

# Penn State Application Help

Sometimes students have difficulty figuring out how to find our majors on the Penn State application. Here is a handy guide on how to find your IST major.

Before you find your IST major, please make special note of the language below about the “Degree Type” section of the application:

## Degree Type

In this section of the application, you will make decisions about your program of interest and the campus you would like to attend. If a major and/or campus does not appear in the choices on the next set of pages, it may be due to the following:

- The major you are interested in cannot be started at the campus you have chosen.
- The major you have selected cannot be finished at the ending campus you have selected.
- The major selected is full for the selected semester.
- You are ineligible for consideration for that major campus based on the academic history that you have provided and the minimum requirements of the major and/or campus.

Each selection you make may prompt you for further information.

\* Type of Degree

- Associate (2 year)
- Baccalaureate (4 year)

Once you get to the section entitled “**Build Your Program of Study**” you will see this screen:

The screenshot shows the 'Build Your Program of Study' section of the Penn State application. At the top, there is a progress bar with six steps: Introduction, Profile Information, Academics, Program of Study (highlighted), Additional Information, and Review and Submit. Below the progress bar, there are three main sections: DEGREE TYPE, SEMESTER, and BUILD YOUR PROGRAM OF STUDY. A 'Print Summary' button is visible in the top right corner. The 'Build Your Program of Study' section is divided into two columns: 'Choosing Your Major' and 'Summary of Your Choices'. The 'Choosing Your Major' column contains a text box explaining the tools and three search options: 'Academic Interest Area', 'Campus/Location', and 'Alphabetical Listing'. A red arrow points to the 'Academic Interest Area' option. The 'Summary of Your Choices' column contains two fields: 'Intended Major' and 'Ending Campus', each with a 'CHANGE' button.

To select your major by subject area, select the “**Academic Interest Area**” option. You will see several boxes pop up with various options.

To select the **Cybersecurity Analytics and Operations major**, complete these boxes by selecting the options as shown below:

Help Me Find My Major By Academic Interests Area

Academic Area of Interest: COMPUTER AND INFORMATION SYSTEMS CHANGE

Intended Major: CYBERSECURITY ANALYTICS AND OPERATIONS CHANGE

Ending Campus: UNIVERSITY PARK CHANGE

Starting Campus: [Dropdown menu open]

- ABINGTON
- ALTOONA
- BEAVER
- BEHREND
- BERKS
- BRANDYWINE
- DUBOIS
- FAYETTE
- GREATER ALLEGHENY
- HARRISBURG
- HAZLETON
- LEHIGH VALLEY
- MONT ALTO
- NEW KENSINGTON
- SCHUYLKILL
- SHENANGO
- UNIVERSITY PARK
- WILKES-BARRE
- WORTHINGTON SCRANTON

Cancel Next

To select the **Data Sciences major**, complete these boxes by selecting the options as shown below:

Help Me Find My Major By Academic Interests Area

Academic Area of Interest: COMPUTER AND INFORMATION SYSTEMS CHANGE

Intended Major: DATA SCIENCES CHANGE

Ending Campus: UNIVERSITY PARK CHANGE

Starting Campus: [Dropdown menu open]

- ABINGTON
- ALTOONA
- BEAVER
- BEHREND
- BERKS
- BRANDYWINE
- DUBOIS
- FAYETTE
- HARRISBURG
- HAZLETON
- LEHIGH VALLEY
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- SCHUYLKILL
- SHENANGO
- UNIVERSITY PARK
- WILKES-BARRE
- WORTHINGTON SCRANTON
- YORK

Cancel Next

To select the **Security and Risk Analysis major**, complete these boxes by selecting the options as shown below:

Help Me Find My Major By Academic Interests Area

Academic Area of Interest: COMPUTER AND INFORMATION SYSTEMS CHANGE

Intended Major: SECURITY AND RISK ANALYSIS CHANGE

Ending Campus: 

- ALTOONA
- BERKS
- HARRISBURG
- UNIVERSITY PARK
- WORLD CAMPUS

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To select the **Information Sciences and Technology major**, complete these boxes by selecting the options as shown below:

Help Me Find My Major By Academic Interests Area

Academic Area of Interest: COMPUTER AND INFORMATION SYSTEMS CHANGE

Intended Major: INFORMATION SCIENCES AND TECHNOLOGY B.S. CHANGE

Ending Campus: 

- ABINGTON
- BEAVER
- BERKS
- BRANDYWINE
- GREATER ALLEGHENY
- HARRISBURG
- HAZLETON
- LEHIGH VALLEY
- MONT ALTO
- NEW KENSINGTON
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- WILKES-BARRE
- WORLD CAMPUS
- WORTHINGTON SCRANTON
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major in one of the following

Academic Interest Area:  
Search by Academic Area of Interest

Campus/Location:  
Search by Campus or Location

CIENCES AND TECHNOLOGY B.S.

Undergraduate Admissions > MyPennState > Apply Online

Introduction Applying to Penn State → Profile Information → Academics Academic History → **Program of Study Campuses & Majors** → Additional Information → Review and Submit

DEGREE TYPE SEMESTER BUILD YOUR PROGRAM OF STUDY

[Print Summary](#)

### Build Your Program of Study

Choosing Your Major	Summary of Your Choices
<p>The tools below are designed to help you find your major. You are currently classified as a first-year student applying for a Baccalaureate degree starting in Fall 2018.</p> <p>Select a major in one of the following ways:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li> <b>Academic Interest Area</b> Search by Academic Area of Interest</li> <li> <b>Campus/Location</b> Search by Campus or Location</li> <li> <b>A-Z Alphabetical Listing</b> Search by Alphabetical Listing</li> </ul>	<p><b>Intended Major:</b> <a href="#">CHANGE</a></p> <p><b>Ending Campus:</b> <a href="#">CHANGE</a></p>

To select your major by the campus where you'd like to study, select the **"Campus/Location"** option. You will first choose the campus, then go through the same steps listed for each major above.

To select your major by alphabetical listing, you will be able to select what you want directly from that menu. For example, here is how to choose the **Cybersecurity Analytics and Operations** major:

Help Me Find My Major By Alphabetical Listing

**Intended Major**

- CORPORATE INNOVATION AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP
- CREATIVE WRITING
- CRIMINAL JUSTICE
- CRIMINAL JUSTICE B.A.
- CRIMINAL JUSTICE B.S.
- CRIMINOLOGY B.A.
- CRIMINOLOGY B.S.
- CYBERSECURITY ANALYTICS AND OPERATIONS**
- D**
- DANCE
- DATA SCIENCES
- DIGITAL JOURNALISM AND MEDIA
- DIGITAL MEDIA, ARTS, AND TECHNOLOGY
- DIGITAL MULTIMEDIA DESIGN
- DIVISION OF UNDERGRADUATE STUDIES
- E**
- EARTH & MINERAL SCIENCES (UNDECIDED)
- EARTH SCIENCE AND POLICY
- EARTH SCIENCES
- ECONOMICS B.A.

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