

Admission to the College

Requirements to Attend

All degree-seeking or certificate-seeking students must submit an application to the College. Peninsula College operates under an open door admissions policy and shall accept for admission any applicant who:

1. Is competent to profit from the curricular offering of the college; and
2. Would not, by presence or conduct, create a disruptive atmosphere within the College inconsistent with the purposes of the institution; and
3. Is eighteen years of age or older, or:
 - a. is a high school graduate, or equivalent
 - b. has applied for admission under the provisions of a student enrollment options program, such as Running Start, a successor program, or other local enrollment options programs.

Additional restricted admissions criteria shall apply to those applicants under the age of 18. All incoming degree seeking students must be evaluated for English and mathematics achievement except:

- a. Students who have completed multiple courses of college-level work at a regionally accredited institution of higher education, including English and math with a GPA of at least 2.00, or
- b. Students who have an approved placement reciprocity through another Washington State Community or Technical College, or
- c. Students who are pursuing short-term certificates that do not require Math or English prerequisites.

All incoming degree seeking students must be evaluated for English and mathematics course placement prior to course registration. This evaluation may be completed through multiple measures. A complete list of options can be obtained from the Assessment and Placement Center.

The college reserves the right to deny individuals entrance to specific programs if they do not meet established achievement level requirements.

Admission to Peninsula College does not guarantee admission into all courses or all professional and technical education programs. You should consult this catalog for any specific admission requirements in your major field.

Non-Degree Enrollments

Non degree-seeking students are not required to apply for admission but must provide required documentation and meet any prerequisite requirements for courses by qualifying through a placement test or by providing an official transcript from a prior institution. Non-degree seeking students who only want to take courses for personal or professional enrichment are not required to take a placement test for classes that do not have prerequisites.

Peninsula College may enroll a student who:

1. Is competent to profit from the curricular offering of the College.
2. Would not by his or her presence or conduct, create a disruptive atmosphere within the College inconsistent with the purposes of the institution.
3. Is eighteen years of age or older, or:
 - a. Who is aged 16 years or older and meets the provisions of the "Title II of the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act." Individuals admitted in such classes will be allowed to continue as long as they are able to demonstrate, through measurable academic progress, an ability to benefit.
 - b. Who is enrolled in a Peninsula College sponsored youth program.
 - c. Who is enrolled in a basic education or noncredit class with approval from the appropriate dean.
 - d. Who has approval from the Enrollment Exception Committee or designee(s).

Peninsula College may accept for exceptional admissions students who are under age 18 who are approved by the Enrollment Exception Committee or designee(s). Those who do not have a high school diploma or equivalent will be admitted as non degree seeking students only. Enrolling as an underage student does not constitute admission to the College or a program of study and does not assure future quarter registration. It is not PeninsulaCollege's intent to replace or duplicate the functions of the local public schools.

The Enrollment Exception Committee or designee(s) will be appointed by the Vice President for Student Services. Students must supply all required documentation in consideration for approval to the Enrollment Exception Committee. Contact Pirate Central at (360) 417-6340 for more information.

Admission Procedures

Procedures for admission are published on the Peninsula College website at www.pencol.edu, and are provided by Pirate Central at (360) 417-6340.

Official transcripts from each college you have attended must be mailed to Pirate Central at Peninsula College for consideration of transfer credit. It is your responsibility to contact other institutions and request that transcripts and testing scores be forwarded in a timely manner. All transcripts become the property of the college.

Prior to the quarter applied for, the Student Services Office will notify each new applicant who has completed the admissions process about times scheduled for placement testing, orientation, advising, and registration. Call (360) 417-6340 for information.

Registration Procedures

Individuals should check the College website at www.pencol.edu for the quarterly schedule of courses and for details on registration procedures.

Our registration process gives precedence to veterans and continuing degree-seeking students with the most credits. This system is designed to allow those most in need of specific courses required for graduation or program completion to have a first opportunity registration position. You may register at the time assigned or any time thereafter within the constraints of the period offered for registration. You are not guaranteed the unrestricted right to enroll in any specific course or program.

Continuing students who indicate they wish to enroll the next quarter are notified by email regarding their registration appointments. A designated period is set aside each quarter for advising purposes before registration begins.

You must be officially enrolled by the first day of the course to attend.

Under the Washington Administration Code (WAC) and the policies of the State Board for Community Colleges, we reserve the right to deny admission to, or cancel the registration of, any individual whose enrollment is inconsistent with the best interests of the student, other students, or the established policies of Peninsula College.