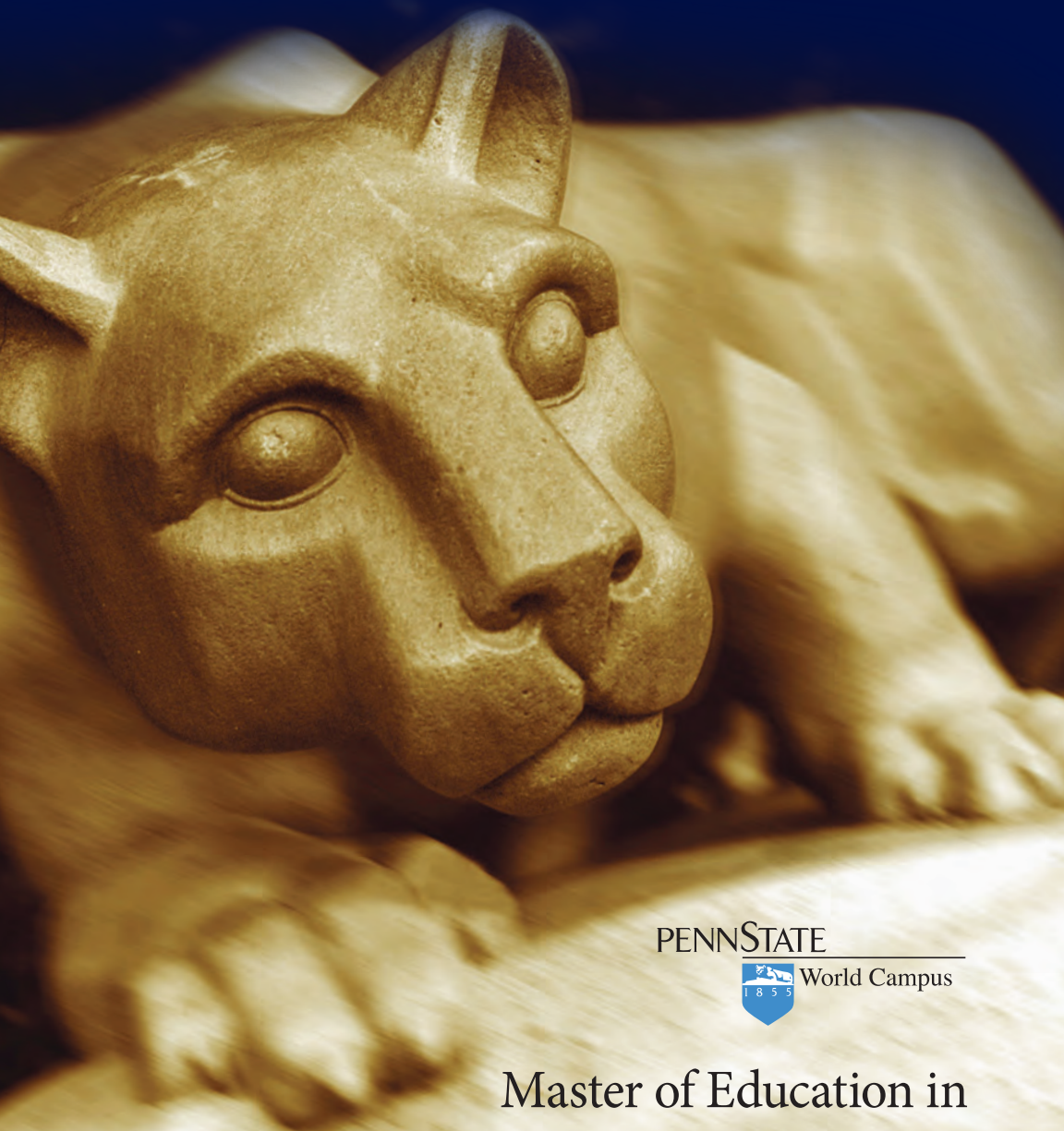


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Master of Education in  
Learning, Design, and Technology

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*“The Learning, Design, and Technology program enables our graduates to bridge the needs of the learner and the educational organization. We are proud that our graduates have advanced their careers in K-12 teaching and learning support roles in military, corporate, nonprofit, and community education and training organizations.”*

*Joshua A. Kirby, PhD  
Lead Faculty Member of the Learning, Design,  
and Technology Online Programs  
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# Online Master of Education in Learning, Design, and Technology

Penn State World Campus has partnered with Penn State's College of Education to offer you a 30-credit Master of Education in Learning, Design, and Technology. The program of study applies skills and knowledge from the fields of the learning sciences, instructional design, computer technologies, and research methodologies to study educational designs and their effects on learning.

In 2015 *U.S. News & World Report* ranked Penn State No. 4 in the country for having the best online graduate education programs—your assurance that this program can provide you with the tools you need to deliver effective instructional materials, whether you are teaching in a classroom or training in a boardroom. Upon graduation, you will have created a viable portfolio that immediately gives you a competitive advantage in the job market.

**As a graduate of this program, you could utilize your knowledge and skills in:**

- K–12 classrooms and technology leadership roles
- corporate, agency, or military training departments
- colleges and universities
- entrepreneurial consulting companies
- museums
- nature centers and other informal learning settings
- community college learning resource centers



# Curriculum

This 30-credit online program includes 9 credits of learning, design, and technology core courses, as well as 21 credits of professional application courses chosen in consultation with an adviser. You will compile a portfolio as you move through the courses, and this portfolio will be presented to the adviser as the capstone experience.

As a student in the learning, design, and technology program, you can design, develop, and evaluate learning experiences. The program can prepare you to use or design educational technologies, and to apply design thinking to support teaching and learning. You will study learning processes, educational practices, and how technology impacts the teaching and learning experiences of everyone involved. Ultimately, you'll work toward gaining the skills needed to work in learning support roles in K–12, academic, corporate, military, and community settings.

If you are a teacher or design professional, the course work in this program will help you explore best practices in the field of learning design. The course activities challenge you to apply your understanding to practical, real-world problems, and encourage you to blend your personal and professional interests into your course work. Although some students have professional backgrounds in education, others come from diverse, related fields.

## **Some course topics include:**

- Emerging Web Technologies
- Learning Design Studio
- Gaming 2 Learn
- Designing for Course Management Systems

## Postbaccalaureate Certificate in Educational Technology Integration

The Penn State World Campus educational technology integration program is designed to improve your use of the Internet and technology in your classroom or educational setting. Through our courses you can learn how to apply sound technology practices to positively impact the learning process.

By acquiring this certificate, you can help enhance your career opportunities while expanding your knowledge of technology-based learning.\*

*\*This program is not associated with the Pennsylvania Department of Education Instructional Technology Specialist Certificate.*

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# Why Penn State?

## ► Online Delivery Experience— Penn State World Campus

In 1892, Penn State founded one of the nation's first correspondence courses. Over the years, our distance education options have evolved to include technology-enhanced learning experiences, culminating in the foundation of Penn State World Campus in 1998. As a pioneer in distance learning, we have significant experience in understanding the needs of off-campus students.

### You can experience courses that are:

- designed around best practices in online delivery
- taught by faculty with experience teaching in an online environment
- created using technology to support successful learning outcomes, not just convenience



## ► Faculty Expertise

Penn State's College of Education is consistently ranked by *U.S. News & World Report* as one of the top U.S. colleges and universities. And the same industry-respected faculty who teach on campus teach our online courses. The online environment of the learning, design, and technology program allows you to interact frequently with your faculty, providing even greater opportunities to share insights and reinforce what you are learning. And, with our global learning community of adult learners exchanging ideas and experiences, you will be as close to the face-to-face experience as possible.

## ► An Exceptional Student/ Alumni Body

**Whether you take our courses online or in a traditional classroom, you become a "Penn Stater" who is part of:**

- an institution with more than 150 years of excellence in teaching, research, and service
- a global community of exceptional adult learners from all 50 states, more than 40 countries, and 7 continents
- a proud worldwide network of more than 631,000 alumni and, upon your graduation, you can choose to join the largest alumni association in the world, with more than 174,000 members

# Frequently Asked Questions

## ▶ How much is tuition?

Tuition is based on cost-per-credit as is associated with your program of study. Tuition rates are assessed every semester of enrollment. As a student, you may incur additional charges, such as credit-by-examination, exam proctor, and transcript fees, during your course of study. Please visit our website for the most up-to-date tuition rate.

## ▶ Does Penn State World Campus offer financial aid?

World Campus makes many options available to help you pay for your education. Full- and part-time degree-seeking students are eligible for federal student aid. We also have different options to help you, such as deferred payment plans, third-party payments for employed professionals, and military payment options.

## ▶ What does the online classroom look like?

Our philosophy for designing online courses: Use the latest technology to best deliver the content in the most flexible way while keeping the technology transparent to you.

We use one centralized platform where you can log in to your classroom. There you can get assignments, interact with faculty and peers, reply to message boards, and do more.

## ▶ How long will it take me to finish my program?

This answer varies for each student. There are many factors (e.g., transfer credits, course load per semester) that influence how long it will take. Depending on the program, some students are able to complete 12 credits every year—others more than 20 credits. You will work closely with an adviser to determine the best course of action for you to complete the program.

To obtain additional information, visit:

[worldcampus.psu.edu](http://worldcampus.psu.edu)



# Begin Your Application Today

## How to Begin

1. Visit [worldcampus.psu.edu/met](http://worldcampus.psu.edu/met).
2. Click the “Apply Now” button to access your application.

## Application Materials

- online application and fee
- a copy of an official transcript from each institution attended
- statement of purpose
- references
- résumé
- writing sample
- official GRE or MAT scores
- TOEFL or IELTS scores, if applicable



To apply or for more information about these application materials, visit:

[worldcampus.psu.edu/met](http://worldcampus.psu.edu/met)

## Did You Know?

- Penn State credits and degrees earned online are identical to those earned on campus.
- Our online courses involve frequent interactions between students and with instructors.

# For More Information

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## Student Services Hours

(inquiries and registration)

8:00 a.m.–9:30 p.m. ET Monday–Thursday

8:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m. ET Friday

Closed Saturday and Sunday

## Admissions Counseling Hours

8:00 a.m.–8:00 p.m. ET Monday–Thursday

8:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m. ET Friday

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