

PIERCE COLLEGE PUYALLUP — ONE OF THE PIERCE COLLEGES

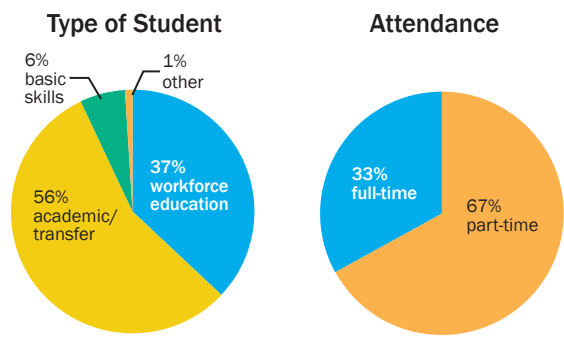
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KEY FACTS (DATA IS FROM 2018-2019 ACADEMIC YEAR UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED)

Year Founded 1971	Enrollment Headcount (all sources)* 15,720 FTES (all sources)* 8,317
Service Area Pierce County	Headcount (state-funded) 5,866 FTES (state-funded) 2,033
Legislative District 2, 25, 27, 30, 31	Students in Selected Programs Applied bachelor's 6 I-BEST 68 International 68 Running Start 1,723 Worker Retraining 132
Highest Enrolled Programs • Associate of Arts–DTA* • Nursing • Health • Social Sciences • Sciences	
*Direct Transfer Agreement	

STUDENT PROFILE — STATE-FUNDED



Race/Ethnicity*

African American	11%
Asian	13%
Hispanic/Latino	18%
Native American	4%
Pacific Islander	3%
Other race	2%
White/Caucasian	67%

Gender

Female	60%
Male	40%

Median Age: 23

Family and Finances

Students receiving need-based financial aid in eligible programs	38%
Students who work	57%
Students with children	28%

*May not add up to 100% because students may be counted in more than one race. Percentages calculated on reported value.

POINTS OF INTEREST

- Pierce Nursing Students Well Prepared To Fill Statewide Shortage of Registered Nurses** Pierce College Puyallup’s nursing program plays an important role in filling Washington’s statewide shortage of registered nurses. The program has been ranked as one of the top nursing programs in the state, ranked Number 1 by RNCareers.org, and Number 2 by RegisteredNursing.org. Over the past four years, our nursing program has seen an average first-time licensure exam pass rate of 98 percent, allowing students to move into in-demand nursing careers quickly upon graduation.
- Pierce College Partners With Bethel School District to Offer Innovative Access to Higher Education** Pierce College continues to increase access to higher education in south Pierce County by offering college courses at Graham-Kapowsin and Spanaway Lake High Schools. Courses are open to everyone, including Running Start and adult students. Graham-Kapowsin courses meet in the evenings to accommodate busy school and work schedules. Courses at Spanaway Lake take place during the day, with a schedule that is conveniently aligned with the high school to provide maximum flexibility for students and community members who live or work nearby.
- Guided Pathways Help Raise Graduation Rates** Pierce College is making great strides in breaking down barriers that stand in the way of student success. The college district redesigned the entire student experience from start-to-finish, providing them with the tools and support they need to succeed. Pierce College has adopted Guided Pathways, an evidence-based approach that simplifies career choices, directs students into a comprehensive field of study based on their interests, and keeps students on track through intensive advising, mentoring and integration of milestones that guide their progress. Thanks in part to this work, Pierce College District has seen a 104 percent increase in graduation rates over eight years.