Academic Summer Enhancement Program

Tradition of Excellence

The Academic Summer Enhancement (ASE) program at Penn State University Park encourages engineering students from all Penn State Commonwealth campuses to get to know the College of Engineering located at University Park. Although many first-year students start at Penn State Commonwealth campuses all over Pennsylvania, most engineering students will graduate from University Park. ASE is a specially designed program offered by the Multicultural Engineering Program (MEP) to help you get ready for college in a fun, effective, and realistic academic setting.

A Closer Look

This six-week intensive academic preparatory program will place you ahead of your peers both academically and socially. ASE allows you to invest in yourself by preparing you above and beyond what you have already done in high school. By taking advantage of this opportunity to jump into college life early, attend classes, and meet other engineering students, you will have a head start when you begin full-time classes in the fall. You will connect with peer mentors, become familiar with the MEP staff and services, and become oriented to campus life and culture at Penn State.

After 12 years of the ASE Program, we have noted the following benefits to the students who participate in ASE:

• Have a higher GPA
• More likely to graduate from the College of Engineering
• More likely to land competitive-salary internships, co-ops, and full-time employment
• Improved opportunity to earn amazing academic scholarships
• Build an extensive network of lifelong friends
• Acclimate more easily to the University Park environment
• Learn effective college study skills

The ASE Experience

“I really enjoyed the ASE Program. I got a chance to see what Penn State is like ... I made many friends, which was helpful for coming into my freshman year and already knowing some people.”

— Leah Womack, Architectural Engineering

“What helped me out the most was all the classes that I took. We were pushed beyond our limits of thinking. By doing that, I was able to think in a way that I have never dreamed about. I got a high GPA during my first semester because of ASE.”

— Carlos Moreno, Engineering
**ASE Previews:**
- Pre-Calculus
- Meta-Cognition
- College Study Skills
- Peer-Mentoring
- Campus Life Orientation
- Exploration of Engineering Majors
- Course Scheduling Strategies
- Networking with Current Students

---

**What You Need to Know**

**WHERE**
Penn State, University Park, PA (State College, PA)
* ASE participants will be housed in student residence halls of the University Park campus

**WHEN**
Sunday, June 30 – Friday, August 9, 2019
* Move-in day is Sunday, June 30, 2019 from 9:00 a.m. – noon

**COST**
$1,200 per student
* Cost includes room and board, field trips, courses, tutoring and professional development programs. This is only 10% of the actual cost of the program per student, with the remaining expenses being covered through corporate and University sponsorships. If you are unable to pay the entirety of the fee, please include a Statement of Financial Need and how much you are able to contribute along with your application. Students will have access to computer labs, library resources, and the library. All participants must provide their own transportation to and from State College.

**Program Application**
Please complete the application online at inclusion.engr.psu.edu/ase/. Do not send payment at this time. Program fees will be collected upon acceptance into the program.

**APPLICATION DEADLINE: MAY 15, 2019**

**For more information, contact:**
Dwayne Cormier, Ph.D. Candidate
Program Coordinator
Multicultural Engineering Program
ase@engr.psu.edu

**inclusion.engr.psu.edu/ase**

---

**Corporate Sponsors**
Air Products, Alcoa, Ametek Foundation, ArcelorMittal Boeing, Chevron, ConocoPhilips, Dow, ExxonMobil, GM John Deere, Merck, Norfolk Southern, Phillips 66, Rockwell Automation, Shell, United Technologies

**Penn State Endowments**
National Science Foundation, Penn State Chapter of the National Society of Black Engineers Program, Endowment of the Multicultural Engineering Program in the COE, Multicultural Engineering Program Support, Endowment in the COE