

YOUR JOB & CAREER CONNECTIONS

We are your Career Center, open to students, alumni, staff, faculty, and community for staff assisted and self-directed services. Visit us at:

FS (Fort Steilacoom) Welcome Center, Cascade bldg. 3rd fl., M-TH 8-5 & F 8-3.

PY (Puyallup) Student Success Center, Gaspard Administration bldg., A106, M-TH 8-5 & F 8-3.

New Workforce Staff

Please help us welcome **Mary Allason**, our new Social Service Mental Health/Criminal Justice Navigator. She brings experience in non-profit administration within social service agencies and the Department of Corrections. She has successfully pioneered new educational programs for adult learners and has worked with special needs populations throughout her career.

A Workforce Navigator serves as a guide within the college system to help students get where they need to go, guide students to the resources and people they need to see to meet their financial needs, and successfully complete their program. Mary will be working closely with program advisers/coordinators in Social Service Mental Health and Criminal Justice. Students will be assigned a faculty advisor as well as have the navigator available for assistance. Mary will be able to assist students with resources that include the following plus many more:

- Complete an education plan in Social Service Mental Health and/or Criminal Justice
- Research career pathways/resources for finding employment or an internship
- Referrals to funding sources

Please help us welcome **Adriana Tsapralis**, our new Workforce Coordinator. Adriana has been a long-time employee of Pierce College but is new to Workforce. She will be supporting students who are participating through BFET and WorkFirst and will spend time at both Pierce College Puyallup and Pierce College Fort Steilacoom. Adriana brings a wealth of experience and knowledge supporting students with academic planning, technical skills, and connecting them to resources on campus. Workforce staff can help students to research and connect to funding sources, meet eligibility requirements for DSHS, connect to Advisors and Navigators for academic planning, and connect to campus and community resources. We are excited to have her on our Workforce team! Contact information can be found in the Workforce Staff Directory on the next page.

Pierce College Veterinary Technician JOB FAIR!

Thursday, March 21, 2019 in the Health Education Center, room 302 between 1 p.m. - 4 p.m.

Please join Pierce College and local veterinary hospitals in the Puget Sound region for a chance to learn more about current career opportunities! Not a technician yet? Representative from the Pierce College Veterinary Technology Program will be present and staffed with current students to help answer questions about the application process and requirements for acceptance! Students attending other Veterinary Technology programs are welcome.

Job & Career Connections is in the Cascade Building at Pierce College Ft. Steilacoom & the Student Success Center at Pierce College Puyallup. Staff are available 8-11 for walk-ins or afternoon appointments as available. See the Workforce staff directory on the attached page. Call 253-964-6265, or visit us at www.pierce.ctc.edu/dist/workforce/

Funding Eligibility: www.startnextquarter.org/

Jobs & Internships: www.myinterfase.com/pierce_ctc/student

Pierce College Job & Career Connections Facebook: www.facebook.com/groups/1151589171538211/

Workforce Staff Directory

Diana Baker, Job & Career Connections/Worker Retraining Manager dbaker@pierce.ctc.edu
253-912-3641 *Available Monday - Friday at FS

Jeanette Miller, Basic Food Employment & Training (BFET)/WorkFirst Manager
jmiller@pierce.ctc.edu 253-912-3740
*Available Monday - Friday at FS

Adriana Tsapralis, Workforce Coordinator
atsapralis@pierce.ctc.edu 253-912-3617 *Available
Tuesday & Friday at FS, Monday at PY

Alexis Burris, Educational Opportunity Center (EOC)
Collocated Staff aburris@pierce.ctc.edu
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*Available Tuesday – Friday at FS, Monday at PY

Annette Sawyer-Sisseck, Business/Accounting
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(C190H/J/F), Wednesday at FS

Denise Green, Workforce Coordinator
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Greg Miller, DSHS Collocated Staff
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*Available Tuesday at FS, Thursday at PY

Gunnar Jaeck, Basic Food Employment & Training (BFET) Coordinator
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Mary Allason, Social Service Mental Health/Criminal Justice Navigator
mallason@pierce.ctc.edu, 253-912-2399 ext. 5884 **Available Wednesday – Friday at FS (W & TH in C381)

Roxanne Cassidy, Puyallup Opportunity Grant/HEET Coordinator
rcassidy@pierce.ctc.edu 253-840-8329
*Available Tuesday – Thursday at PY

Sarah Hoaglin, WorkFirst Coordinator
shoaglin@pierce.ctc.edu 253-912-3617
*Available Monday at FS, Friday at PY

WorkSource Collocated staff 253-964-6798 *Call for availability

Workforce partner Carol Hill, Ft. Steilacoom Opportunity Grant Coordinator
chill@pierce.ctc.edu
253-964-6577 **Available Monday-Friday at FS

*Students, staff, or community members needing assistance can meet with Workforce staff on the days they are available at the campus indicated, generally:
8am-11am for walk-ins or afternoons by appointment.

**Navigators are not always in the Welcome Center or Student Success Center. On those days' hours of availability may differ. Call Workforce partners to find out about their hours of availability.

MDC/EOC

Educational Opportunity Center (EOC) through MDC is at Pierce College! EOC is located in your Job and Career Connections Center in the Cascade Building near the Welcome Center at Ft. Steilacoom. At Puyallup, EOC is located in the Gaspard Administrative building in the Student Success Center. The following is a list of services that you can take advantage of:

- **Filing FAFSA/WASFA**
- **Navigating financial aid forms**
- **Exploring scholarships and other possible funding**
- **GED testing fees**
- **Filling out college applications (if needed)**
- **Exploring educational pathways (Where does the student's interests lie? What do they want to study?)**
- **Career assessment (Strong Interest Inventory)**
- **Job and/or internship searching, resume & cover letter**
- **Navigating community resources**

If you are interested in using any of these services, contact Alexis Burris at 253-722-3429 or aburris@pierce.ctc.edu. Walk in hours are from 8-11 am and by appointment only in the afternoon.

VIE 25

Active Duty Military members who will be transitioning from the military in the next year may be able to participate in VIE 25. This initiative enables approved service members to take approximately the last 3-6 months of their active duty to go to school fulltime to complete a degree or certificate. Service members must apply for VIE 25 and be approved by their command to participate. Interested service members can contact Diana Baker to learn more about the program and potential funding for VIE 25.

Save the Date! 2019 Pierce College Employment & Education Fairs

Join us on *May 8th* at Pierce College Fort Steilacoom from 9am to Noon in the Cascade Building, 3rd and 4th floors and *May 15th* at Pierce College Puyallup from 9am to Noon in the College Center, 1st and 2nd floors.

To view a list of registered employers and the positions they are recruiting for go to:

www.myinterfase.com/pierce_ctc/student and select the events tab. Some employers may only be at one campus and more employers will be added as we get closer to the events. This event is free for students and job seekers and open to the public. Employer registration is required.