

# Change of Campus Career Support

provided by the Business Career Center



## Change of Campus Specific Programs

Students can enroll in online BA 297, a one-credit Career Planning & Strategies course. This class helps students build professional development skills in time with the recruiting season each semester. The BCC visits the majority of the commonwealth campuses each academic year. Every visit typically includes a Smeal Career Prep group information session and one-on-one Smeal career coaching. The content covered in these visits is also offered virtually each semester during the Smeal Career Prep Webinar.

Students can schedule virtual career coaching appointment year-round and can tune into livestreams of the 25+ career topic workshops that the BCC staff presents at UP. In addition, campus students are encouraged to attend Smeal-hosted career events before starting at UP. Historically, this population has attended employer recruitment events, career topic workshops, case competitions, conferences, and Smeal career fairs, including each semester's Mock Career Fair. The BCC also connects with campus Smeal students at centralized UP programming such as Change of Campus Orientation, the summer STEP transition program, and the Link UP spring visitation.

## Did you know?

- Approximately a third of each Smeal junior class starts at a Commonwealth campus
- Students can start any Smeal undergraduate major at 19 Penn State campuses in addition to University Park.

## Every campus has:

- A Smeal academic advising ambassador who visits the campus and serves as a point of contact
- A Smeal liaison at their campus to assist with Smeal academic planning
- At least one professional Penn State Career Services staff member

## Programming Overview

Students starting a Smeal undergraduate program at a Penn State commonwealth campus have access to all Business Career Center (BCC) events and services. In addition, there are many BCC resources and programs targeted to Smeal change of campus students to support their career development transition between campuses.

## Change of Campus Specific Resources

The BCC has a full-time professional staff member dedicated to the career development of change of campus students. We offer resources tailored to this population. This includes a guided list of action items that help students stay on track with their career planning, the Change of Campus webpage on the Business Career Center website, and population-specific online career resources.

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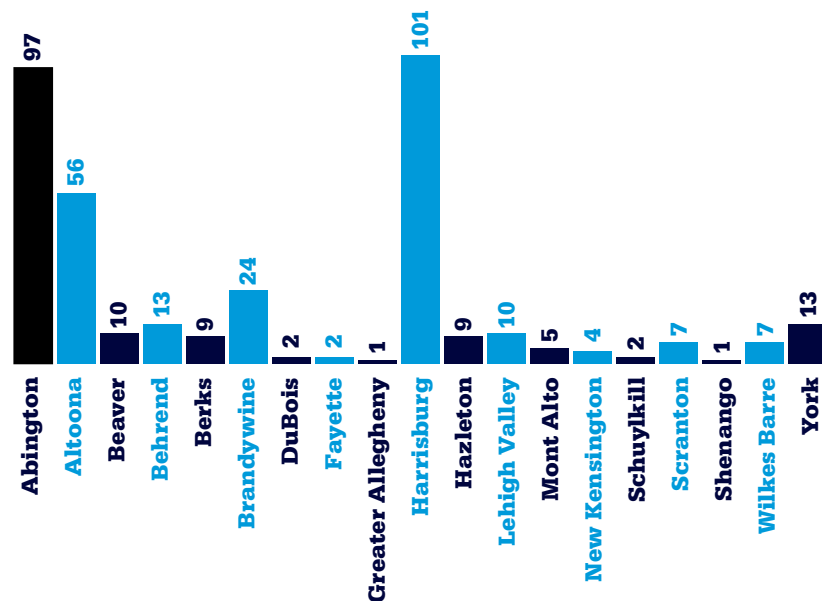
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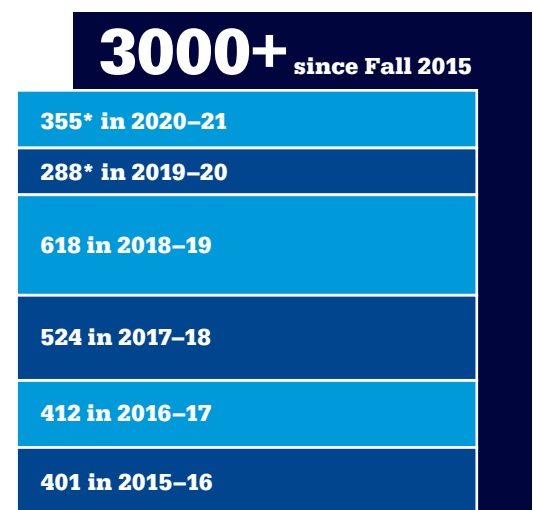
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In the Fall of 2022, Smeal will have change-of-campus juniors coming from the following campuses (data last provided in June 2022).



Change of campus Smeal undergraduate students reached by the BCC



\*These numbers were reduced due to the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic and a vacancy in the Change of Campus Coordinator role in 2019.

## Change-of-Campus Career Checklist

### Utilize the BCC

- Attend a Smeal Career Prep presentation specific to your campus
- [Schedule a 1-1 virtual appointment](#) with the Business Career Center's Change-of-Campus Coordinator

### Craft a Smeal Resume

- See the Business Career Center (BCC) website for a [Smeal resume tips packet](#) with samples
- [Schedule a resume review](#) or other career coaching appointment with BCC through Nittany Lion Careers

### Take BA197

- 1-credit course for change-of-campus students focusing on Smeal resources, services, and curriculum
- Online section for 1st and 2nd years
- Best to take during Freshman fall, Freshman spring, or Sophomore fall semester

### Meet With Your Career Office

- [Schedule a 1-on-1 appointment](#) with a Career Services professional at your campus
- Discuss ways to build and strengthen your resume and access career opportunities

### Attend Smeal Fairs & Events

- Smeal hosts a Mock Career Fair, MegaFair, Corporate Partner Career Fair, SC&IS Career Fair, Actuarial Science Fair, and PSAMA Marketing Career Fair
- [Check the Events page](#) on the BCC website for all Smeal events and details

### Take BA297

- 1-credit Smeal Career Planning & Strategies course offered fall and spring
- Online section for 1st & 2nd years and UP residence section for 3rd & 4th years
- Best to take during Freshman spring, Sophomore fall, or Sophomore spring semester

### Want to Stand Out Even More?

- For additional resources check out the [change-of-campus student information](#) page on the Business Career Center website
- Utilize [Nittany Lion Careers](#) to view job and internship postings, events, and to schedule an appointment with a career coach

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