In response to high community demand, Peninsula College launched a Medical Office Assisting (MOA) Program spring quarter 2019. Students can train for work in medical offices, clinics, hospitals, home health and other healthcare settings on the Olympic Peninsula. Students receive the technology skills they need for medical office employment, including electronic medical billing and coding, bookkeeping and accounting, and charting in-patient records.

In January 2019, PC’s Medical Assisting Program identified numerous unfilled, entry-level health care positions in Clallam and Jefferson counties that MOA graduates could secure. Positions ranged from Centralized Scheduling Representative to Clinical Care Coordinator and Medical Team Navigator.

Peninsula College has joined more than 125 college and university programs nationwide in offering esports, where competitive video game play is a global sport. More than just gaming, esports can help students grow their STEM, media and business interests while developing valuable life skills. PC athletes participate in community service projects and play a significant role in developing young players through camps and in mentorship programs and school clinics at elementary, middle and high schools.

PC’s Science and Culture of the Olympic Peninsula Ecosystem (SCOPE) program emphasizes hands-on learning while exploring the culture and ecology of our mountains, forests and sea. Students follow an interdisciplinary pathway to an AA or AS degree in a learning community combining English Composition, Survey of Biology and History of Reason. This unique program with a local focus explores foundational ideas about the roles that science and culture play in our ecosystem. The courses set the stage for exploration of our cultural and natural history and prepare students for future field experiences and the completion of an independent capstone project.