

SUPPORTING AN ENVIROMENT FOR LEARNING

Penn State-Behrend's Commitment To Your Safety

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College and University Security Information Act.

Welcome To Penn State

While you'll focus primarily on your classes, the environment that supports classes and other activities is a significant part of your education. We want these experiences to be meaningful, safe, and memorable. This publication describes some of the programs Penn State has developed to provide a safe, supportive environment.

Penn State Erie, The Behrend College, is a four-year educational and research institution located in suburban Erie in northwestern Pennsylvania. The campus is home to more than nine hundred undergraduate students who reside on campus in the apartment complex and residence halls. The remainder of the twenty-eight hundred undergraduate and all graduate students reside in the region surrounding the campus. The college employs 364 academic and staff support personnel at Penn State-Behrend for its educational, research, and recreational activities.

Resources

The Department of Police and Safety at Penn State-Behrend is responsible to the director of operations. The staff includes a manager of Police and Safety, a police supervisor, and five full-time and one part-time community service officers who provide service twenty-four hours a day, 365 days a year. The manager, supervisor, and all officers, prior to being assigned a shift duty, are required to have satisfied the requirements of the training course mandatory for municipal police officers in Pennsylvania. All officers are required to participate in annual in-service training to maintain their certification. A number of officers have attained or are seeking postsecondary education and/or specialized training in law enforcement.

The department maintains an excellent working relationship with the Pennsylvania State Police and the nearby municipal police departments of Wesleyville and Lawrence Park. It is the department's policy to request assistance from the Pennsylvania State Police in all major felony incidents, due to constraints on personnel and resources in a small department. The department may also draw upon the resources of the Pennsylvania State Police, Wesleyville, and Lawrence Park police for mutual aid should an emergency situation occur. Contained within the department's mobile units is a radio with direct contact with Millcreek Fire Control, which coordinates fire and ambulance response.

At Penn State-Behrend, office buildings are open from 8 am until 5 pm and academic buildings generally are open from 7 am until 11 pm. These facilities are intended for use by students, employees, and

guests of the University. Access to an individual classroom, of course, is limited to those enrolled in the courses meeting there. Likewise, access to most programs is limited to those enrolled in the program. Access to University residence halls is limited to residents and their invited guests, as explained on signs posted in the living areas.

To make it as convenient as possible for students, employees, and guests to report criminal or other unusual incidents, the campus emergency number for police, fire, and ambulance is posted on telephones in offices and residence-hall rooms.

The Law and University Policies-Alcohol, Drugs, and Weapons

The use, possession, and distribution on University property of beverages containing alcohol must comply with Pennsylvania law and with University policies and rules. Misconduct that may result in disciplinary action and penalties, including separation from the University, includes

- The purchase, consumption, possession, or transportation of beverage alcohol by anyone under the age of 21
- The furnishing of beverage alcohol to anyone under the age of 21
- The possession of beverage alcohol in residence-hall rooms, except by residents and guests 21 years of age or older in a room assigned to those 21 years of age or older
- The purchase, service, possession, or use of beverage alcohol by any registered undergraduate student organization on the premises of the University

The purchase, consumption, and possession of beverage alcohol is permitted to those who are 21 years of age or older in facilities licensed by the state, by adult graduate students and their organizations when no monetary charge is made for admission to the function and the function is not open to the public, and by people 21 years of age or older when permission is acquired under policy.

Penn State does not condone the medically unsupervised use, possession, sale, manufacture, or distribution of drugs that illegal, that may involve medical or psychological hazards to an individual, or that may lead to interference with the rights or privileges of others. When such activity occurs on campus, the University will initiate appropriate measures, which may include disciplinary action.

The use, possession, or carrying of firearms, hand billies, dirk knives or other dangerous knives, explosives, or other dangerous weapons while on University-owned or controlled property, or a University-sponsored or supervised activities, is forbidden. The only exception is for authorized law-enforcement officers or other persons specifically authorized by the University. Officers at Penn State-Behrend do not routinely carry firearms.

CRIMES

	1987	1988	1989
Criminal Homicide	0.00	0.000	0.000
Forcible Rape	0.00	0.000	0.000
Assault	0.00	0.000	
A. Firearm			0.000
B. Knife	0.00	0.000	0.000
C. Other Weapon	0.00	0.000	0.000
D. Hands, Fist, Etc.	0.00	2 0.001	2 0.001
E. Other Assaults	1 0.00	0.000	2 0.001
Burglary	0.00	0.000	
A. Forcible Entry	3		1 0.000
B. Unlawful Entry-No Force	4 0.001	2 0.001	0.000
C. Attempted Forcible Entry	2 0.001	5 0.002	3 0.001
Larceny-Theft (Except Motor Vehicle)	64 0.023	0.000	79 0.028
Motor Vehicle Theft	0.000	94 0.033	1 0.000
Arson	0.000	0.000	0.000
Forgery	0.000	4 0.001	0.000
Fraud	0.000	1 0.000	11 0.004
Rec. Stolem Prop.	1 0.000	10 0.004	7 0.003
Vandalism	29 0.011	2 0.001	42 0.015
D.U.I.	2 0.001	43 0.015	8 0.003
Liquor Laws	8 0.003	1 0.000	19 0.006
Drunkenness	17 0.006	16 0.006	3 0.001
Disorderly Conduct	14 0.005	9 0.003	21 0.008
Drug Violations		30 0.011	7 0.003

CRIME STATISTICS

Crime statistics are reported to the Pennsylvania State Police for annual publication in Crime in Pennsylvania, the Uniform Crime Report for the Commonwealth. These statistics also are available in the U.S. Department of Justice publication, Crime in the United States, which is available at all public libraries and most law enforcement agencies within the United States. Crime statistics also are available by writing to the Department of University Safety, 316 Grange Building, The Pennsylvania State University, University Park, PA 16802.

BEHREND CRIME DATA

*Rate: The rate used is a unique legislatively mandated figure from the number of offenses occurring for the number of full time equivalent student, faculty and staff at the location. The rate has no comparison elsewhere in the United States.

left column indicates # of offenses. Right indicates crime rate