

Federal and State Financial Aid Eligibility Requirements

In order to be eligible for financial aid, you must meet the following requirements:

- You have a high school diploma, GED certificate, enrolled in an eligible pathway program, or meet the Ability to Benefit guidelines
- You have been admitted to the college
- You plan to complete a college degree or certificate program at Peninsula College and enroll in required classes for that degree or certificate
- Be enrolled in at least 6 credits in order to be eligible for Direct Loan Program, PC Grant, Tuition Waiver, and work-study funds
- Demonstrate financial need (for most programs)
- You are making Satisfactory Academic Progress in your studies and are meeting the minimum Pace of Progression requirements
- You are not currently in default on a student loan received at any school
- You do not owe a repayment of grant funds at any college attended
- You are a citizen or a permanent resident of the United States (certain exceptions if you are not a USCitizen but are a WA resident)
- Be registered with Selective Service, if you're a male (you must register between the ages of 18 and 25)
- You have not been convicted of an illegal drug offense while receiving federal student aid
- Submit your FAFSA or WASFA and turn in any required documents, following the Peninsula College Application Process and Deadlines

Scholarships

Information about scholarship opportunities is posted in the Financial Aid Office and at www.pencol.edu. There are also many other websites with scholarship information. Unfortunately, some of these sites are less precise than others. One of the free sites recommended by financial aid administrators in Washington is www.theWashBoard.org.

Opportunity Grant

The Opportunity Grant Program can provide funding for tuition and fees, books, and supplies for qualified adults for up to 45 credits in selected programs. For more information and the application process, visit <http://www.pencol.edu/additional-financial-resources/opportunity-grant>

Worker Retraining Aid

If you have experienced a major change in your employment circumstances in the last 48 months, including displaced homemaker status, you may qualify for Worker Retraining assistance. Worker Retraining applications are available on the college website, www.pencol.edu or by calling (360) 417-6263.

Basic Food Employment and Training (BFET)

The BFET Program can provide support and assistance with tuition, books, and other support services for eligible students in professional-technical programs who are receiving Basic Food through the Department of Social and Health Services. For more information, contact the DSHS Programs Coordinator at (360) 417-6505 or toll free 1(877) 452-9277, ext. 6505.

WorkFirst

The WorkFirst program supports students who are current recipients of the Temporary Assistance for Needy Parents (TANF) program through the State Department of Social and Health Services and who are taking classes to improve their work skills and increase their wage earning capacity. For information and eligibility requirements, please contact the DSFIS Programs Coordinator at (360) 417-6351 or toll free 1 (877) 452-9277, ext. 6351.

Tuition and Fees

Current tuition and fee information is published on the college website at www.pencol.edu and at Pirate Central, (360) 417-6340.