The Jump Start Experience

Jump Start is traditionally a four-week summer bridge program at Penn State University Park. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic and University compliance, Jump Start will be offered June 1-26, 2020, online as remote instruction. Designed for rising sophomore engineering students, this program prepares students to get a jump start in Math 141, Math 230, Math 250, Physics 211 or Physics 212 in the upcoming academic year.

Benefits:
- Opportunity to improve your academic performance
- Access to Peer Mentor
- Network with other engineering students and professionals
- Attend professional development and academic success workshops
- $320 scholarship

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Application deadline: May 20, 2020

As part of Jump Start, students are trained and receive a Manufacturing Shop Certification at the Learning Factory.

“The Jump Start Program was the absolute highlight of my summer ... I felt confident in my classes and had a much better grasp on the material going forward. I am thankful for the Jump Start Program and would highly encourage anyone taking calculus or physics to participate!”
— Kevin Bello

“Jump Start was one of my best Penn State experiences. I was able to make so many amazing relationships; I even met my roommates from my first Jump Start. It helped me prepare for my upcoming semesters in higher-level math and physics, which made it easier for me overall. Being able to come back to Jump Start as a program assistant was an even better experience, as I was able to help out the students ... but also help develop the program from the year before. Jump Start was so much fun and I would do it again every year if I could.”
— Rawan Abu-Zaineh

“I absolutely loved attending Jump Start ... and it definitely benefitted me a lot this last semester, particularly in Math 251. The program is an incredible way to meet new people and make friends from other campuses.”
— Devin Van Rensburg