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**PTC** PITTSBURGH  
TECHNICAL COLLEGE  
A HIGHER STANDARD

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Pittsburgh Technical College admits students of any race, color, national and ethnic origin in administration of its educational policies, admissions policies, scholarship and loan programs, and athletic and other school-administered programs.





DID YOU KNOW THAT PTC OFFERS ONLINE AND EVENING CLASSES?



## GET WITH THE PROGRAM.

At PTC, we provide education that's immersive, hands-on, and all about career success. We start with curriculum that's project-based and grounded in the world of work, with regular tune-ups from program advisory boards comprising the region's top employers. One of our Academic Chairs describes the PTC education as "hands-on and heads-in." That pretty much sums up our academic experience — both real-world and rigorous.

Hard-wired into the curriculum is the fact that 100% of on-campus degree-seeking students spend their last quarter in an internship\* or clinical rotation. It's this kind of experience that can give you a leg up on the competition. It's also the kind of experience that can lead to job offers before you graduate.

### WE OFFER MORE THAN 30 BACHELOR'S, ASSOCIATE, AND CERTIFICATE PROGRAMS.

- School of Business
- School of Criminal Justice
- School of Culinary Arts
- School of Design and Engineering Technology
- School of Energy and Electronics Technology
- School of Healthcare
- School of Hospitality
- School of Information Systems and Technology
- School of Nursing
- School of Trades Technology



\* Showcases graduates from 2018 classes. Data includes those who were available for work and were offered and/or received career search assistance from 1/1/2018-3/28/2019. Includes full-time, part-time, or freelance positions. Visit [PTCollege.edu/employmentstats](http://PTCollege.edu/employmentstats) to learn more.



# DON'T FEAR LIFE AFTER GRADUATION. EMBRACE IT.

Beginning on your first day of class, the time you spend at PTC is all about preparing you for a fulfilling career. You'll learn the fundamentals of your profession through classrooms and labs. And right from the start, you're practically on a first-name basis with your career advisor, who will work with you as a team to set your career goals. Professional development evolves, and employer connections are made through career fairs, mock interviews, and other networking events sponsored by Career Services.

Then, in an internship or clinical rotation\*, you move out of the classroom and into a work environment. This helps you to see and learn about the kinds of opportunities and challenges you'll experience once you graduate—and you'll have meaningful professional experience on your resume when you begin your job search.

\* 100% of our on-campus degree-seeking students are provided with internships or clinical rotations.



## CAREER SERVICES: AT WORK FOR YOU.

Professional development, employer networking, and job search strategies are woven into PTC's curriculum from the beginning of your first quarter. Over the course of your program, you'll build the skills that will help you be career-ready when you graduate.

### CAREER SERVICES' SUPPORT FROM DAY ONE:

- Career planning and prep in both the classroom and one-on-one sessions
- Networking with employers in job fairs and mock interviews
- Job search strategies, including interview techniques, tailored to your career
- Resume development with Optimal Resume software
- Applying for and accepting a job
- Salary negotiation
- Marketplace trends
- Guest speakers, including alumni, who discuss what you can expect in your career field

### WE CONNECT ALUMNI TO NEW OPPORTUNITIES, TOO.

Provided after graduation at no fee, our services are offered to alumni when they need us, including:

- Online registration to get you in the pipeline for resume and career service assistance
- Transcript requests
- Optimal Resume's step-by-step guide to updating your resume
- Career Connect to access national and local employment opportunities
- Freelance Support Center for support in building a freelance business, including freelance opportunities available to students and alumni
- Alumni newsletter
- Networking Events
- Open invitations to attend PTC's annual career fair

“We have been to every Job Fair that PTC has held and over this 10-year period we have recruited and hired more than 20 PTC graduates.

– Jay Murray, Vice President,  
People Development,  
Creehan & Company

## WHAT SETS US APART.



# 96%

of PTC's 2018 available graduates are working in-field either full time, part time, or freelance.\*



# 5,714+

job openings were made available by Career Services in 2018.

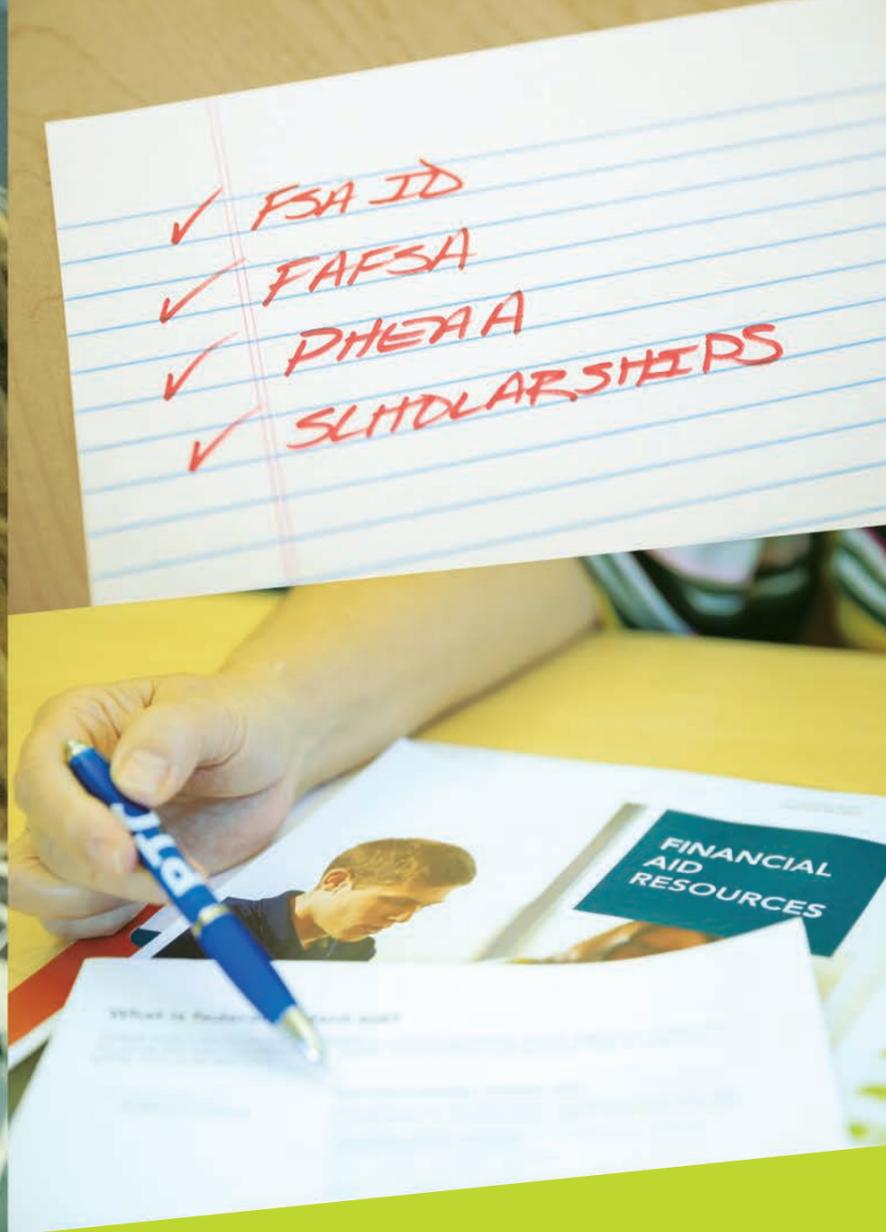


# 100%

of PTC's on-campus, degree-seeking students have internships or clinical rotations before they graduate.\*

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## AFFORDING YOUR EDUCATION WITH FINANCIAL AID PLANNING.

We know financial aid can seem overwhelming and even scary, but the financial aid planners at PTC will guide you through the process. We can point you in the direction of funding options available to you, including state and federal aid you'll need to pay back, and institutional grants and scholarships, provided by PTC, that you will not pay back. The important thing to remember is to plan and do your research early so you can take advantage of everything that can support your education goals.



## FEDERAL AND STATE GRANT PROGRAMS.

- Federal Pell Grants
- PHEAA Grants (offered through the Pennsylvania State Grant Agency)
  - Ohio College Opportunity Grant (OCOG)
- Supplemental Education Opportunity Grants

## THE WILLIAM D. FORD FEDERAL DIRECT PROGRAM.

- Direct Stafford Loans – Subsidized
- Direct Stafford Loans – Unsubsidized
- Parent Loans

## INSTITUTIONAL FUNDING.

The College offers a variety of grants and scholarships. Criteria for each of the programs vary and criteria to maintain eligibility are specific to the type of award. Please visit [PTCollege.edu](http://PTCollege.edu) and select Admissions & Financial Aid for full program details and eligibility requirements.

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| ➤ Academic Achievement Scholarship             | ➤ Nursing Grant              |
| ➤ Sibling Grant                                | ➤ Out-of-State Grants        |
| ➤ Certificate Program Grant                    | ➤ Trade Adjustment Act (TAA) |
| ➤ Cyber School Student Scholarship             | ➤ Tuition Assistance Grant   |
| ➤ Early Application Grant/ Scholarship         | ➤ Online Grant               |
| ➤ Education Alliance Grant Program             | ➤ S.T.E.M. Scholarship       |
| ➤ High School Club or Organization Scholarship | ➤ PTC CareerLink Grant       |
| ➤ JROTC Scholarships                           | ➤ PTC Pittsburgh Promise     |

## WORK STUDY PROGRAMS.

PTC offers part-time jobs through federal and state work study programs. These jobs are available on a first-come, first-served basis for students with financial need. Students may work on campus in various service areas or off campus in various community service positions.

## APPLYING FOR FINANCIAL AID.

Applying for financial aid doesn't have to be complicated. In fact, with the help of PTC, it can be very straightforward.

Your financial aid planner is your personal resource, can guide you through the financial aid process, and can provide a checklist of what you need to do and when.

PTC has simplified the process by making many of the forms available on your PTC Dashboard. Many of the federal and state applications can be completed online.

“Apply for the FAFSA early, don't be afraid of making mistakes, and don't assume you do not qualify. Work closely with your PTC Financial Aid Planner and take advantage of our services.

– Denise Fisher, Director,  
Financial Aid Planning



## 1 GETTING STARTED.

To begin the online financial aid process, you need your FSA ID. If you are a dependent student (most students under the age of 24 are), your parent also needs an FSA ID. Create yours by logging into [fsaid.ed.gov](http://fsaid.ed.gov) or one of these websites and clicking the link to create your FSA ID:

- [fsaid.ed.gov](http://fsaid.ed.gov)
- [nslds.ed.gov](http://nslds.ed.gov)
- [studentloans.gov](http://studentloans.gov)
- [studentaid.gov](http://studentaid.gov)

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2 Complete your FAFSA. Refer to your “**Financial Aid Resources**” brochure for deadlines, scholarships and grants, and other resources.

After your FAFSA is processed, you will receive your results in your Student Aid Report.

3 If you are a PA resident, your next step is to create a user ID and password to set up your PHEAA account at [www.aessuccess.org](http://www.aessuccess.org).

Use this website to apply for the PA State grant or the PA Summer grant. Ask your PTC financial aid planner for a checklist of applications you need to complete on this website and their deadlines.

## ACRONYMS YOU'LL NEED TO KNOW.

**FSA ID** *Federal Student Aid Identification*

**FAFSA** *Free Application for Federal Student Aid*

**SAR** *Student Aid Report*

**AES** *American Education Services*

**PHEAA** *Pennsylvania Higher Education Assistance Agency*

Keep your FSA ID, user ID, and password secure and available. You need them to review financial aid online or apply for subsequent award years.

Always work closely with your PTC Financial Aid planner who can answer your questions, revise your plan, and explain grant awards and loan approvals.

Financial aid is available to those who qualify. Award amounts are contingent on state and federal approvals and may change.



## LIVE AND LEARN HERE.

You won't find depressing, dreary, or drab housing at PTC. Matter of fact, visitors often remark that our on- and off-campus housing is spacious and comfortable.

On-campus housing is a quick five-minute walk to class, while our off-campus facilities are located close to The Mall at Robinson (convenient if you'll be looking for a part-time job while you're in school). We provide a shuttle that takes students back and forth between our campus and off-campus housing during weekdays. You can also arrange for private accommodations if you're over 21.

There are plenty of fun, engaging activities at each location that encourage personal and professional growth. Plus you'll meet new people that will become

lifelong friendships. A Director and live-in staff help to create a nurturing, supportive environment for students.

Schedule your tour of housing during a personal visit or Open House to see what's available.

For details about housing costs, choosing roommates, and securing housing, visit [PTCollege.edu](http://PTCollege.edu) then select 'Campus,' or talk with your admissions counselor.



# NAVIGATE YOUR DASHBOARD.



The "Dashboard" tab lists what you need to do. "My Docs" keeps completed docs organized for your review after completion.

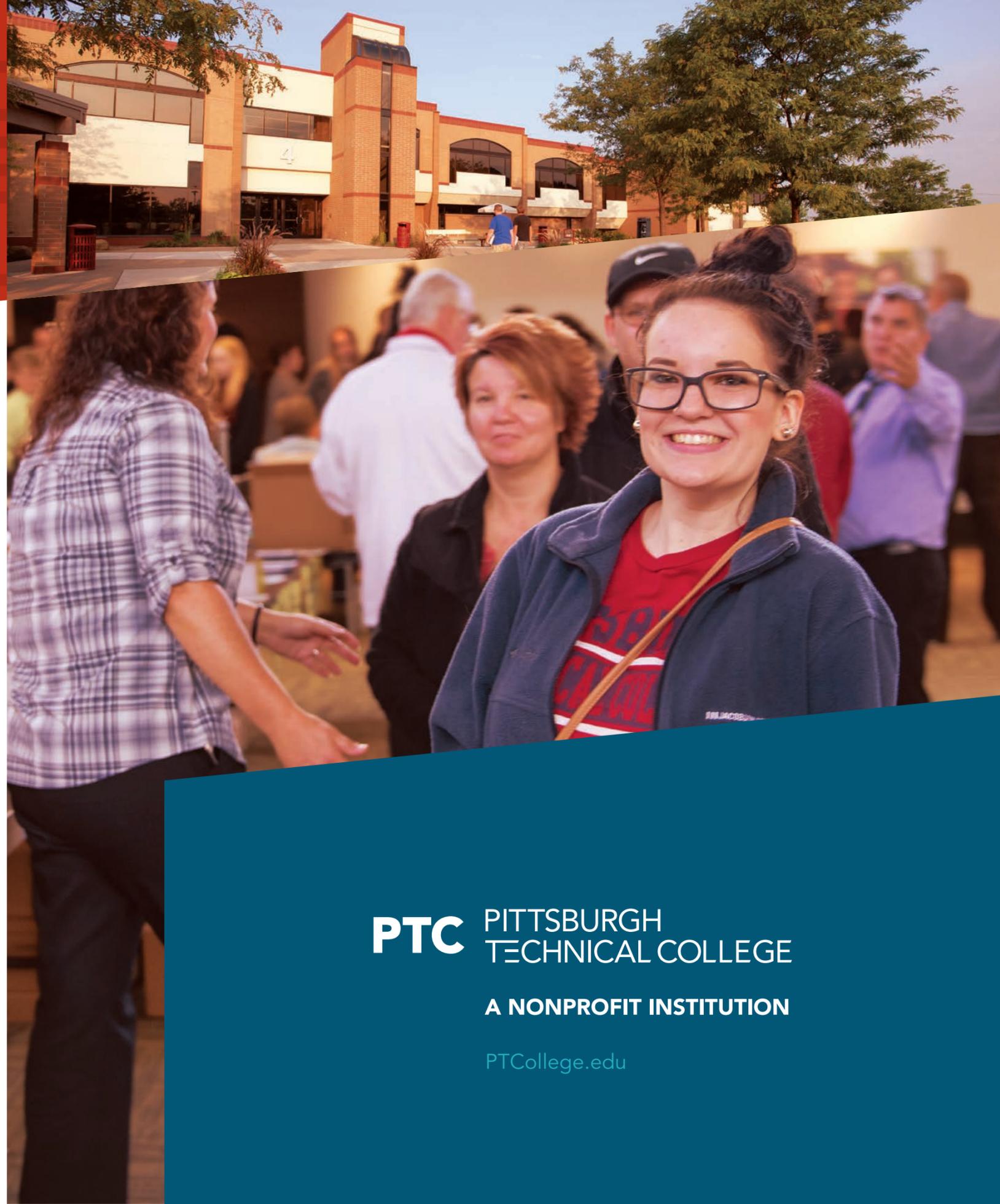
Click here to add a photo to your account or to Log Out.

**Admissions is the first step!** Complete the application by clicking START.

After submitting your application, Dashboard will supply all documents for completion to start in your program. **Log in and check both the Financial Aid and Resident Life** sections frequently as new forms requiring your attention may be added.

Soon after you apply, you'll be assigned an admissions coordinator and eventually, financial aid planner. Feel free to contact them with questions concerning admissions and financial aid planning.

**Want to visit PTC?** Click here to schedule an appointment. Or give us a call at **(412) 809-5100**.



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