

# Thiel College

Greenville, Pennsylvania

**TAKE YOUR FUTURE FURTHER** with one of Thiel College's five graduate degree programs. According to the 2020 Census, only 13% of U.S. adults 25 and older have advanced degrees, and that rare training is rewarded with an annual earnings increase of \$13,000 for U.S. adults with graduate degrees. Thiel College has five graduate programs.

"In the last five years, we've moved into graduate education. We offer graduate degrees that are in high demand," President Susan Traverso, Ph.D., said. "We were very intentional in developing our graduate programs in partnership with future employers so that we are fostering relationships and nurturing the workforce that is needed in all of western Pennsylvania."

Thiel College graduate programs:

- Business Administration
- Clinical Mental Health Counseling
- Communication and Leadership
- Physician Assistant Studies
- Speech-Language Pathology

The MBA and Communication and Leadership programs are designed to continue the momentum of recent bachelor's degree students and can be completed in about a year. New for 2022 is the Master of Arts in Clinical Mental Health Counseling and two-year programs for working professionals who would like to complete their MBA or Communication and Leadership master's degrees. The Master of Science in Physician Assistant Studies and Speech-Language Pathology programs are supported by \$7.5 million in renovations of the Rhodehouse Science Building, which includes updated lab and classroom spaces and collaborative and lounge areas as well as a new human anatomy lab.

If you are looking for personalized attention, flexibility and a head start in your field or professional career, then you should consider a Thiel College graduate degree. Accelerated degree programs in business and speech-language pathology make it possible to earn a degree in about a year. The Thiel College community provides the support of academic, career and financial aid counseling to help you reach your goal.

"Coming from a big university, I did not experience the closeness with my teachers and was overwhelmed with the size. As such, I believed attending a smaller college like Thiel College would allow me to integrate with the program and build relationships with my peers and staff," said Gemima Muteba, M.S.'22, a University of Maryland graduate and physician assistant studies student. "That's why I chose Thiel. I'm thrilled by the staff, who are passionate about their students, and the amount of professional support we're able to get here at Thiel. I feel like I can reach out for help whenever I need something and know that someone will be there to lend their support."

#### Welcoming community

All of Thiel College's graduate programs have pathways for students who did not get their bachelor's degree at the college. The MBA and Communication and Leadership programs have been designed to continue the momentum of recently graduated bachelor's degree students. The year-long programs have an accelerated, cohort-based, experiential and residential learning environment. Specific experiential

learning experiences will be required of all students in settings that extend the learning environment beyond the classroom. The potential exists for collaboration with a student's current employer, as do opportunities to get hands-on, real-world experience through partnerships with regional employees.

"The thing that really appealed to me was the community feel of the campus," said Alex Hudson, MBA'21. "It's a productive program, and it's everything I thought it would be and more. When I saw how it was going to be a dynamic work environment, and the wide range of students they were pulling in, it interested me. We had students from completely different industries and markets, and we all had different experiences. We had students who came straight out of undergrad into the graduate program. It's a nice mix of knowledge, which lead to good discussions. It's a great program."

#### Campus improvements

More than \$40 million in capital improvements in the campus's academic, athletic and residential facilities are either completed, ongoing or scheduled for the year ahead. Among the campus improvements are important renovation projects supporting athletics and wellness.

In recent years, the college has been recognized as a top north region college in Western Pennsylvania and a top college for social mobility in Western Pennsylvania, according to U.S. News and World Report; an Arbor Day Foundation Tree Campus USA; and as a Grateful Graduates institution by Forbes magazine. The college also joins Princeton, Carnegie Mellon and the University of Pittsburgh as one of just six Dietrich Foundation higher education institutions in the United States.

Clinical Mental Health Counseling, Speech-Language Pathology and Physician Assistant students have access to clinical rotations as well as clinical hours for Speech-Language students in the campus's Center for Speech-Language Services, which offers free appointments to community members.

"My experience was nothing short of amazing," speech-language pathology graduate Nicole Plassio, M.S. '21, said. "I'm so grateful to go to a school that provided me with an excellent education as well as the opportunity to gain hands-on experience."

Communication and Leadership and MBA students have access to graduate assistantships worth up to \$27,500 and to top employers. Thiel alumni are employed by BNY Mellon, Eli Lilly, General Nutrition Centers (GNC), Lockheed Martin, Nationwide, Footlocker, Children's Hospital, Pittsburgh Penguins, Pittsburgh Steelers, U.S.A. Football, Walt Disney World, and many more.

Thiel welcomes students from around the globe who are pursuing a world-class graduate degree program in the United States. Thiel College is a private, diverse, inclusive, and co-educational college that specializes in challenging students to achieve their dreams. The college is home to a diverse student population, small class sizes and committed faculty in scenic northwestern Pennsylvania. The campus is near bike and hiking trails, state and local parks, and outdoor amenities.

Contact an admissions counselor today at [admissions@thiel.edu](mailto:admissions@thiel.edu).

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