

P I E R C E C O L L E G E

STUDENT HANDBOOK

2024 - 25

+ Monthly Term Planner

*Painting by
Alejandra Cauichucan*

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THIS HANDBOOK BELONGS TO:

2024-25 ACADEMIC CALENDAR

AT A GLANCE

SUMMER TERM 2024

JULY 1	Summer term begins	FS/PY	JBLM
JULY 4	Fourth of July holiday**		
AUG. 22	Last day of instruction	FS/PY	JBLM

FALL TERM 2024

SEPT. 23	Fall term session 1 begins	FS/PY	JBLM
OCT. 7	Fall term session 2 begins	FS/PY	JBLM
OCT. 14	Indigenous People's Day*, JBLM closed**		
OCT. 28	Winter registration begins (current students)		
OCT. 29	No classes*, student services closed		
NOV. 11	Veterans Day*, JBLM closed**		
NOV. 12	Winter registration begins (new students)		
NOV. 26	Last day of instruction (session 1)	JBLM	
NOV. 27	No classes*		
NOV. 28-29	Thanksgiving and Native American Heritage Day**		
DEC. 6	Last day of instruction	FS/PY	
DEC. 9-11	Final exams	FS/PY	
DEC. 11	Last day of instruction (session 2)	FS/PY	JBLM

WINTER TERM 2025

JAN. 6	Winter term session 1 begins	FS/PY	JBLM
JAN. 20	Martin Luther King, Jr. Day**		
JAN. 22	Winter term session 2 begins	FS/PY	JBLM
JAN. 30	No class*, student services closed		

WINTER TERM 2025 (CONTINUED)

JAN. 31	No classes**		
FEB. 3	Spring registration begins (current students)		
FEB. 17	Presidents' Day**		
FEB. 18	Spring registration begins (new students)		
MARCH 12	Last day of instruction (session 1)	JBLM	
MARCH 20	Last day of instruction	FS/PY	
MARCH 21, 24-25	Final exams	FS/PY	
MARCH 25	Last day of instruction (session 2)	FS/PY	JBLM

SPRING TERM 2025

APRIL 7	Spring term session 1 begins	FS/PY	JBLM
APRIL 21	Spring term session 2 begins	FS/PY	JBLM
MAY 9	No classes**		
MAY 12	Summer/fall registration begins (current students)		
MAY 26	Memorial Day**		
MAY 27	Summer/fall registration begins (new students)		
JUNE 6	Last day of instruction (session 1)	JBLM	
JUNE 17	Last day of instruction	FS/PY	
JUNE 18, 20	Final exams	FS/PY	
JUNE 19	Juneteenth holiday**		
JUNE 20	Last day of instruction (session 2)	FS/PY	JBLM
JUNE 20	Graduation	FS/PY	

*No classes, college open **College closed

Calendars subject to change. Emergency closures due to inclement weather and other emergencies will be relayed to major local radio and TV stations. Information will also be posted to the Pierce College website at www.pierce.ctc.edu. Visit www.pierce.ctc.edu/safety-notification to sign up for emergency notifications text alerts.



For updated information on events and activities, go to
www.pierce.ctc.edu/calendar



VISION

Possibilities realized:
Innovative and engaged learners enriching our local and global communities.

MISSION

Pierce College creates quality educational opportunities for a diverse community of learners to thrive in an evolving world.

CORE THEMES

- Access
- Excellence
- Contribution to the Community
- Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion
- Student Learning and Success

CORE VALUES

- Learning
- Integrity
- Respect
- Accountability
- Sustainability

Cover art
Alejandra Cauichucan
Morning Bliss, 2022
Acrylic on canvas
Alejandra Cauichucan is a Pierce College alumna from Gresham, Oregon. Her acrylic painting, *Morning Bliss*, is inspired by the art of contemporary impressionist, Cara Moran. Cauichucan said *Morning Bliss* represents the moment of silence at the dawn of a new day when anything is possible. Cauichucan plans to pursue a bachelor's degree in education.

CAREER PATHWAYS GUIDE



YOUR ROADMAP TO SUCCESS

Guided Pathways help you earn your degree faster. We offer one-to-one advising to help you customize your path and support your success. Whether you've chosen a career or you're still deciding, Pierce College provides easy-to-use tools to help you explore and set career goals. And, if you change your mind along the way, your support network will help you find the career path that's right for you.

PIERCE COLLEGE CAREER PATHWAY AREAS

Arts, Humanities, and Communication • Business • Education • Healthcare • STEM • Social and Behavioral Sciences, and Public Services

EXPLORE CAREER PATHWAYS



Not sure which career path to pursue? Check out the career exploration tools to discover pathways that fit your interests and skills.



Each Career Pathway includes programs of study. The program you choose is your specific focus within the Career Pathway. Programs of study are listed on the Career Pathways web pages and in the college catalog.



A course map is a sequence of courses designed by Pierce College faculty to meet the requirements for each program of study and earn a degree or certificate. Course maps are available in the college catalog and on the Career Pathways web pages.

CREATE A PLAN

You will work one-on-one with a student success coach who will help you create customized plans to support your success.



Your **Starfish Degree Planner** is your customized schedule of courses and activities needed for graduation. It will keep you informed of your progress towards degree or certificate completion.



A funding plan will help you stay on track paying for college.



A success support plan will help you balance your academic life with issues such as transportation, work scheduling, child care and more.

CONNECT WITH SUPPORT



Throughout your time at Pierce College, you'll be connected with a support network of instructors, student success coaches, financial planning advisors, tutors, and support services, all focused on your academic success.

CONTACT US

Learn more at www.pierce.ctc.edu/pathways.

PIERCE COLLEGE

CAREER PATHWAYS



ARTS AND COMMUNICATION

Communication Studies	Music Performance	<i>and other related career fields</i>
Digital Design	Philosophy/Ethics	
Information and Library Studies	Theatre	
Journalism	Visual Arts	
Literature	World Languages (French, Spanish, Korean, ASL)	
Music Education	Writing Studies	



BUSINESS

Accounting	Integrated Business Technology
Administrative Assistant	Office Assistant
Business Management	Project Management
Computer Science	<i>and other related career fields</i>
Construction Management	
Economics	



EDUCATION

Child Care Aid, Teacher, Director	Elementary School Teacher	Paraeducator
Child Care Licenser	Family Child Care Provider	Preschool Teacher
Early Achievers Coach/Mentor	Head Start Teacher	Special Education Teacher
Early Interventionist	High School Teacher	Specialist Teacher (Music, PE, Art, ELL, Bilingual Education, Tech, World Languages)
Education Coordinator	Home Visitor	<i>and other related career fields</i>
	Kindergarten Teacher	
	Middle School Teacher	



HEALTHCARE

Administrative Assistant	Management & Design	Nursing Assistant Certified
Dental Hygiene	Kinesiology	Physical Therapy Assistant
Emergency Medical Services	Medical Billing and Coding	Physicians Assistant
Health Informatics and Integrated Technology	Medical Office Assistant	Veterinary Technology
Healthcare Database	Medicine (pre-Med, pre-Dental, etc)	<i>and other related career fields</i>
	Nursing	



SOCIAL AND BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES, PUBLIC SERVICES

Anthropology	Emergency Management	<i>and other related career fields</i>
Criminal Justice	Occupational Safety & Health	
Environmental Studies	Political Science	
Fire Command & Administration	Psychology	
Geography	Social Service/Mental Health	
History	Sociology	
	Urban Studies	



SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING, MATH

Anthropology	Computer Science	Geography
Application Development	Computer Systems	Geology
Astronomy	Administration	Math
Atmospheric Science	Data Science	Mechanical Engineer
Biology	Database Management & Design	Meteorology
Chemistry	Electrical Engineer	Microbiology
Civil Engineer	Engineering	Oceanography
Computer Network Engineering	Environmental Science	Physics
		<i>and other related career fields</i>

PROGRAMS

UNIVERSITY TRANSFER DEGREES

If your goal is a bachelor's degree or beyond, it makes sense to attend Pierce College for your first two years. You'll pay a fraction of the cost for the same education and enjoy small class sizes and hands-on learning.

Associate in Arts (AA-DTA)
Associate in Science (AS-T)
■ AS-T Track 1 for science pre-majors in biological sciences, chemistry, environmental/resource sciences, geology and earth science
■ AS-T Track 2 for science pre-majors in engineering, computer science, physics and atmospheric sciences
Associate in Biology (DTA/MRP)
Associate in Business (DTA/MRP)
Associate in Construction Management (DTA/MRP)
Associate in Math Education (DTA/MRP)
Associate in Music (DTA/MRP)
Associate in Pre-Nursing (DTA/MRP)

BACHELOR OF APPLIED SCIENCE DEGREES

Pierce College now offers the following six Bachelor of Applied Science degrees:

BAS in Applied Business Management (BAS-ABM)** – A cohort-based, full-time, two-year program. Gain 21st century technical, transferable and lifelong-learning skills employers demand.

BAS in Construction Management** – Students who complete the Associate in Construction Management can seamlessly transition into the Bachelor of Applied Science in Construction Management (BAS CM). The BAS CM provides greater depth into the skills and knowledge needed to gain employment within the construction management field.

BAS in Dental Hygiene** – This program enjoys national acclaim and recognition for consistently graduating clinically skilled and intellectually strong dental hygienists.

BAS in Fire Services Leadership and Management** – This professional development program trains existing fire service professionals to navigate the administrative, technical and operational demands of fire departments.

BAS in Emergency Management** – This online and hybrid program is part of a guided career pathway designed to prepare students to become 21st century emergency management professionals.

BAS in Teaching** – This degree leads to teacher licensure with dual endorsements in both P-3 education and P-3 special education. The program was designed with best practices in teacher preparation in mind.

TRANSITIONAL EDUCATION

Whether you need to finish your high school diploma or learn English, Pierce College has a program to help you build your educational foundation.

Pierce College Adult Diploma (PCAD)
Basic Education for Adults (BeDA)
English as a Second Language (ESL)
General Education Development (GED)

* Applied Science – Transfer Degree (AAS-T)

** Special admissions procedures apply

^ Collaboration with Edmonds Community College

^^ Collaboration with Whatcom Community College

+ Collaboration with the Tacoma Fire Department

++ Associate in Science (AS)

PROFESSIONAL/TECHNICAL DEGREES AND CERTIFICATES

Pierce College's professional/technical degrees and certificates are designed to provide students with the technical and related skills needed for successful employment.

DEGREES	CERTIFICATES (CONTINUED)
Administrative Assistant Medical Office	Criminal Justice
Administrative Office Assistant	Disaster Risk Management
Applied Accounting	Emergency Medical Services
Applied Business (AAS)	EMT
Applied Business (AAS-T)*	Emergency Management
Computer Network Engineering	Explorer/Cadet Pre-Law Enforcement
Construction Management	Fitness Coach
Criminal Justice	Forensic Technology
Data Management & Analytics	Healthcare Information Technology
Digital Design	Healthcare Emergency Management
Early Childhood Education (AAS-T)*	Human Resource Management
Emergency Management	Medical Billing and Coding
EMS Paramedic	Microsoft On-Premises and Cloud Systems Administration
Fire Services Leadership and Management (FSLM)	Personal Training
Health Information Technology & Analytics	Project Management
Kinesiology (AAS-T)*	Project Management Short Certificate
Medical Billing and Coding	Sales
Military Technology and Leadership (AT)	Social Media Marketing
Network Engineering and Cybersecurity	Social Service/Behavioral Health
New Media and Digital Design	State Early Childhood Education
Nursing (AAS)	State Initial Early Childhood Education
Occupational Safety and Health (AAS-T)^*	State Initial Paraeducation
Office Management	State Paraeducation
Paraeducation (AAS-T)*	State Short Early Childhood Certificate of Specialization - Administration
Physical Therapist Assistant^^++	State Short Early Childhood Certificate of Specialization - Family Child Care
Social Service/Behavioral Health	State Short Early Childhood Certificate of Specialization - General
Veterinary Technology**	State Short Early Childhood Certificate of Specialization - Home Visitor/Family Engagement
	State Short Early Childhood Certificate of Specialization - Infant Toddler Care
	State Short Early Childhood Education Certificate of Specialization - Outdoor Learning
	State Short Early Childhood Education Certificate of Specialization - School-Age Care
	Supervision and Management
	Tribal Emergency Management
	UX/UI Design

MONEY FOR COLLEGE

Pierce College provides students with a variety of options to assist with financing their education.

FINANCIAL AID 253-964-6544 Financialaid@pierce.ctc.edu www.pierce.ctc.edu/financial-aid

Financial aid comes in many forms: grants, loans, work-study, and scholarships.

Follow these steps to apply for aid:

1. Determine which application you should complete (FAFSA or WASFA) you will first need to fill out the WASFA Questionnaire at <https://wsac.wa.gov/WASFAelig>.
 - If the questionnaire determines you need to complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) visit www.studentaid.gov/fafsa [School Code: 005000]. The college(s) or program(s) you choose on the FAFSA will also determine your eligibility for state aid.
 - If the questionnaire determines you need to complete the Washington Application for State Financial Aid visit www.wsac.wa.gov/wasfa [School Code: 005000].
2. Log in to your ctcLink Student Homepage and click on the Financial Aid tile:
 - Check the status of your financial aid award offer.
 - Verify there are no outstanding documents needed to finalize your award offer.
 - Review your award amounts.
 - Review the disbursement of funds
3. Manage your financial aid, review financial aid Institutional Form (Terms and Conditions).

Communication of financial aid status will be sent to the student's preferred email address and ctcLink Message Center.

• GRANTS
Federal, state and Pierce College grants are awarded to eligible students with financial need (as determined by the FAFSA/WASFA).

• STUDENT LOANS
Federal Student Loans: Federal Direct Stafford Loans are available to students who complete a FAFSA. There are two types of Stafford Loans: subsidized and unsubsidized. Subsidized Direct Stafford Loans are based on financial need. Subsidized loans do not accrue interest while you are enrolled at least half-time. Unsubsidized Direct Stafford Loans are not need-based. Unsubsidized Stafford Loans will accrue interest after being disbursed to your student account. Both must be repaid.

Private Student Loans: Private student loans are nonfederal loans made by a private lender. Examples of lenders are student loan companies, banks, credit unions, state agencies, and schools.

• WORK STUDY
www.pierce.ctc.edu/workstudy
Federal and state work study programs provide part-time employment (on or off campus) to students based on financial need.

SCHOLARSHIPS 253-864-3370 www.pierce.ctc.edu/scholarships

Scholarships are available through the Pierce College Foundation, as well as outside organizations. Eligibility requirements vary, but those applying for Foundation scholarships must be taking at least 10 credits and have a 2.0 or higher GPA.

TUITION INSTALLMENT PLAN (TIP/FIP)
FS: 253-964-6700
PY: 253-840-8405
www.pierce.ctc.edu/tuition-tip
The Tuition Installment Plan (TIP) and the Fee Installment Plan (FIP) are programs that allow you to pay for your education in interest-free installments that make budgeting the costs of your education easier. Payments are made in three installments. (Payments are adjusted depending on the time the plan is started.) There is a nonrefundable enrollment fee of \$25.

VETERANS SERVICES
FS: 253-964-6505
PY: 253-864-3194
www.pierce.ctc.edu/veterans
The VA offers educational benefits programs for veterans, dependents, reservists and National Guard members. Veterans Educational Benefits Offices at FS/PY can assist with applying for and maintaining these benefits.

MILITARY TUITION ASSISTANCE
JBLM: 253-964-6567
www.pierce.ctc.edu/jblm-funding
Military Tuition Assistance is a benefit paid to eligible members of the Army, Navy, Marines, Air Force, Space Force, and Coast Guard. Each service has its own criteria for eligibility, obligated service, application processes and restrictions. This funding is usually paid directly to the institution by the individual services. Contact your servicing education center to initiate your benefit.

FOSTER CARE ALUMNI
FS: 253-964-6577
www.wsac.wa.gov/passport-to-careers
Students age 24 and younger, who were in foster care or were wards of the courts, may be eligible for special scholarship funding.

START NEXT QUARTER
253-964-6265
www.startnextquarter.org
A free, online survey tool for identifying possible eligibility for Workforce funding and resources.

BASIC FOOD, EMPLOYMENT AND TRAINING (BFET)
253-964-6264
www.pierce.ctc.edu/workforce-bfet
Students who receive SNAP (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program) benefits and participate in the BFET program may fulfill their DSHS participation requirements by going to school. Services may include assistance with tuition, books, and supports services, as well as qualifying for DSHS-subsidized childcare.

OPPORTUNITY GRANT
253-840-8329
www.pierce.ctc.edu/scholarships-oppgrant
Funding may be available for tuition and fees for approved professional/technical programs. Visit the website for eligible programs and requirements.

WORKER RETRAINING
253-964-6265
www.pierce.ctc.edu/workforce-retraining
Worker Retraining funds may be available for tuition and books for individuals currently receiving or within the past 48 months have received Unemployment Insurance, dislocated workers, displaced homemakers, recently separated veterans or active duty soon to separate and enrolled in professional/technical programs. See the program website for program qualifications and details.

WORKFIRST
253-912-3617
www.pierce.ctc.edu/workforce-workfirst
Students who receive Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) benefits and participate in the WorkFirst program may fulfill their DSHS participation requirements by going to school. Services may include assistance with tuition, books, and supports services, as well as qualifying for DSHS-subsidized childcare.

GRADING SYSTEM AND POLICY

Pierce College's grading system provides a permanent record reflecting student performance and achievement. Grades are reported as decimals to the nearest tenth. Grade point averages (GPA) are computed to the nearest hundredth. The numeric grades shown in the columns below will appear on the student record. The letter grades are an approximate equivalency guide to the official Pierce College decimal grades.

Specific decimal grades may be required to meet a class prerequisite, maintain good academic standing, receive credit toward a degree, and meet various program-specific requirements.

NUMERIC GRADE	LETTER GRADE EQUIVALENT
4.0 - 3.9	A
3.8 - 3.5	A-
3.4 - 3.2	B+
3.1 - 2.9	B
2.8 - 2.5	B-
2.4 - 2.2	C+
2.1 - 1.9	C
1.8 - 1.5	C-
1.4 - 1.2	D+
1.1 – 1.0	D (lowest passing grade)
0.0	F Indicates student did not do passing work in the course, did not attend during the term, or did not officially

GRADE POINT AVERAGE (GPA)
Grade point averages are calculated by dividing the grade points by the credit hours completed.

EXAMPLE		
HIST& 156	5 credits x 2.2 (grade) =	11.0 grade points
PSYC& 100	5 credits x 3.7 (grade) =	18.5 grade points
MATH&107	5 credits x 2.6 (grade) =	13 grade points
COLLG 110	3 credits x 3.8 (grade) =	11.4 grade points
TOTAL	18 credits	53.9 grade points
53.9 grade points divided by 18.0 credits = 2.99 GPA		

- GRADE SYMBOLS**
- * Grade missing or not yet issued.**
 - I Incomplete:** Issued when a student has been delayed in completing the required work. To receive an "I" the student and instructor sign an Incomplete Contract by the last day of the instructional term. Time limit for removal of "I" grade is determined by the instructor, but not to exceed four terms following the term in which the grade was issued. An "I" grade on a transcript after one year (four terms) will be automatically converted to a "0.0" without instructor input.
 - NC No Credit:** Faculty-initiated grade. This grade is not computed in the grade point average and cannot be changed.
 - P/NP Pass/No Pass:** Not computed in GPA.
 - S Satisfactory:** Indicates the student is making satisfactory progress but has not completed all the competencies for a given level of instruction. No credit is awarded. The "S" grade is used only for ABE and ESL classes numbered under 100. Courses with "S" grade designators cannot be applied toward any degree or certificate program.
 - W Withdrawal:** Student-initiated by following official withdrawal procedures.
 - WE Excused Withdrawal:** Administrative withdrawal issued by the college when a student has extenuating circumstances. Students must petition to the Registrar.



PARC
www.pierce.ctc.edu/help
The Pierce Advocacy and Resource Connections (PARC) webpage provides information on available campus and community resources such as:

- BIPOC Resources**
- Childcare**
- Community Reentry**
- Crisis Services**
- Employment**
- Food & Hygiene**
- Health & Wellness**
- Housing & Utilities**
- Immigration**
- Legal Aid**
- LGBTQIA2S+ Resources**
- Military & Veteran Services**
- Technology**
- Transportation**
- And More!**

Would you like support in connecting to resources? Our Basic Needs Team is ready to help! Reach us at 253-864-3190 or BasicNeeds@pierce.ctc.edu.

CONNECT TO YOUR SUCCESS!

Your success depends a lot on you being connected to communication tools and the technology you need.

Be engaged and proactive! You need to stay informed about important information being sent to you.

Regularly check in on:

CTCLINK
www.pierce.ctc.edu/ctclink
Check for important messages in Message Center, check your account balance, manage your classes

STARFISH
www.starfishpierce.ctc.edu/starfish
Stay up to date with your degree progress, connect to your Support Network, reach out for support

YOUR PREFERRED EMAIL
Messages will be sent to the email you set as preferred in ctcLink

Use the technology and resources that will help you succeed!

MYPIERCE (Student Portal)
www.my.pierce.ctc.edu/WebApps/MyPierce

CANVAS
www.pierce.ctc.edu/canvas

STUDENT EMAIL/OFFICE 365
www.pierce.ctc.edu/student-email

- PRINTING AND WIRELESS INTERNET**
- WiFi Access: Choose network titled "Pierce WiFi"
 - Username: First letter of first name + last name + last 4 digits of ctcLink ID
 - Password: PCD! + birthdate YYYYMMDD (example: PCD!19980523; 19980523= May 23, 1998)

Technological Assistance

STUDENT TECHNOLOGY ASSISTANCE TEAM (STAT)
FS: 253-964-6310 | OLY 301
PY: 253-840-8437 | CTR 272
STAT@pierce.ctc.edu
www.pierce.ctc.edu/computer-labs

CLASS SCHEDULE WORKSHEET

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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NOTES:

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1 SUMMER TERM BEGINS	2	3	4 Independence Day COLLEGE CLOSED	5	6
7	8	9 Martyrdom of the Báb	10	11	12	13 Ullambana
14	15	16	17 Ashura Muharram	18 Nelson Mandela International Day	19	20
21 Dharma Day	22	23	24	25	26 Americans with Disabilities Act Day	27
28	29	30	31			

JUNE 2024						
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AUGUST 2024						
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25	26	27	28	29	30	31

NOTES:

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9 <div>International Day of the World's Indigenous People</div>	10
11	12 <div>International Youth Day</div>	13 <div>Tisha B'Av Ullambana</div>	14	15	16	17
18	19 <div>World Humanitarian Day</div>	20	21 <div>Senior Citizen Day</div>	22 <div>Last day of instruction summer term FS/PY JBLM</div>	23 <div>International Day for the Remembrance of the Slave Trade and its Abolition</div>	24
25	26 <div>Women's Equality Day Krishna Janmashtami</div>	27	28	29	30	31

JULY 2024

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28	29	30	31			

SEPTEMBER 2024

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15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30					

NOTES:

Cultural Calendar Language

Pierce College invites you to reflect on, celebrate and learn more about the diversity of our college community through these holidays and days of observance. Check out our cultural calendar at www.pierce.ctc.edu/calendar/cultural

Do you have an observance you would like to suggest for the Cultural Calendar? Please email webupdates@pierce.ctc.edu with your suggestions and feedback.

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 <div>Gur-Gaddi Guru Granth Sahib</div>	2	3	4	5 <div>International Day of Charity</div>	6	7 <div>Ganesh Chaturthi</div>
8 <div>International Literacy Day</div>	9 <div>Labor Day</div> <div>COLLEGE CLOSED</div>	10 <div>World Suicide Prevention Day</div>	11	12	13	14
15	16 <div>Mawlid Al-Nabi</div>	17 <div>Constitution Day and Citizenship Day</div>	18	19	20	21 <div>International Day of Peace</div> <div>Mawlid Al-Nabi</div>
22 <div>Equinox</div> <div>First day of fall</div>	23 <div>Bi Visibility Day</div> <div>FALL TERM SESSION 1 BEGINS</div> <div>FS/PY JBLM</div> <div>Student Life Fall Welcome Days</div> <div>Activities and college resources available</div>	24	25	26	27	28
29	30					

AUGUST 2024

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18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31

OCTOBER 2024

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26	27	28	29	30	31	

NOTES:

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
LGBT History Month Bullying Prevention Month National Disability Employment Awareness Month		1	2International Day of Non-Violence	3Rosh Hashanah Navaratri	4	5World Teacher's Day
6	7FALL TERM SESSION 2 BEGINS FS/PY JBLM	8	9	10	11National Coming out Day	12Yom Kippur Dussehre/Dass Era Día De La Raza
13	14National Indigenous Peoples Day Columbus Day NO CLASSES, FS/PY open, JBLM closed	15	16	17International Day for the Eradication of Poverty Sukkot	18	19
20	21	22	23	24Shemini Atzeret United Nations Day	25Simchat Torah	26
27	28Winter registration begins (current students)	29NO CLASSES, FS/PY/JBLM student services closed	30	31Halloween Reformation Day Bandi-Chhor Diwas		

SEPTEMBER 2024

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1	2	3	4	5	6	7
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National Adoption Month					1 <div>Diwali All Saints' Day</div>	2 <div>Birth of the Báb All Souls' Day</div>
3 <div>Birth of Bahá'u'lláh</div>	4	5 <div>Election Day</div>	6	7	8	9 <div>Kristallnacht</div>
10	11 <div>Veterans Day NO CLASSES, FS/PY open, JBLM closed</div>	12 <div>Winter registration begins (new students)</div>	13	14	15 <div>Guru Nanak Dev Ji's Birthday</div>	16 <div>International Day for Tolerance</div>
17	18 <div>American Education Week</div>	19	20 <div>Transgender Day of Remembrance</div>	21	22	23
24	25	26 <div>Day of the Covenant Last day of instruction fall term session 1 JBLM</div>	27 <div>NO CLASSES, COLLEGE OPEN Faculty Research and Planning Day (RPD)</div>	28 <div>Thanksgiving COLLEGE CLOSED</div>	29 <div>Native American Heritage Day COLLEGE CLOSED</div>	30

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1 <div>World AIDS Day Advent</div>	2	3 <div>International Day of Persons with Disabilities</div>	4	5	6 <div>Last day of instruction fall terms FS/PY</div>	7 <div>Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day</div>
8 <div>Bodhi Day</div>	9 <div>Final Exams fall terms FS/PY</div>	10 <div>International Human Rights Day Final Exams fall terms FS/PY</div>	11 <div>Final Exams fall terms FS/PY Last day of instruction fall term session 2 JBLM</div>	12 <div>Our Lady of Guadalupe</div>	13	14
15 <div>Bill of Rights Day</div>	16	17	18	19	20	21 <div>Winter Solstice</div>
22	23	24 <div>Christmas Eve</div>	25 <div>Hanukkah begins Christmas Day COLLEGE CLOSED</div>	26 <div>Kwanzaa begins</div>	27	28
29 <div>Wounded Knee Day</div>	30	31 <div>New Year's Eve</div>				

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			1 <div>New Year's Day Kwanzaa ends</div> <div>COLLEGE CLOSED</div>	2 <div>Hanukkah ends</div>	3	4 <div>World Braille Day</div>
5	6 <div>Epiphany Theophany</div> <div>WINTER TERM SESSION 1 BEGINS FS/PY JBLM</div> <div>Student Life Welcome Days: Activities and college resources available</div>	7 <div>Christmas (Eastern Christian)</div>	8	9	10	11
12	13	14 <div>Mahayana New Year Makar Sankranti</div>	15	16	17	18
19	20 <div>Martin Luther King, Jr. Day No Name-Calling Week Guru Gobind Singh Ji's Birthday</div> <div>NO CLASSES, COLLEGE CLOSED</div>	21	22 <div>WINTER TERM SESSION 2 BEGINS FS/PY JBLM</div>	23	24	25
26	27 <div>International Holocaust Remembrance Day</div>	28	29 <div>Lunar New Year</div>	30 <div>NO CLASSES, student services closed Faculty Assessment Day</div>	31 <div>NO CLASSES, COLLEGE CLOSED All District In-service Day</div>	

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
						1 <div>National Freedom Day</div> <div>First Day of Black History Month</div>
2	3 <div>Spring registration begins (current students)</div>	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12 <div>Tu B'Shvat</div> <div>Magha Puja</div>	13	14 <div>Valentine's Day</div>	15
16	17 <div>Presidents' Day</div> <div>NO CLASSES, COLLEGE CLOSED</div>	18 <div>Spring registration begins (new students)</div>	19	20 <div>World Day of Social Justice</div>	21	22
23	24	25 <div>Ayyám-i-Há or Intercalary Days begins</div> <div>Maha Shivaratri</div>	26	27	28 <div>Ayyám-i-Há or Intercalary Days ends</div> <div>Nineteen-Day Fast</div> <div>Ramadan</div>	29

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2	3 <i>Clean Monday</i>	4 <i>Shrove Tuesday</i>	5 <i>Ash Wednesday</i>	6	7	8 <i>International Women's Day</i>
9 <i>Daylight Saving Time Begins</i>	10	11	12 Last day of instruction winter term session 1 JBLM	13 <i>Purim</i> <i>Holi</i>	14 <i>Pi Day</i> <i>Hola Mohalla</i>	15 <i>Nirvana Day</i> <i>Susan B. Anthony Day</i>
16	17 <i>St. Patrick's Day</i>	18 <i>International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination</i>	19	20 <i>Spring Equinox</i> <i>Nowrúz</i> Last day of instruction winter terms FS/PY	21 <i>International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination</i> Final Exams winter terms FS/PY	22
23 <i>Palm Sunday</i> <i>Passover starts</i>	24 Final Exams winter terms FS/PY	25 Final Exams winter terms FS/PY Last day of instruction winter term session 2 JBLM	26 <i>Khordad Sal</i>	27 <i>Lailat al-Qadr</i>	28 <i>Good Friday</i>	29
30	31 <i>César Chávez Day</i> <i>Eid al-Fitr</i>					

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Arab–American Heritage Month Genocide Awareness Month National Poetry Month		1 <i>April Fools' Day</i>	2 <i>World Autism Awareness Day</i>		4	5
6 <i>Rama Navami</i>	7 <div>SPRING TERM SESSION 1 BEGINS FS/PY JBLM <i>Student Life Welcome Days</i> <i>Activities and college resources available</i></div>	8	9	10	11 <i>Day of Silence</i>	12 <i>Passover</i>
13 <i>Theravada New Year Palm Sunday</i>	14 <i>Vaisakhi</i>	15 <i>Emancipation Day</i>	16	17 <i>Holy Thursday</i>	18 <i>Good Friday Holy Friday</i>	19
20 <i>Easter, Passover ends Pascha</i>	21 <i>Festival of Ridván</i> <div>SPRING TERM SESSION 2 BEGINS FS/PY JBLM</div>	22 <i>Earth Day</i>	23 <i>Yom Hashoah</i>	24 <i>Armenian Martyrs' Day</i>	25	26
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Jewish–American Heritage Month				1	2	3 <small>Word Press Freedom Day</small>
4	5 <small>International Worker's Day Cinco de Mayo</small>	6	7	8	9 <small>NO CLASSES District In-service Day</small>	10
11 <small>Mother's Day</small>	12 <small>Visakha Puja</small> Summer/fall registration begins (current students)	13	14	15 <small>Lag B'Omer</small>	16	17
18	19	20	21 <small>World Day for Cultural Diversity</small>	22 <small>Declaration of the Báb</small>	23	24
25	26 <small>Memorial Day</small> NO CLASSES, COLLEGE CLOSED	27 <small>Ascension of Bahá'u'lláh</small> Summer/fall registration begins (new students)	28	29 <small>Ascension Day</small>	30	31

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 <div>Shavuot</div>	2	3	4	5 <div>World Environment Day</div>	6 <div>Eid al-Adha</div> <div>Last day of instruction spring term session 1 JBLM</div>	7
8 <div>Pentecost</div>	9	10	11	12 <div>Anne Frank Day National Loving Day</div>	13	14 <div>Flag Day</div>
15 <div>Father's Day All Saint's Day</div>	16	17 <div>Last day of instruction spring terms FS/PY</div>	18 <div>Final Exams spring terms FS/PY</div>	19 <div>Juneteenth</div> <div>COLLEGE CLOSED</div>	20 <div>Summer Solstice World Refugee Day</div> <div>GRADUATION</div> <div>Final Exams spring terms FS/PY</div> <div>Last day of instruction sping term session 2 JBLM</div>	21
22	23	24	25	26 <div>World Refugee Day Anniversary of Legalization of Same-Sex Marriage in the U.S.</div>	27	28
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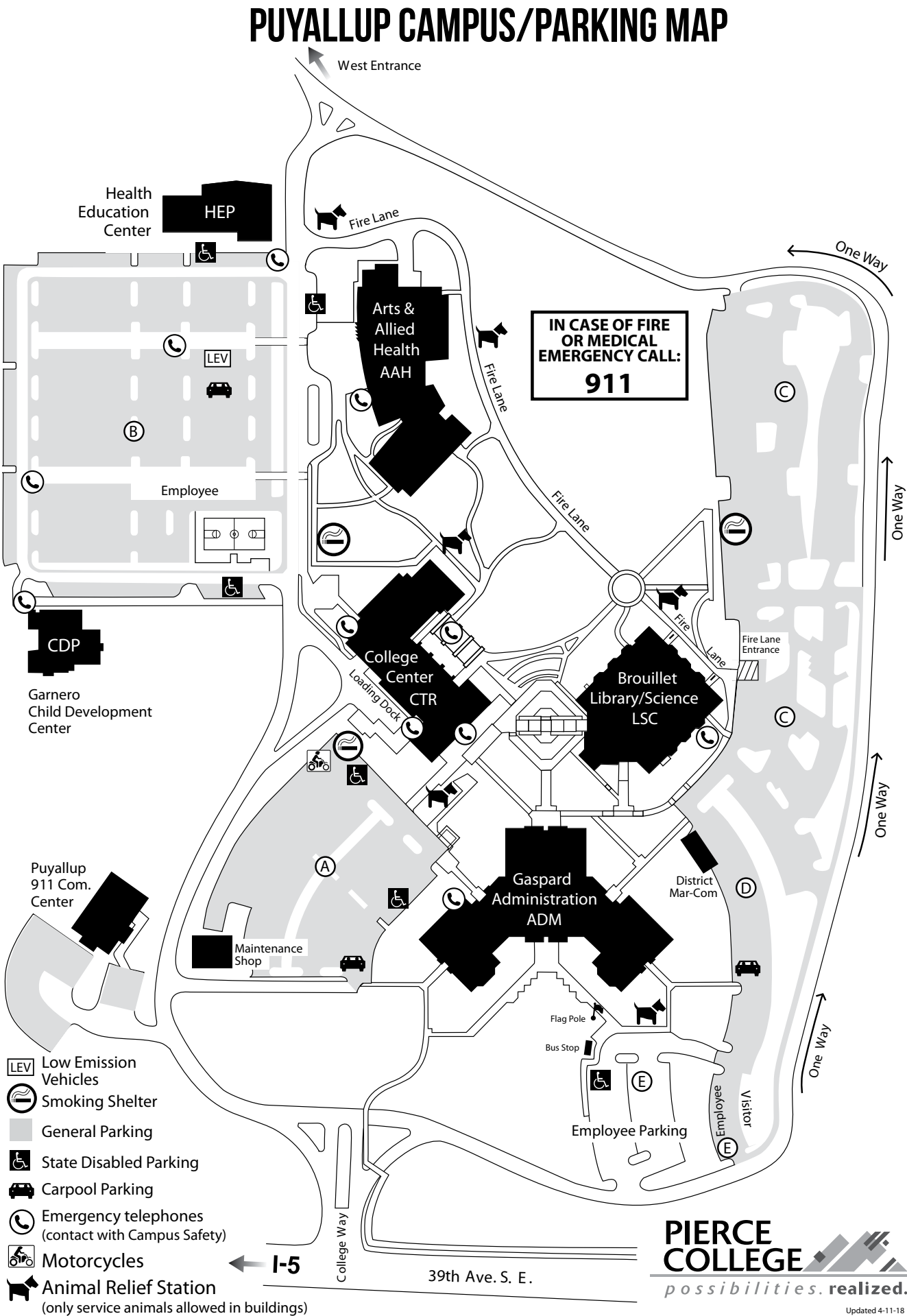
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FOR INFORMATION ON ...	GO TO ...	ROOM	PHONE
Access & Disability Services	Student Success Center ads@pierce.ctc.edu	ADM 106	964-6468
Admissions	Enrollment Services	ADM 115	964-6501
Adult Basic Education	Student Success Center	ADM 106	840-8463
Advising	Student Success Center	ADM 106	840-8431
Advisor Change	Student Success Center	ADM 106	840-8431
Athletics	Health Education Center	HEP	864-3316
Bookstore	College Center	CTR 240	840-8411
Campus Safety	Campus Safety	ADM 117	444-0325
Career Guidance	Student Success Center	ADM 106	840-8431
Cashier/Payments	Cashier's Office	ADM 118B	840-8405
Chancellor's Office	Gaspard Building	ADM 108	864-3100
Child Development Center	Garnero Building		864-3302
Clubs & Organizations	Student Life	CTR 210	840-8487
Computer Lab	College Center	CTR 272	840-8437
Continuing Education	Library Building	LSC 133	840-8452
Counseling	Student Success Center	ADM 105	840-8431
Course Maps	Website	www.pierce.ctc.edu	
Design Studio	Arts and Allied Health Bldg.	AAH 132	864-3267
Divisions:			
Arts & Humanities	Gaspard Building	ADM 163	864-3398
Business & Social Sciences	Gaspard Building	ADM 163	964-6406
Natural Sciences	Gaspard Building	ADM 163	912-3699
Health & Technologies	Gaspard Building	ADM 163	840-8333
Transitional Education	Gaspard Building	ADM 163	964-6689
eLearning	Fort Steilacoom, Cascade Bldg.	CAS 322	964-6244
Emergency	Security Office	ADM 117	444-0325 or 911
ESL	Student Success Center	ADM 106	840-8463
Evaluation of credits	Student Success Center	ADM 106	840-8431
Financial Aid	Financial Aid Office	ADM 119	964-6544
Fine Arts Gallery	Arts and Allied Health Bldg.	AAH	912-2399 x5054
Fitness Facility	Health Education Center	HEP	864-3280
Food Services/Cafeteria	College Center	CTR 130	840-8456
Grades	Enrollment Services	ADM 115	964-6501
Graduation (evals, apps & info)	Evaluations, Fort Steilacoom	CAS 309	964-6678






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High School Completion	Student Success Center	ADM 106	840-8463
Information (General)			840-8400
International Programs	Fort Steilacoom, Cascade Bldg.	CAS 509	964-6229
Jobs	Job Connections	ADM 106	964-6265
Library	Library	LSC 212	840-8300
Lost & Found	Campus Safety	ADM 117	444-0325
Music	Arts and Allied Health Bldg.	AAH 202	864-3324
New Student Advising	Student Success Center	ADM 106	840-8431
Parking Permits	Campus Safety	ADM 117	444-0325
Pay Fees, Loans, Fines	Cashier's Office	ADM 118B	840-8405
President's Office	Gaspard Building	ADM 100	840-8421
Program Requirements	Student Success Center	ADM 106	840-8431
Registration	Enrollment Services	ADM 115	964-6501
Residency (for tuition paying)	Enrollment Services	ADM 115	964-6501
Running Start	Student Success Center	ADM 106	840-8431
Safety/Security Offices	Campus Safety	ADM 117	444-0325
Scholarship Information	Financial Aid Office	ADM 119	964-6544
Student Achievement Support Services Trio SSS/ ASPIRE/JB Scholars	Gaspard Building	ADM 106	912-3644
Student Activities	Student Life	CTR 210	840-8487
Student Government	Student Life	CTR 210	840-8487
Student Grievances	Learning/Student Success	ADM 120A	840-8403
Student ID Cards	Student Life	CTR 210	840-8487
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Supplemental Instruction	Tutoring Center	CTR 170	912-3637
Testing/Placement	Student Success Center	ADM 106	840-8431
Transcript Requests	Enrollment Services	ADM 115	964-6617
Transfer Information	Student Success Center	ADM 106	840-8431
Tuition	Cashier's Office	ADM 118B	840-8405
Tutoring	Tutoring Center	CTR 170	864-3258
Veterans Services	Veterans Services Office	ADM 115	864-3194
Workforce	Student Success Center	ADM 106	964-6265
Work Study	Financial Aid Office	ADM 119	964-6544
Writing Center	Library	LSC 207	864-3378



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