



PENINSULA
COLLEGE

INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMS

Where Every Student Counts





Peninsula College

Port Angeles, Washington



WELCOME

We provide individual attention from admissions to graduation.

- Admissions & arrival: Visa, airport pick-up, housing placement
- Getting started: Area and college orientation, testing, registration
- Advising: Immigration & OPT, academic planning and transfer
- Additional support: Personal counseling, tutoring, health insurance
- Activities: Volunteer, clubs, athletics, local trips, community events

Peninsula College Campus

- Sustainably designed, state-of-the-art facilities
- Classrooms equipped with the latest technology
- State-of-the-art library
- Computer, Math, and English labs with tutoring available
- Native American Longhouse “House of Learning”



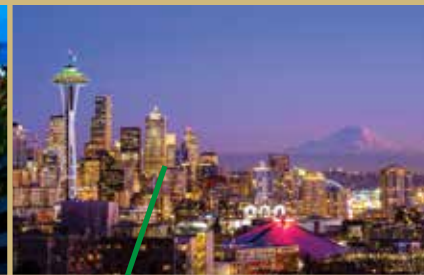
“The buildings and classrooms are very modern with new computers. It is an excellent place to learn. You can make friends with students from many countries.”

— Jingjing (China)



The Olympic Peninsula

- 2.5 hours from Seattle, Washington
- 1.5 hours from Victoria, British Columbia, Canada
- Located at the base of Olympic National Park (UNESCO site)
- Located minutes from the beach
- Beautiful, park-like natural setting
- On bus line



High School Completion (HSC)

In Washington State, students may complete their high school studies at community colleges and attain a High School Diploma at the same time as they complete their Associate Degree program.

Application Requirements

- You must be 16 years or older and have completed the equivalent of the U.S. 10th grade or higher in your home country.
- You must demonstrate passing grades at each completed level of high school.
- You must submit original transcripts for the equivalent of the U.S. 9th and 10th grade.
- English Proficiency: Students qualify for direct admission into our academic program if they meet one of our approved English Proficiency requirements.

High School Completion Diploma Requirements

- You must meet with an academic advisor each quarter and complete an academic plan. After your transcript is evaluated at PC, your required courses for HSC will be listed in your academic plan.
- If you plan to also complete an Associate Degree, your advisor will help you plan to use your HSC courses toward your Associate Degree.
- You are required to earn these minimum ACT test scores — MATH: 16, READING: 13, WRITING: 15, SCIENCE: 16
- The ACT test may be taken at Sequim High School. You must register for the test in advance online.

Underage Requirements

- In the United States, students under the age of 18 are considered to be minors. For the safety and well-being of minors, Peninsula College requires that these students and their parents understand and follow these rules:
- Students who do not have a local guardian in the area must live in a homestay until they turn 18 years old. Read more information on homestays.
- Submit the underage student form when applying for admission.
- You must immediately update the International Student and Faculty Services office if you plan to move.

Graduation

- After completing the program requirements, apply for graduation. An official evaluation must be completed prior to graduation.
- Program graduates receive a State of Washington high school diploma from Peninsula College.

Honors Program

If you are excited to learn, want to study with classmates who share your enthusiasm, and seek an opportunity to work with faculty mentors to explore your unique intellectual interests, the Peninsula College Honors Program is for you.

A One of a Kind Experience

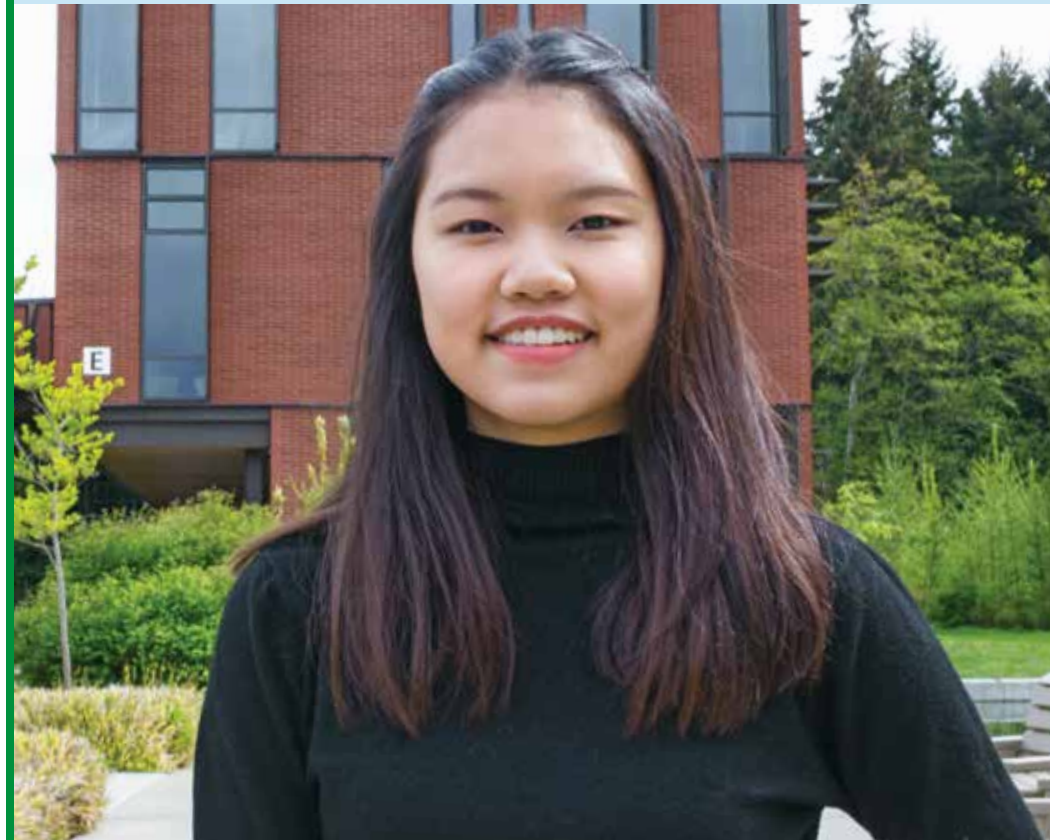
- Unique educational program for highly motivated students who seek to be engaged in an intensive learning process.
- Students develop critical thinking skills as they pursue an Associate of Arts or Associate of Science degree.
- Students graduate with an enriched academic experience, culminating in their Capstone Project.

Capstone Project: A Signature Feature

- Students learn how to integrate knowledge from all their courses and extracurricular experiences and to share their insights with others in the Honors Program.
- Students discover an idea to pursue which becomes a focal point for a capstone project involving research, service learning, artistic expression, or even study abroad.
- Students may work with a faculty mentor on a project the faculty member is conducting, or develop a project that is uniquely their own.

The Honors Program has allowed me to learn more independently and explore with other motivated students. My success in the Honors program will help me transfer to my top choice of university in the U.S.

— Lisa Hoang (Vietnam)





Programs

IELS

2+2 = 4
years at PC years at university Bachelor's Degree

Programs

- Associate in Arts Transfer
- Associate in Business Transfer
- Associate in Science Transfer
- Professional Technical
- High School Completion
- Intensive English

IESL Program

- Small classes (less than 15 students) with highly trained and experienced faculty
- On-campus placement exam (No TOEFL required)
- Guaranteed admission into college-level classes after IELS completion
- College advising, free tutoring, writing and computer labs



Attending Peninsula College was one of the best decisions I have made because those college credits got me straight to second year of university in the United Kingdom.

— Tony Cerda Palmer (Spain)



Student Transfers

Our international students are accepted at prominent universities that offer world-class programs in their preferred fields of study.

- Arizona State University
- Boston University
- Brigham Young University
- Cornell University
- CSU Long Beach
- George Washington University
- Gonzaga University
- Indiana University
- New York University
- Ohio State University
- Pennsylvania State University
- Savannah School of Art & Design
- Seattle University
- Stony Brook University
- UC Irvine
- University of Arizona
- University of California Los Angeles
- University of California San Diego
- University of Florida
- University of Illinois
- University of Maryland
- University of Massachusetts
- University of Minnesota
- University of Pennsylvania
- University of Southern California
- University of Texas
- University of Washington
- University of Wisconsin



Housing and Student Life

Peninsula College offers international students two options for housing: Homestay and off-campus apartments. Our helpful staff will assist to help you select the best option for your lifestyle.

Homestay

- Students are carefully placed in welcoming homestays to satisfy students' desire to learn English, participate in household & local activities, and help learn life skills to become more independent.
- A full homestay includes: 3 meals every day, clean, private room, laundry facilities, internet access, and access to the local bus line.

Near Campus Apartments Through Collegiate Housing International (CHI)

- Spacious units with high speed internet service and laundry facilities are only two blocks from campus

- Fully furnished suites share a bathroom
- Each apartment has a furnished common living area with a kitchen, complete with appliances

Off-Campus Apartments

- Peninsula College refers students who wish to live off campus to a local apartment management source.
- Meals are not provided with the off-campus apartment option.
- Most apartments are located within a short distance from Peninsula College and are accessible by bus.



I have lived with a host family for two years and it has been a great experience. They are really nice and help me to adapt with the new life in America. Staying with my host family has offered me so many opportunities to learn a new language and culture.

— Nhan Tran (Vietnam)



Admission Requirements and Process

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- Completed application form: pencol.edu/international/application
- Translated official copies of all scholastic records
- Proof of finance: statement from a bank, government, or sponsor and notarized Affidavit of Support from sponsor confirming the availability of sufficient funds for at least one year of study (three terms) at Peninsula College. Please see our flyer for the current minimum funds amount.
- \$55 **non-refundable** application fee
- Copy of passport
- Proof of English proficiency
- Submit all documents on the same day to international@pencol.edu
Partial application packets will not be processed

If requirements are met, the I-20 is issued and shipped with the acceptance packet via UPS.

After you receive the I-20 and the acceptance, please:

2

- Pay I-901 SEVIS fee online
- Schedule visa interview online by completing and submitting form DS-160

3

- Prepare for visa interview using Visa Preparation Sheet provided in acceptance packet
- Notify us via email of Visa interview result
- Purchase flight ticket immediately to arrive on **scheduled arrival day at Seattle-Tacoma International Airport**, preferably between 10AM and 2PM
- Email copy of flight ticket
- Pay airport pick up fee and homestay placement fee



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