



Peirce Fit™ Frequently Asked Questions For Students

Peirce Fit gives students control over where and how they learn - to suit both fast-paced lifestyles and individual learning styles. With Peirce Fit, you can choose at a moment's notice whether to attend class on campus or online throughout the duration of the course.

This revolutionary way to learn provides you with the flexibility you need to complete your coursework in a way that works for you. With Peirce Fit, you won't fall behind due to unexpected pressures from home or work, and you have access to individualized instruction in a small classroom setting.

For additional questions, please contact your Academic Advisor at 215-670-9177 or advisingcenter@peirce.edu.

1. What courses are offered in the Peirce Fit format?

Peirce began offering health and graduate program courses as well as select general education courses in this new model in Fall 2015. All other academic programs and courses will convert to the Peirce Fit model by September 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.

2. What is the delivery format for Peirce Fit?

This model 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.

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

Yes. This flexible course delivery 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.

4. 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. By September 2016, all Peirce courses will be offered in the Peirce Fit format. Please consult with your Academic Advisor for course registration/scheduling assistance.

5. Will there be information sessions so that students can learn more about the Peirce Fit model?

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

6. Does Financial Aid cover the cost of these 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. Beginning in September 2016, all students eligible for the PA state grant will be nominated for the DE state grant, which may result in a delay of funding. Please contact your Financial Aid Specialist for more information.

- 7. Is the tuition for Peirce Fit courses the same as other courses offered at Peirce?

 Yes. The tuition for Peirce Fit is the same as other courses at Peirce. The current tuition rates can be found at https://www.peirce.edu/tuition-fees.
- 8. Do I need to inform my faculty member how I plan to participate in class each week? Faculty will be on campus each week prepared to teach and will customize their lesson plan to the number of students in attendance. Students should consult their course syllabus for faculty expectations on communicating whether they plan to attend class on campus or online.
- 9. If I complete the coursework online, am I still able to come to class if I need extra help? Yes. Students may 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.

10. Why is this good for me?

Peirce Fit provides unprecedented flexibility as you balance your many responsibilities while earning your degree. If you are traditionally an on campus student, you now have the flexibility to complete your coursework online if an unexpected demand leaves you unable to attend class. If you are traditionally an online student, you now have the added insurance of an on campus class if you would like individualized attention on a difficult concept or if you would like to meet your professor and classmates face-to-face.

Peirce Fit™ Learning that fits your life.