

## Peirce Fit Frequently Asked Questions from Students

Peirce Fit is an instructional model that offers students the flexibility of choosing on a weekly basis how they will participate in a course: on campus, online, or a mix of both throughout the duration of a course. For additional questions, please contact your Academic Advisor at 215-670-9177 or [advisingcenter@peirce.edu](mailto:advisingcenter@peirce.edu).

**1. Why is Peirce Fit good for me?**

*Peirce Fit provides unprecedented flexibility for Peirce students as they balance their many responsibilities while earning their degree.*

**2. What courses are offered in the Peirce Fit format?**

*Peirce will begin offering health and graduate program courses as well as select general education courses in this new model starting Fall 2015. All other academic programs and courses will convert to the Peirce Fit model by Fall 2016. Students are encouraged to talk about Peirce Fit with their Academic Advisor. Intensive courses and 100-level Paralegal courses are excluded from this format.*

**3. What is the delivery format for Peirce Fit courses?**

*Peirce Fit provides students the choice to attend class online or on campus on a week-by-week basis. Each week, students can complete their course work completely online or decide to attend the on campus class meeting. Students may switch back and forth throughout the course. These courses offer students flexibility each week to work in the delivery that suits them best.*

**4. I only plan to take my courses completely online or on campus, should I enroll in a Peirce Fit course?**

*Yes. Peirce Fit supports both the online and on campus learner. No matter your preferred course delivery, these courses will meet your needs. All students should register for Peirce Fit courses, as learning outcomes will be the same in both formats. This means that, while the activities may be different, the skills and knowledge you are expected to gain are the same whether you choose to attend the course completely online, completely on campus, or a mix of both. Please consult with your academic advisor for course registration/scheduling assistance.*

**5. How will I know that I am enrolling/registering in a Peirce Fit course?**

*Peirce Fit courses are listed in both the undergraduate and graduate course schedules. The courses code will have an "H" after the course number. For example, ACC101HM3 is an ACC101 flexible course offered in session 3, with on campus class meetings on Monday evenings. More information and additional examples are available [here](#). Please consult with your Academic Advisor for course registration/scheduling assistance.*

**6. Will there be information sessions so that students can learn more about Peirce Fit?**

*Yes. On campus and virtual information sessions will be scheduled to answer any additional questions.*

**7. Does Financial Aid cover the cost of Peirce Fit courses?**

*Students who are eligible for financial aid are able to seek financial aid funds to cover the cost of their courses taken at Peirce. Eligible undergraduate students may qualify for the PA state grant or Distance Education (DE) state grant, provided they have met all of the state grant criteria. Undergraduate students who take more than 50% of their classes online or in Peirce Fit courses may have a delay, but will still receive their DE state grant. Please contact your Financial Aid Specialist for more information.*

**8. Is the tuition for Peirce Fit courses the same as other courses offered at Peirce?**

*Yes. The tuition for Peirce Fit courses is the same as other courses at Peirce. The current tuition rates can be found at <https://www.peirce.edu/tuition-fees>.*

**9. Do I need to inform my faculty member how I plan to participate in class each week?**

*While faculty will be on campus each week prepared to teach class, students should consult their course syllabus for faculty expectations on communicating whether they plan to attend class on campus or online.*

*Your instructor will record attendance on a weekly basis as "Present On Campus", "Present Online", or "Absent". The week begins on the day of the class meeting and ends on the day before the following class meeting. For example, if class meets on a Wednesday then the week runs Wednesday through Tuesday.*

**10. If I complete the coursework online, am I still able to come to class if I need extra help?**

*Yes. Students are permitted to utilize both formats in a single week, but must complete all of the assignments or requirements for at least one of the delivery methods in that week.*