

PIERCE COLLEGE FORT STEILACOOM — ONE OF THE PIERCE COLLEGES

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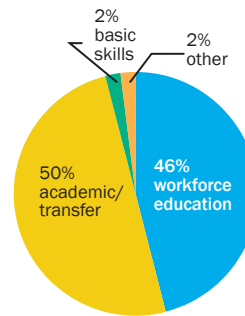
KEY FACTS (DATA IS FROM 2017-2018 ACADEMIC YEAR UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED)

Year Founded	Enrollment	
1967	Headcount (all sources)*	16,165
	FTEs (all sources)*	8,450
Service Area	Headcount (state-funded)	8,322
Pierce County	FTEs (state-funded)	3,284
Legislative District	Students in Selected Programs	
28, 29	Applied bachelor's	123
	I-BEST	35
Highest Enrolled Programs	International	536
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Associate of Arts–DTA* • Social Sciences–DTA • Pre-Nursing • Business–DTA • Associate in Pre-Nursing–DTA 	Running Start	1,624
	Worker Retraining	207

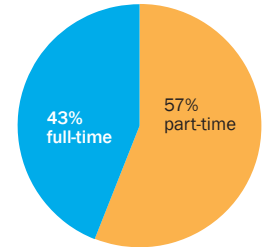
*Data reflects the entire Pierce College District.

STUDENT PROFILE — STATE-FUNDED

Type of Student



Attendance



Race/Ethnicity*

African American	15%
Asian	13%
Hispanic/Latino	19%
Native American	3%
Pacific Islander	3%
Other, Multiracial	1%
White/Caucasian	56%

Gender

Female	64%
Male	36%

Median Age: 25

Family and Finances

Students receiving need-based financial aid in eligible programs	46%
Students who work	55%
Students with children	34%

* 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 College Ranked Among Nation's Top 10 Community Colleges Pierce College Fort Steilacoom has been selected as one of 10 finalists for the 2019 Aspen Prize for Community College Excellence. This is the nation's signature recognition of high achievement and performance in community colleges. Pierce College was selected due to our exceptional three-year graduation/transfer rate of 59 percent — compared to the national average of 40 percent. The college also stands out because of our strong support programs to help veterans succeed in the classroom and beyond.

Leading Community College for Veterans Pierce College Fort Steilacoom's Veterans Resource Center provides comprehensive support services for active and retired military students and their families. The center serves more than 1,600 military affiliated students between all campuses, in addition to 1,100 students at Pierce College at JBLM. Students can take advantage of assistance with housing, jobs, mental health counseling, emergency services, textbooks and more. The college also collaborates with local community and technical colleges, state agencies and the armed forces for the Veterans Industry Education (VIE-25) program. Through VIE-25, transitioning service members during their last six months of military service can take advantage of short-term certificate programs that lead to high-paying jobs.

Now Offering Bachelor of Applied Science Degrees Pierce College now offers three Bachelor of Applied Science degrees, the BAS-DH in Dental Hygiene, the BAS-T in P-3 Teaching, and the BAS-HSEM in Homeland Security Emergency Management. These degrees further enhance our ability to serve the needs of our communities.