

PHYSICS, 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

The U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics predicts physics careers will have higher than average job growth in the next decade. Undergraduate research and internships offer Behrend physics students opportunities to integrate academic study with professional experience. To tailor your degree to your career interests, you'll study one of two options, General Physics and Computational Physics. 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

Physics is a discipline without limits. Penn State Behrend B.S. in Physics graduates are working in careers as diverse as laser-light design for major concert and theatre productions to radiation damage research at Los Alamos National Laboratories to component design engineering at Rolls-Royce.

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

Opportunities for Graduate Studies

Physics is a common foundational major for graduate study. Penn State Behrend Physics graduates have pursued advanced degrees in physics, astronomy, materials science, materials engineering, bioengineering, electrical engineering, and secondary education.

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Professional Resources

- Institute of Physics (<https://www.iop.org>)
- American Institute of Physics (<https://www.aip.org>)
- American Physical Society (<https://www.aps.org/>)