1. General Information
Institutional Summary

Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania, a public, four-year institution, is one of 14 members of the Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education. Founded in 1839 as the Bloomsburg Literary Institute, the university currently enrolls approximately 7,700 undergraduate students in the Colleges of Business, Education, Liberal Arts and Science and Technology and approximately 700 students in graduate programs, including a doctoral program in clinical audiology (AUD) and a doctor of nursing practice (DNP).

Approximately ninety-two percent of the university's students are Pennsylvania residents and approximately five percent hail from neighboring New Jersey. Popular undergraduate majors are accounting, business administration, communication studies, criminal justice, early childhood education, health sciences, mass communications, nursing, psychology, and special education.

In fall 2020, there were 371 full-time faculty and 96 part-time faculty. With an average Ninety-six percent of the tenured and tenured track faculty have earned a terminal degree Eighty seven percent (86.7%) of faculty identify as White, Non-Hispanic.

Bloomsburg University offers a wide array of student activities and programs, modern residence halls, a well-equipped Student Recreation Center and restaurant-quality dining, including Chick-fil-A, Qdoba, Subway, Steak ‘n Shake, and Starbucks locations. The university has twenty intercollegiate athletic programs, more than 250 organizations to provide opportunities for leadership and growth and thirteen Learning Communities that foster an inclusive residential environment where students with similar majors, interests and goals are afforded rich and varied student learning opportunities both in and out of the classroom.

The university actively supports an atmosphere of civic engagement, encouraging students to get involved through political and volunteer activities. Students also may take advantage of support offerings provided through Academic Advisement, Academic Enrichment, Act 101/Educational Opportunity Program, Equity and Accommodations, Professional U, TRiO Student Support Services, University Tutorial Services and other programs.
History

An academy "to teach youth the elements of a classical education" was established in Bloomsburg in 1839. The academy continued with varied fortunes until 1856 when a charter was prepared and stock issued to reorganize it as the Bloomsburg Literary Institute. Institute Hall, later renamed Carver Hall after Henry Carver, an early principal, architect, and teacher, was erected in 1867. Today, the gold-domed, red brick building is the university's landmark.

Largely through the efforts of J.P. Wickersham, superintendent of public instruction, the Bloomsburg Literary Institute became the Bloomsburg Literary Institute and State Normal School in 1869; it continued under this name and organization until 1916 when it was purchased by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and named Bloomsburg State Normal School.

The emphasis at the Normal School changed during the early 1920s from secondary and college-preparatory courses for special teachers to full-time teacher education. In May 1927, the institutional name was changed to Bloomsburg State Teachers College and the school was authorized to grant the Bachelor of Science in education for teachers in elementary and secondary schools.

Under the administration of President Francis B. Haas (1927-1939), great progress was made in the teacher education program, and a new degree program in business education was initiated. Upon the naming of Dr. Haas as state superintendent of public instruction, Dr. Harvey A. Andruss, then dean of instruction and a former director of the Business Education Department, was appointed president, a position he held until his retirement in 1969. During World War II, the U.S. Navy V-12 Office Training Program was conducted on the Bloomsburg campus. As a result, a campus building was renamed Navy Hall. In 1957, a division of special education was instituted, and today, Navy Hall still houses that program. Major expansion in facilities, faculty, and student body followed. Undergraduate full-time enrollment rose from 1,743 in 1960 to 6,812 undergraduates in 1996.

In 1960, the institution's name was changed to Bloomsburg State College. Authorization soon followed to grant baccalaureate degrees for liberal arts programs in humanities, social sciences, and natural sciences/mathematics. Graduate study, leading to the Master of Education, was inaugurated. In 1968, approval was received for the Master of Arts, in 1970 for the Master of Science, in 1976 for the Master of Business Administration, and in 1982 for the Master of Science in Nursing. A cooperative doctoral program in elementary education began in 1982.

Commonwealth legislation enacted on July 1, 1983, established the State System of Higher Education, and Bloomsburg State College became Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania. Bloomsburg's president, Dr. James H. McCormick, became the system's interim chancellor and later its first permanent chancellor.

In fall of 2002, the Department of Audiology/Speech Pathology opened a clinical doctorate program in Audiology; the first class graduating in Spring 2006. In 2016, the College of Business was renamed the Ziegler College of Business in recognition of the generous $5 million gift and unwavering support from Terry and JoAnn Zeigler.
## Presidents

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Mission & Values

Mission Statement
Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania is an inclusive comprehensive public university that prepares students for personal and professional success in an increasingly complex global environment.

Values

- Collaboration
- Community
- Critical thinking
- Diversity
- Excellence
- Integrity
- Knowledge
- Opportunity
- Personal and professional growth
- Respect
Vision Statement

Bloomsburg University aspires to:
- be a premier public comprehensive university, recognized as a center of thinking, learning and academic excellence
- anticipate and address the changing needs of the Commonwealth
- be a diverse community that produces positive change
- provide resources to maximize opportunities for success
- be a good steward of our resources and the environment
- develop individuals to be contributing citizens
# Academic Calendar 2019-20

## Fall 2019
- **Classes Begin**: August 26
- **Labor Day - No class**: September 2
- **Mid-Term**: October 15
- **Reading Day**: November 26
- **Thanksgiving Recess Begins**: November 27
- **Classes Resume**: December 2
- **Classes End**: December 6
- **Finals Begin**: December 9
- **Finals End**: December 13
- **Graduate Commencement**: December 13
- **Undergraduate Commencement**: December 14

## Spring 2020
- **Classes Begin**: January 21
- **Spring Break Begins**: March 9
- **Classes Resume**: March 16
- **Mid-Term**: March 17
- **Classes End**: May 4
- **Finals Begin**: May 5
- **Finals End**: May 8
- **Graduate Commencement**: May 8
- **Undergraduate Commencement**: May 9
# Academic Calendar 2020-21

## FALL 2020

### Fall Session I:
August 17 - November 24

- Classes Begin: August 17
- Mid-Term: October 6
- Classes End: November 20
- Finals Begin: November 23
- Finals End: November 24

### Fall Session II:
August 17 - October 6

- Classes Begin: August 17
- Mid-Term: September 10
- Classes End: October 2
- Finals Begin: October 5
- Finals End: October 6

### Fall Session III:
October 7 - November 24

- Classes Begin: October 7
- Mid-Term: October 30
- Classes End: November 20
- Fall Commencement: November 21
- Finals Begin: November 23
- Finals End: November 24
# Academic Calendar 2020-21

## SPRING 2021

### Spring Session I:
- **February 1-March 23**
  - Classes Begin
  - Spring Break
  - Mid-Term
  - Classes End
  - Finals Begin
  - Finals End
  - Midpoint:
    - February 1
    - N/A
  - May:
    - May 7
    - May 10
    - May 13

### Spring Session II:
- **February 1-March 23**
  - Classes Begin
  - Spring Break
  - Mid-Term
  - Classes End
  - Finals Begin
  - Finals End
  - Midpoint:
    - February 1
    - N/A
    - February 25
  - March:
    - March 19
    - March 22
    - March 23

### Spring Session III:
- **March 24-May 13**
  - Classes Begin
  - Spring Break
  - Mid-Term
  - Classes End
  - Finals Begin
  - Finals End
  - Spring Commencement:
    - March 24
    - N/A
    - April 16
    - May 7
    - May 10
    - May 13
    - May 15
Academic Calendar 2021-22

**Fall 2021**
- Classes Begin
- Labor Day - No class
- Mid-Term
- Reading Day
- Thanksgiving Recess Begins
- Classes Resume
- Classes End
- Finals Begin
- Finals End
- Graduate Commencement
- Undergraduate Commencement

**Spring 2022**
- Classes Begin
- Spring Break Begins
- Classes Resume
- Mid-Term
- Classes End
- Finals Begin
- Finals End
- Graduate Commencement
- Undergraduate Commencement

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