

PIERCE COLLEGE FORT STEILACOOM — ONE OF THE PIERCE COLLEGES

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KEY FACTS (Data from 2015-2016 academic year unless otherwise noted)

Year Founded: 1967

Service Area: Pierce County

Legislative District: 2, 28, 29

Highest Enrolled Programs:

- Associate of Arts
- Pre-Nursing
- Business
- Science
- Criminal Justice

Enrollment:

Headcount (all sources)*	20,083
FTES (all sources)*	8,526
Headcount (state-funded)	7,668
FTES (state-funded)	3,228

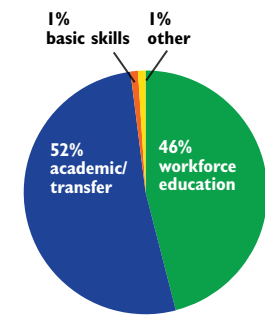
Students in Selected Programs (Headcount):

I-BEST	92
International Students	569
Running Start	1,250
Worker Retraining	280

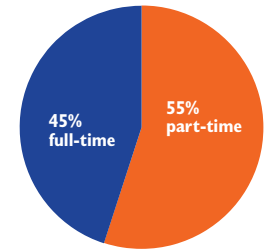
*This data includes numbers for the entire Pierce College District.

STUDENT PROFILE — STATE FUNDED

Purpose for attending (FTE)



Attendance (Headcount)



Ethnicity*:

African American	15%
Asian	11%
Hispanic/Latino	17%
Native American	4%
Pacific Islander	3%
Other; Multiracial	1%
White/Caucasian	59%

Median Age:

25

Family and Finances:

Students receiving need-based financial aid in eligible programs	45%
Students who work	52%
Students with children	36%

Gender:

Female	63%
Male	37%

* May not add up to 100% because students may be counted in more than one race.

POINTS OF INTEREST

Bachelor of Applied Science Degrees

Pierce 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.

Pierce Ranks Among Best Community Colleges in the Nation

The prestigious Aspen Institute College Excellence Program has named Pierce College to its list of the nation's 150 best community colleges for its high standards for learning, college completion without delay, and service as a training ground for jobs that pay competitive wages. Pierce College is one of only nine colleges in Washington state to be named to the list. Community colleges on the list were selected from a pool of more than 1,000 public two-year colleges using publicly available data on student outcomes in performance, improvement and equity.

Pierce Opens First Student Housing Facility

Known as the Center for Global Scholars, the dormitory is located on Steilacoom Boulevard a short distance from Pierce College Fort Steilacoom. The 63-bed facility is intended primarily for international students, but will be open to local students seeking an international experience as well. To be accepted into the residence hall, students must be 18 years or older and have a 3.0 grade point average or higher.