

# Getting Started at Pierce College



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With an education from Pierce College, your possibilities are limitless.

Earn your associate's degree. Get on the fast track to transferring to a four-year school. Earn a professional or technical certification in a number of high-demand career fields. Or, become a lifelong learner with our continuing education opportunities.

Take the first step toward making your dreams come true and enroll today!

### [Step 1: Admissions](#)

Submit a Pierce College online admissions form or visit the admissions office. There is a \$25 non-refundable admissions fee for new or returning students (those who have not attended Pierce for four or more consecutive quarters).

### [Step 2: Money for college](#)

Apply for financial aid, including scholarships, grants and loans, and learn about payment options.

### [Step 3: Assessment](#)

Complete the COMPASS assessment prior to meeting with an advisor. This will determine the level of coursework that will help you meet your educational goals.

#### **Step 4: New Student Orientation and Advising**

At the New Student Orientation, you will learn what it's like to be a Pierce College student. You will hear about available resources and support services, meet other new students, and receive information on how to make an appointment with your advisor. New Student Orientation is mandatory for all degree/certificate-seeking students.

#### **Step 5: Register and Pay**

After seeing your advisor, register and pay your tuition and fees. Generally, tuition and fees are due when you register.