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Dean Lilley Welcomes Students



Dean John M. Lilley

Welcome to Behrend College and Penn State. Like you, Behrend not only is, but Behrend is becoming. I hope you enjoy the excitement of change which characterizes both of you.

Many students are principally concerned about a career. They

should be interested in not only a first, but a second or a third as well. If you are destined to change careers 2.3 times, you can reasonably ask how to prepare for the world of career change. A major is very important, but it may be not as important as the acquisition of certain skills and insights.

What I have in mind specifically are such skills as critical thinking, quantitative reasoning, and public speaking.

I would particularly emphasize the ability to write with clarity, subtlety and persuasiveness, and a knowledge of the world

and its cultures through the study of modern languages, history, the

arts, the social sciences, and other avenues. That kind of education will assure you of a good chance for not only a first but a third career.

So rather than pursue narrow vocational interests, pursue a major AND the broadest education possible in the humanities and the sciences, both social and natural. As new fields develop in the future, you will be ready for them.

My final advice is to take advantage of this wonderful environment. Go to the beach this week, go to the gorge, go to our camp, use all 425 acres. Also go downtown. Plan to attend concerts at the Warner Theatre, and

this winter go cross-country and down-hill skiing. Make the best of this beautiful campus and region year round. You're at a special place - make the best of it.

This handbook has been prepared to provide students with a reference to the information and regulations regarding student life at The Behrend College of The Pennsylvania State University. The Policies and Rules for Students (Commonwealth and Other Branch Campuses) is also published by the University as a reference concerning systemwide information, regulations, policies, and rules which pertain to all students and faculty. These two publications have been designed to be used by students to become acquainted with University wide information as well as local campus traditions, rules, and activities.

The Behrend College Student Handbook is published by the Student Affairs Office.

President Oswald's Message

Dear student at Penn State:

This student handbook is a reference bulletin for you in many aspects of your life at Penn State. But undergirding this publication is an important attitude or philosophy which is a part of official policy. At Penn State we care about your individual experience, activity, and development during your college years. We endeavor to balance the extensive individual freedoms of university life with your understanding and acceptance of responsible citizenship in a university community. Therefore, this handbook will

provide information about many policies, services, and opportunities affecting your life at Penn State. But each one of you has the ultimate freedom to make as much, or as little, of your life here as you wish. These are probably the most crucial years of your life in determining your lifework, your habits of inquiry, your adult choice of values and ethics. For each of you I wish a fulfilling, satisfying, and enriching experience at Penn State.

Sincerely,
John Oswald
President