PENINSULA COLLEGE

Report
to the Community
2006
Our Mission

Approved by the Peninsula College Board of Trustees February 14, 2006

Peninsula College provides educational opportunities in the areas of academic transfer, professional/technical, basic skills, and continuing education.

The college also contributes to the cultural and economic enrichment of Clallam and Jefferson Counties.

Our Guiding Principles

The college community is guided by the following principles:

■ The teaching/learning process is at the center of the mission of Peninsula College.
■ Members of the campus community will treat each other with mutual respect and dignity.
■ Members of the campus community will be open and honest in their communications.
■ Members of the campus community will promote a positive work environment and avoid adversarial relationships.
■ Each member of the campus community shall act ethically and with integrity.
■ The campus will engage in collaborative decision-making processes.

Strategic Vision

■ Provide excellent instruction and services in support of its mission;
■ Embrace a set of shared principles;
■ Practice shared governance;
■ Pursue a “planful” approach to decision making; and
■ Support the professional development of faculty and staff.

Strategic Goals

Peninsula College’s Strategic Goals form the core of the college’s Strategic Plan, which articulates the college’s vision for the future and helps to ensure the connection between resource allocation and strategic initiatives. We do so by —

■ Providing EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITY in all facets of the college mission—academic transfer, professional/technical, basic skills, and continuing education.
■ Maximizing STUDENT ACCESS to higher education by expanding learning opportunities for the diverse populations of Clallam and Jefferson Counties.
■ Providing a COLLEGE ENVIRONMENT that places teaching and learning at the center of institutional practice, ensures quality services to students, and demonstrates sound and planful STEWARDSHIP of public resources.
■ Fostering COLLEGE/COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS through active participation in civic organizations and innovative partnerships that optimize public resources.
■ Promoting CULTURAL AND CROSS-CULTURAL DEVELOPMENT by providing culturally rich and diverse programs.
When the Washington State Board for Community and Technical Colleges adopted its new logo—“Creating Opportunities”—to communicate the benefits of the college system to the public, it could easily have had Peninsula College in mind as its model. For forty-five years we’ve been Creating Opportunities for residents of Clallam and Jefferson Counties by fulfilling resident and employer dreams for higher education opportunities for people place-bound by geographic location.

There was one dream, however, that had not been met — the ability to earn a four-year degree from Peninsula College. But now this dream, too, has been fulfilled: On April 5 of this year, Peninsula College became one of only four community colleges in the state to be approved to offer a four-year applied baccalaureate degree—a Bachelor of Applied Science (BAS), Applied Management. Our first baccalaureate students will officially enroll in the new degree program during the 2007 Fall Quarter.

We’re proud of this achievement and of what it means for the Olympic Peninsula—increased opportunities for everyone, individuals and businesses alike, but we also want to assure you that Peninsula College will remain true to its central mission, that of being a truly comprehensive community college. Thus, while the new BAS degree heightens our ability to serve our students and local communities in ways we could not before, it also re-enforces our central mission, which is to provide educational opportunities in the areas of academic transfer, professional and technical, basic skills, and continuing education and to contribute to the cultural and economic enrichment of Clallam and Jefferson Counties.

But our ability to continue to create these kinds of opportunities could not be accomplished without the continued support of our local business communities, thousands of loyal supporters all across the Peninsula, and a highly dedicated, professional college faculty and staff that is ready and willing and eager to take on new challenges. We want to thank those of you who regularly support our efforts and who know that Peninsula College is a smart investment that provides measurable returns in the economic viability of our communities and in the educational, cultural, and social lives of our residents.

In this Report to the Community, you will discover even more ways Peninsula College is growing to meet your needs, from the construction of a new Science and Technology Center, to the remodeling of our Library, to new professional and technical programming, to expanded international and local study opportunities for people of all ages.

Creating Opportunities! That’s what Peninsula College is all about. We invite you to join us as we continue this exciting journey, and we thank you for your support. You help to make it all possible by putting the “community” in your community college.

Dr. Thomas Keegan,  
President, Peninsula College  
Jennifer Zaccardo,  
President, Peninsula College Foundation
Creating Opportunities

From the classroom to student services to community events, Peninsula College is dedicated to Creating Opportunities for everyone in Clallam and Jefferson Counties. A sampling of some of the developments during the past academic year serve to highlight our commitment.

Academic

Everything we accomplish at Peninsula College is directly related to our six Guiding Principles. The first of these, that “The teaching/learning process is at the center of the mission of Peninsula College,” is reflected in our strong academic offerings.

Four-Year Degree Comes to Peninsula College

Every institution has certain periods in its history that it can look back on as defining moments. For Peninsula College, April 5, 2006, will be one of those, the date on which it was approved to offer a pilot BAS Applied Management degree by the Washington State Board for Community and Technical Colleges. Peninsula College’s selection as one of only four colleges in a 34-college system to offer a baccalaureate degree demonstrates the faith that the system has in our ability to provide a quality educational experience and is also a testament to the hard work and support of many in our communities, including our state legislators, who helped to make this dream happen.

The BAS Applied Management degree is designed to provide upper-division instruction for AAS degree graduates across several disciplines, allowing Peninsula College to respond to the needs of multiple industries. Among these needs are ensuring a continuity of learning for place-bound adults, offering a degree designed to meet the growing management needs of our communities, and meeting the growing demand of rural economic development through further education in management. Our BAS degree will allow us to meet these needs as well as others.

The first BAS cohort at Peninsula College will consist of 25 to 35 graduates of Peninsula College’s Professional and Technical Education Programs; they will commence their studies in the fall of 2007. Both the number and the types of graduates admitted to the BAS degree program will grow over time.

Online Learning Expands

Because we recognize that many of our current and potential students must work and go to school at the same time, and because we know many others are place-bound, Peninsula College has worked to increase its online course offerings during the 2005-06 academic year. The result is that several of our programs are now completely online, including our Criminal Justice degree program, our Web-Based Business degree, our Graphic Multimedia degree, and our CAT Certificate program. Students may also complete an Associate of Arts degree completely online or choose to take some courses online and others in the classroom.

Health Care Programs Are on the Move

Two of our Professional and Technical Healthcare Programs—Dental Hygiene and Nursing—recently received full accreditation from their respective accrediting bodies. These accreditations mean that both programs have been recognized for their quality and
excellence in education and that our graduates will be among those who will be most desired for professional hiring. Dental Hygiene was accredited by the American Dental Association Commission on Dental Education for Dental Hygiene, and Nursing was accredited by the National League for Nursing Commission.

A third Health Care Program, Medical Assisting, is also on the move. It will be expanding to a full two-year degree program starting this fall, 2006.

**NSF Research Experiences for Undergraduate (REU) Student Grant at PC**

The first year of Peninsula College’s NSF-funded REU grant program is underway, with the first group expected to complete their work in July 2006. The nine Peninsula College and four Huxley College BS/BA students at PC are working on a variety of research projects associated with the Elwha River Restoration in conjunction with PC faculty, Lower Elwha Tribe members, NOAA, USGS, ONP, and WDFW scientists. Their study involves mammalian population studies and ecology, fish population and habitat studies, microbial diversity and ecology, and forest ecology.

**International Education Opportunities Expanding**

Peninsula College’s International Studies Program provides an opportunity for students and faculty to concentrate on the study of Liberal Arts or conduct Scientific Research in a country outside the continental United States. Some of the Liberal Arts travel and study options include Italy, France, Spain, and England, where students concentrate on language and culture and getting to know the people. Scientific Research is the primary emphasis of our Costa Rica summer study program, which provides opportunities for students to work and study with ecologists, zoologists, botanists and microbiologists in the jungles of Central America.

**Center of Excellence Trains 450+ Students**

The Center of Excellence at Peninsula College serves as a community resource by offering education and training, research, and technical services that solve problems and further economic opportunities for businesses, governments, and communities of the Pacific Northwest. To date, more than 450 students have been trained in Marine Trades and Natural Resources courses and workshops put on by the Center.

Center staff members have also served on numerous task forces, advisory boards, and planning committees, including the Port Angeles Harbor Resource Management Task Force, the Forks Biomass Generator Task Force, the Clallam County Comprehensive Plan Economic Development Sub-Committee, the North Olympic Building Association Green Building Committee, the Northwest Marine Manufacturing Technology Center of Excellence, and the Northwest Marine Services Skills Panel. In addition, the Center has been involved in a variety of partnerships that have resulted in the submission of over $3,000,000 in grant requests. Regular updates can be found in every Peninsula College Quarterly Bulletin as well as the following PC websites: Center of Excellence (http://pc.ctc.edu/academics/centers/excellence/default.asp) and Life Sciences (http://pc.ctc.edu/academics/artssciences/life_sciences/default.asp).
Supporting Our Students

At Peninsula College we believe strong student support is critical to success, whether it be in the classroom or in the many extracurricular program opportunities that we offer. In this regard, the 2005-06 academic year has been notable in many respects.

- We enhanced our Student Leadership Program by adding several leadership classes and establishing a Student Ambassadors Program.
- We provided opportunities for students interested in acting to learn about theater and to produce and act in several plays. Three students from the fall production of *The Diviners* were singled out for their performances and invited to compete in the Irene Ryan competition at the Northwest Regional Kennedy Center American Collegiate Theatre Festival. The students are Stephen Achurra, Colby Thomas, and Susan Bake.
- The Peninsula College Sound of Unity program and Studium Generale, in collaboration with the Port Angeles Multicultural Alliance, invited actor John Amos to present his one-man-play, *Halley’s Comet*, for two performances on campus.
- Peninsula College led a statewide effort to institutionalize state-of-the-art student recruitment software to help community and technical colleges more effectively engage diverse prospective student populations by personalizing and customizing communications throughout the student admissions lifecycle.

- Peninsula College is one of nine colleges in the state community and technical college system participating in a two-year pilot program that allows students to receive a State-Need Grant when they are enrolled for four credits rather than the previous six-credit minimum.
- Peninsula College is one of two community colleges in Washington State to offer scholarship opportunities for members of a competitive dance team. Our dance team, The Pirettes, performs at local basketball games and community events.

Building an Even More Solid Future

During the 2005 Washington State legislative session, the legislators approved a higher education budget that includes $37 million in capital funding for Peninsula College for the 2005-07 biennium. Projects included in the funding package are a new Science and Technology Building to replace aging science facilities, a renovation of our library, a matching fund for a new Longhouse/Cultural Center, and funds to upgrade the
Little Theater. The college also has submitted a proposal for a new Business and Humanities Building. Funding is anticipated in 2007-09 for design and in 2009-11 for construction.

Replacing Aging Science Facilities. Construction began in October 2005 on the new Science and Technology Building that will replace existing science facilities that date back to the early 1960s when the college was founded. The $23,640,000, 56,433 square-foot building is being constructed on the site where the former college dormitories were situated and will house high-technology, multiple-use lab and classroom space for a wide range of course offerings. The facility will also include a lecture hall. It is scheduled for completion for the 2007 Spring Quarter.

Building a New Library. The college’s library will be replaced, with construction starting this fall on the $14,000,000, 25,000 square-foot project. The building will include a dedicated “smart” classroom, offices for library staff, an information commons, and comfortable seating areas where students can engage in reading, studying, and collaborative learning processes.

Celebrating the Olympic Peninsula and its People. The proposed Longhouse/Cultural Center will recognize and celebrate the various cultures of the indigenous peoples of the Olympic Peninsula. It will be a center for classes, art exhibits, ceremonies, and special course offerings and will be designed to enhance instruction and awareness of all the cultures and the arts that exist on the Olympic Peninsula. Total funding for the project is $830,000. The Center is being built through a matching fund program spearheaded by the Peninsula College Foundation, which is conducting a $250,000 capital campaign for the matching funds.

Modern Facilities for the 21st Century. The college is requesting funds for a new Business and Humanities Center that will replace aging classrooms and inadequate infrastructure with modern, technology-savvy classrooms to meet current and future educational needs. This 70,000 square-foot building will include classrooms, computers labs, expanded Art and Music spaces, and a lecture and performance venue.
Peninsula College Foundation

Involving people in philanthropy for higher education.

The Peninsula College Foundation, a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization with a voluntary board, was founded in 1996 to raise awareness of Peninsula College and to ensure that the college would be able to continue to update and expand its academic transfer, professional and technical, and cultural programs and to remain focused on the success of all students. With a volunteer board comprised of a variety of community and civic leaders — in an amazing range of fields, including education, law, finance, government, performing arts, banking, real estate, media, business, health care, farming, insurance, and the fine arts — there is one common thread:

Philanthropy. . . (Greek: philanthropia – love for mankind)

The Foundation Funds Scholarships

A variety of scholarships are awarded annually, based on the generosity of private donors and public partnerships with outstanding community leaders and organizations.

Scholarships include but are not limited to:

- Basic Skills
- Radiologic Technologist
- Medical Assistant Program
- Nursing
- Academic Excellence
- Booster Club Athletics
- Music

The Foundation Funds College Programs

A variety of college programs are supported in partnership with Foundation donors. These programs include:

- Writer-in-Residence
- Exceptional Faculty Awards
- Funding for science equipment
- Funding for gymnasium improvements
- Ashland Shakespeare Festival performance on campus

Mary Clearman Blew, Peninsula College Writer-in-Residence for 2006
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The Foundation’s Signature Event: American Conversations

American Conversations is the Foundation’s “signature” event, a symposium started in 1998 that is a combination fundraiser and community cultural event. Through American Conversations we look to accomplish three things:

- To present each year, to the campus community and to the community at-large, a major figure in American life for the purpose of having true conversations on issues of importance in American life;
- To promote the exchange of ideas, higher education, and learning in this vibrant rural community; and in doing so, to inspire other rural communities to do the same; and
- To raise funds for Peninsula College in an interesting and inspiring way.

American Conversations Speakers List

Past American Conversations speakers include:

1998 Peter Arnett, Pulitzer Prize-Winning CNN War Correspondent
1999 Fred Haise, Apollo 13 Astronaut
2000 Helen Thomas, Dean of the White House Press Corps
2001 Sergei Khruschev, Son of Former Soviet Premiere Nikita Khruschev
2002 Mark O’Connor, Grammy Award-Winning Fiddler, Violinist, and Composer
2003 Marlin Fitzwater, Press Secretary to Presidents Reagan and Bush
2004 Amy Vedder, Mountain Gorilla Researcher and Conservationist
2005 Billy Beane, General Manager of the Oakland A’s

Mark Your Calendar:
October 5, 2006

The Peninsula College Foundation is pleased to present our 2006 American Conversations speaker, Genome Pioneer Dr. Georgia Dunston. Dr. Dunston is professor and chair of the Department of Microbiology at Howard University College of Medicine and founding director of the newly formed National Human Genome Center (NHGC) at Howard University. The NHGC is instrumental in bringing multicultural perspectives and resources to an understanding of knowledge gained from the Human Genome Project.

Growing up in Virginia in the 1950s, Georgia Dunston looked at her segregated world and asked, “What makes people different?” As the founding director of the National Human Genome Center at Howard University, the pioneering geneticist ponders the biological answer: precious little. “99.9 percent of the 3.1 billion nucleotides [in the human genome] are identical between any two people anywhere in the world,” she says. “That’s how closely related the human family is. I think we’ll learn some lessons on how life works by looking inside the cell, rather than outside the individual,” she says. “Maybe this time we’ll get it right.”