

BIOLOGY, B.S. (BEHREND)

Seven Penn State campuses are scheduled for closure after Spring 2027: DuBois, Fayette, New Kensington, Mont Alto, Shenango, Wilkes-Barre, and York. New students are not being admitted at these campuses.

Begin Campus: Any Penn State Campus

End Campus: Erie

Career Paths

Biology is among the most versatile of college majors and a jumping-off point for careers that can range from astrobiologist to microbiologist to zoologist. Whether you envision a career working with cancer cells or California condors, a Biology degree from Penn State Behrend can make that happen. Penn State Behrend has a comprehensive support system to help you identify and achieve your goals for college and beyond. Meet with your academic adviser often and take advantage of the services offered by the Academic and Career Planning Center beginning in your first semester.

Careers

Biologists are everywhere! Penn State Behrend biology graduates include bioforensic identification specialists, orthotists, research biologists, biophysicists, anesthesiologist, dentists, veterinarians, national park rangers, doctors, high school teachers, physician assistants, college professors, lawyers, and even a lead elephant zookeeper!

MORE INFORMATION ABOUT POTENTIAL CAREER PATHS FOR GRADUATES OF THE BIOLOGY PROGRAM (<https://behrend.psu.edu/school-of-science/academic-programs/biology>)

Opportunities for Graduate Studies

Biology is a common foundational major for graduate study in a specialized subdiscipline such as aquatic biology or genetics. Its broad diversity of experiences make it a popular undergraduate major for future medical doctors, veterinarians, physician assistants, and other health-care professionals. Penn State Behrend offers numerous pre-health profession options within its degree program, including 3+4 and early admissions programs.

MORE INFORMATION ABOUT OPPORTUNITIES FOR GRADUATE STUDIES (<https://behrend.psu.edu/school-of-science/academic-programs/biology>)

Professional Resources

- American Institute of Biological Sciences (<https://www.aibs.org>)
- American Society for Cell Biology (<https://www.ascb.org/>)
- American Society for Microbiology (<https://www.ascb.org/>)
- American Society of Human Genetics (<https://www.ashg.org/>)
- Entomological Society of America (<https://entsoc.org>)
- National Association of Biology Teachers (<https://nabt.org>)
- Society for the Study of Evolution (<https://www.evolutionsociety.org>)