

PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS ENGINEERING, B.S.

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: University Park

Suggested Academic Plan

The suggested academic plan(s) listed on this page are the plan(s) that are in effect during the 2026-27 academic year. To access previous years' suggested academic plans, please visit the archive (<https://bulletins.psu.edu/undergraduate/archive/>) to view the appropriate Undergraduate Bulletin edition.

Petroleum and Natural Gas Engineering, B.S. at University Park Campus

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First Year

Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
MATH 140 or 140G (GQ) ^{†‡†}	4 MATH 141 or 141G (GQ) ^{†‡†}	4
CHEM 110 (GN) ^{‡†}	3 ENGL 15, 30H, or ESL 15 (GWS) ^{††}	3
CHEM 111 (GN) [†]	1 CHEM 112 [*]	3
EMSC 100S (or CAS 100 by substitution) (GWS) ^{††1}	3 PHYS 211 (GN) ^{‡†}	4
ECON 102 (GS) [†]	3 General Education Knowledge Domain	3
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	17	17

Second Year

Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
PHYS 212 (GN) ^{‡†}	4 EME 200 (SPRING ONLY)	3
EMCH 210	5 EME 210	3
MATH 251	4 PNG 305 (SPRING ONLY)	3
CMPSC 204	3 MATH 220	2
	MATH 231	2
	PHIL 103, 106, 107, or 233 (GH) [†]	3
	16	16

Third Year

Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
PNG 406 (FALL ONLY) [*]	1 PNG 440W (Writing across the curriculum) (SPRING ONLY)	3

PNG 410 (FALL ONLY) [*]	3 PNG 420 (SPRING ONLY) [*]	3
EME 301 (FALL ONLY) [*]	3 PNG 450 (SPRING ONLY) [*]	3
EME 303 [*]	3 PNG 451 (SPRING ONLY)	1
GEOSC 1	3 GEOSC 454 (SPRING ONLY)	3
General Education Knowledge Domain	3 General Education Knowledge Domain	3
General Education Health and Wellness (GHW)	1.5	
	17.5	16

Fourth Year

Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
ENGL 202C (GWS) ^{††}	3 PNG 460 (SPRING ONLY)	3
PNG 430 (FALL ONLY)	3 PNG 482 (SPRING ONLY)	1
EME 460	3 PNG 490 (SPRING ONLY)	3
PNG 475 (FALL ONLY)	3 Technical Elective from approved department list ²	3
PNG 480 (FALL ONLY)	3 Technical Elective from approved department list ²	3
	General Education Health and Wellness (GHW)	1.5
	15	14.5

Total Credits 129

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Course is an Entrance to Major requirement

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University Requirements and General Education Notes:

US and IL are abbreviations used to designate courses that satisfy Cultural Diversity Requirements (United States and International Cultures).

W, M, X, and Y are the suffixes at the end of a course number used to designate courses that satisfy University Writing Across the Curriculum requirement.

General Education includes Foundations (GWS and GQ), Knowledge Domains (GHW, GN, GA, GH, GS) and Integrative Studies (Inter-domain) requirements. N or Q (Honors) is the suffix at the end of a course number used to help identify an Inter-domain course, but the inter-domain attribute is used to fill audit requirements. Foundations courses (GWS and GQ) require a grade of 'C' or better.

All incoming Schreyer Honors College first-year students at University Park will take ENGL 137H/CAS 137H in the fall semester and ENGL 138T/CAS 138T in the spring semester. These courses carry the GWS designation and satisfy a portion of that General Education requirement. If the student's program prescribes GWS these courses will replace both ENGL 15/ENGL 30H and CAS 100A/CAS 100B/CAS 100C. Each course is 3 credits.

¹ Students who begin their studies at non-UP locations and/or join the college after their first year should substitute CAS 100A, CAS 100B, or CAS 100C (GWS) for EMSC 100S (GWS). EMSC 100S Earth and Mineral Sciences First year Seminar (3) is a required course only for students who begin their studies at UP in the College of Earth and Mineral Sciences.

² Approved Technical Electives for the PNGE major can be found at the department web site: <http://www.eme.psu.edu/pnge/techelectives>
Students may use up to 6 credits of ROTC as technical electives.

Advising Notes:

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Courses required for the major may be offered fall semester only, spring semester only, or both fall and spring semesters. Consult with your adviser and department to discuss your academic progress and course sequencing.

The PNGE program strongly recommends that students have summer internships, as many companies will only consider hiring PNGE graduates who have had at least one internship.

College and Department Notes: Pursuant to Senate Policy 83-80.5, the Petroleum and Natural Gas Engineering program at Penn State requires that at least 24 credits of course work within the department sponsoring the major be completed in residence at University Park under the instruction of College of Earth and Mineral Sciences faculty. External transfer credit requests should follow the Transfer Credit procedure at Penn State Admissions, which may involve evaluation of the external course by faculty for approval.

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