production - M  
|                             | Theory - M  
|                             | Voice - M  |
| P                           | Philosophy - M - m  
|                             | Physics - M - m  
|                             | Biomedical Physics - M  
|                             | Environmental Physics - M  
|                             | Political Science - M - m  
|                             | International Development - M  
|                             | Law and Legal Studies - m  
|                             | Public Service - M  |
| Pre-Health**                | Pre-Chiropractic  
|                             | Pre-Clinical Laboratory Science  
|                             | Pre-Dental Hygiene  
|                             | Pre-Dentistry  
|                             | Pre-Medicine  
|                             | Pre-Naturopathic Medicine  
|                             | Pre-Nursing  
|                             | Pre-Occupational Therapy  

| M = Major  
| m = Minor  
| c = Certificate  

* Online Option Available  
** Pre-professional Pathway

| R                           | Real Estate Development - m |
| S                           | Science - M  
|                             | Sexuality, Gender, & Queer Studies - M - m  
|                             | Social Science* - M  
|                             | Social Work - M  
|                             | Sociology - M - m  
|                             | Speech & Hearing Sciences - M  |
| T                           | Teaching English as a Second Language - c  
|                             | Teaching Japanese as a Foreign Language - c  
|                             | Theater Arts  |
| U                           | Urban & Public Affairs* - M |
| W                           | Women’s Studies - M - m - c  
|                             | World Languages & Literatures  
|                             | Advanced Proficiency in Russian - c  
|                             | American Sign Language - m  
|                             | Arabic - M - m  
|                             | Chinese - M - m  
|                             | Classical Studies - m  
|                             | French - M - m  
|                             | German - M - m  
|                             | Italian - m  
|                             | Japanese - M - m  
|                             | Modern Hebrew - m  
|                             | Persian - m  
|                             | Russian - M - m  
|                             | Spanish - M - m  
|                             | Turkish - m  
|                             | Writing - m  |
When you applied to PSU you selected a major or Pathway. You will be assigned to an academic advisor from Advising Pathway for your major, see the full list of Pathways and the majors in each on the next page.

PSU’s Pathways group similar majors together based on common major-changing patterns, giving you the opportunity to stay with the same advisor and advising team as often as possible if you change your major.

Academic and career advisors understand what will help students be successful throughout their academic experiences at PSU. Your advisor can help you:

- Confirm your major choice and/or help you identify a major that suits your skills, values, interests, and goals
- Understand your graduation requirements and create a degree plan
- Access financial tools and resources and direct you to financial support services
- Explore careers (before you reach 90 credits, or during the first term, if you are a transfer student)
- Review your final graduation plan and apply for your degree
SOCIETY AND IDENTITY

In the Society and Identity Pathway, students think and learn critically about human behavior and social forces, with analysis of how people create, maintain, and are affected by definitions of race, gender, class, culture, disability and other social locations.

- Black Studies
- Child, Youth & Family Studies
- Indigenous Nations & Native American Studies
- Psychology
- Pre-Teacher Education
- Sexuality, Gender & Queer Studies
- Social Science
- Social Work
- Sociology
- Special Education
- Women’s Studies

URBAN, PUBLIC AND GLOBAL AFFAIRS

The Urban, Public, and Global Affairs Pathway invites students to explore the ways that urban planning, governance, public administration, economics, and international studies can create real impact in the daily lives of individuals and communities.

- Community Development
- Conflict Resolution
- Criminology & Criminal Justice
- Economics
- International Studies
- Political Science
- Pre-Law
- Quantitative Economics
- Urban & Public Affairs

BUSINESS

The Business Pathway believes in the potential of business leaders to courageously face today’s challenges and fearlessly change the world for the better. Through a combination of theoretical knowledge and practical application, students acquire skills in communication, sustainability, decision making, problem solving, and integrated learning so they can seamlessly move into the workplace and succeed.

- Accounting
- Advertising Management
- Finance
- Human Resource Management
- Management and Leadership
- Marketing
- Supply and Logistics

DESIGN, CREATIVITY, AND PERFORMANCE

The Design, Creativity, and Performance Pathway provides students with the opportunity to explore the many diverse ways to engage in a creative life. Students will be immersed in an environment of creative inspiration, interaction and study. They will develop their craft by building skills and techniques to deepen their engagement with their individual artistic practices.

- Architecture
- Art Practice
- Art History
- Film
- Graphic Design
- Music
- Theater Arts

LANGUAGE, CULTURE AND MEANING

The Language, Culture and Meaning Pathway invites students to explore the many ways in which humans communicate with one another, create unique cultures together, and formally document their life experiences. Through critical examination of the languages we speak, the cultures we construct, and the stories we tell, students will gain a deeper understanding and appreciation of the diverse ways in which the human condition is experienced, communicated and expressed.

- Anthropology
- Applied Linguistics
- Arts and Letters
- Communication
- Creative Writing
- English
- History
- Judaic Studies
- Liberal Studies
- Philosophy
- Speech and Hearing Sciences
- World Languages
  (Arabic, Chinese, French, German, Japanese, Russian, Spanish)

ENGINEERING, COMPUTER SCIENCE, MATH AND PHYSICS

Students in the Engineering, Computer Science, Mathematics, and Physics Pathway build a strong foundation in math and science, which will prepare them for a career of learning and invention.

- Biomedical Informatics
- Civil Engineering
- Computer Engineering
- Computer Science
- Electrical Engineering
- Environmental Engineering
- Mathematics
- Mechanical Engineering
- Physics

HEALTH, SCIENCE, AND THE EARTH

In the Health, Science, and the Earth Pathway, students work towards academic and career goals in natural and earth sciences, health occupations, and public health. Whether studying plant and animal life, molecules and chemical phenomenon, or the Earth’s environment (including water, climate, and natural hazards) and other planetary bodies, students will think critically about human interaction with the world around us.

- Applied Health and Fitness
- Biochemistry
- Biology
- Chemistry
- Earth Science
- Environmental Science
- Environmental Studies
- Geography
- Geology
- Health Studies: Aging Services, Community Health Education, Health Administration, Health Sciences, or School Health Education
- Pre-Health (Pre-Medicine, Pre-Nursing, Pre-Dental, etc.)
- Science
# CORE CURRICULUM

Portland State University’s nationally recognized approach to education is based on an extensive review of current research. Strong evidence shows that tightly structured clusters of courses with an interdisciplinary thematic approach help to create a more effective general education program. Students take mentored inquiry sections that extend throughout four years. The Honors College curriculum fulfills PSU’s general education and writing requirements and is for students who are interested in pursuing an academic plan that is more research- and writing-focused.

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<th>UNIVERSITY STUDIES</th>
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<td><strong>FIRST YEAR</strong></td>
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<td><strong>FIND YOUR COMMUNITY</strong></td>
<td>Form tight bonds with your classmates and peer mentor in a small, year-long class on a provocative theme.</td>
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<td><strong>EXPLORE YOUR INTERESTS</strong></td>
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<td><strong>CONNECT TO COMMUNITY PARTNERS</strong></td>
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<td><strong>CONNECT TO THE REAL WORLD</strong></td>
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CAMPUS BUILDINGS KEY

724 Harrison D5
Academic and Student Recreation Center C7
Art Building and Annex G8
Blackstone Residence Hall C4
Branford Price Millar Library D4
Broadway Residence Hall F6
Campus Public Safety B6
Robertson Life Sciences Building (see map inset)
Community Recreation Field D3
Cramer Hall B5
East Hall E6
Engineering Building F9
Fifth Avenue Cinema E7
Fifth Avenue Lot C8
Fourth Avenue Building D9
George C. Hoffmann Hall D2
Harder House A4
Harrison Street Building C3

Helen Gordon Child Development Center A1
Joseph C. Blumel Residence Hall B2
Karl Miller Center C6
King Albert Residence Hall C2
Kononia House B6
Lincoln Hall A5
Montgomery Residence Hall C4
Native American Student and Community Center G5
North Greenhouse C3
Ondine Residence Hall E7
Parking Structure One D6
Parking Structure Two B6
Parking Structure Three B1
Parkway Residence Hall A4
Peter W. Stott Center E4
PSU Bookstore B7
Research Greenhouse F4
Richard and Maurice Neuberger Center A9
Saint Helens Residence Hall B2
College of Education D9
Science Building One A3
Science and Education Center H8
Science Research and Teaching Center B3
Shattuck Hall and Annex E5
Simon Benson House C4
Smith Memorial Student Union C5
South Greenhouse C3
Stephen Eppler Residence Hall C2
Stratford Residence Hall A3
University Center Building D7
University Honors A2
University Place Hotel & Conference Ctr G10
University Pointe F7
University Services Building B6
University Technology Services H9
Urban Center Building B7
West Heating Plant E2

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