



# PIKES PEAK COMMUNITY COLLEGE

2019-2020 VIEWBOOK



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# THIS IS ABOUT YOUR FUTURE

Because your future matters to us, we remain dedicated to making college open to everyone, immensely affordable, flexible to your schedule, and genuinely supportive.

Pikes Peak is the largest place of higher learning in the Pikes Peak region, but every student here is treated as an individual. We know that one-size-fits-all learning may not fit you. You want a college where your instructors not only know you by name, they also know what makes you stumble and what makes you succeed.

*Your success is why we're here.*



*“You come with a dream of a better life, and we get to be part of that. There’s no better feeling.”*

**Dr. Lance Bolton**  
Pikes Peak Community College President

Going to college is about so much more than dollars and cents.

But let's start there. With an associate degree, you'll earn an average of **\$573** per month more than those with only a high school diploma.\*

That means you can work your way quickly to a rewarding career, and you won't be stuck with mountains of debt.

Let's face it. Colleges and universities are getting ridiculously expensive for the average family. But even if you're planning to transfer to a four-year school, taking those first two years at Pikes Peak could end up saving you about the same as an entire year of tuition at most of those four-year colleges or universities.

*\*Based on 2018 figures from the U.S. Bureau of Labor and Statistics*



Photo by PPCC student Ken Slager

*“[I chose PPCC because of] convenience, the cost and a couple of military buddies were doing the program and recommended it.”*

**#WeArePPCC | Gregorio Rivera**  
Army Veteran | Automotive Major



Photo by PPCC student Rachel Riley

# COLLEGE YOU CAN AFFORD

**P**ikes Peak costs a fraction of most four-year colleges. Most students who apply for scholarships or financial aid get assistance, keeping out-of-pocket costs even lower. Available options include grants, scholarships, student jobs, loans and military benefits.

**Pikes Peak Community College**  
\$4,813

CSU Pueblo | \$10,407

UCCS | \$10,462

CSU-Fort Collins | \$12,058

CU-Boulder | \$12,502-\$17,806

## Tuition & Fees

Comparison with in-state tuition for two semesters at 15 credits per semester. A quality education for a fraction of the cost.

*These figures are based on 2019-2020 tuition and can vary depending on program of study.*

## SAVE ON TEXTBOOKS

PPCC is leading a national movement toward Open Education Resources (OER), free or inexpensive alternatives to traditional textbooks. They could save you hundreds of dollars.



**PEAK FACT**

We award **over \$1 million in scholarships** annually. One scholarship application puts you in the running for them.



Photo by PPCC student Sondra Giovan



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“Why would you want to pay double the cost for classes at a university that you can get at a community college for less? Spoiler alert: a lot of the professors who work at PPCC and PPCConline are also professors at universities like Colorado College and UCCS.”

**Alana Lipscomb**

PPCC Graduate | Phi Theta Kappa | Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Outstanding Community Leader



“You get real-life experience. We took a field trip to an architectural firm and we got to see their work from the inside and how it fits with what we’re studying.”

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**Kelsey Lippincott**

*Architectural Engineering and Construction Management Major*

*PCC Student Ambassador*

A group of diverse students is walking through a modern, brightly lit building entrance. The students are dressed in casual attire, including t-shirts, hoodies, and jeans. One student in the foreground is wearing a blue hoodie and a red backpack. The building has large glass windows and a white frame. A yellow vertical bar is on the right side of the image.

# CONVENIENCE REDEFINED

PPCC has three campuses and learning centers at Fort Carson Army Post and Peterson Air Force Base.

*Life can be complicated.*

That's why we offer maximum flexibility, with day, evening and weekend courses in traditional, online or mixed formats.



## CENTENNIAL CAMPUS

*South | Emphasis on Career & Technical Degrees*

Our largest campus, Centennial offers nearly every PPCC course available, and it's the only place to take Culinary Arts, Auto-Tech and Zoo Keeping Technology.

## RAMPART RANGE CAMPUS

*North | Emphasis on Health Sciences*

The newest of our campuses, the contemporary-styled Rampart Range offers general education classes.

Just north of the Rampart campus is PPCC's new Center for Healthcare Education & Simulation. This building houses some of our allied health programs. It's state of the art interdisciplinary simulation lab creates high-pressure, low-risk and innovatively collaborative learning situations.

## DOWNTOWN STUDIO CAMPUS

*Central | Emphasis on Creative Arts*

In addition to general education classes, the Downtown Studio Campus is home to the art gallery, dance studio and most of our arts classes.

Studio West, a new arts building, is home to a blackbox theatre, dance performance space and expanded art gallery. These new amenities for students also add a vibrant edge of culture to Colorado Springs' already thriving arts scene.

### NEED CHILDCARE?

Our nationally accredited Child Development Center supports your success by providing high-quality care and educational services to children from the age of 6 weeks to 5 years at Centennial and Rampart Range.



Photo by PPCC student Dwan Petti



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**PEAK FACT**

High school students can take free college classes, and even earn a certificate or associate degree, before they graduate. Concurrent college education may be offered in your high school or on our campuses. Learn more at [ppcc.edu/hsp](https://ppcc.edu/hsp).

# QUALITY EDUCATION

PPCC instructors are proven experts in their areas of study, and many are working in their fields.

That's probably why **95% of our students say they would recommend PPCC** to a friend or family member.


Pikes Peak offers transferable credits to UCCS, CSU, CU and many other four-year colleges and universities across the nation.

Small class sizes: With an average class size of 15, Pikes Peak gives personal attention to each student.

PPCC is accredited through the Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools.



Photo by PPCC student Sondra Glovan



*“In the Army, I learned cooking for a lot of people, hospital style, following recipes. PPCC taught me about plating presentation, flavor profile, how to develop my own creativity. I really learned to hone my craft. And I gained so many mentors. There’s always someone better who has something to teach you.”*

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**Andres Velez**

*PPCC Graduate | Army Veteran | Owner, PigLatin Cocina*



Photo by PPCC student Jim Root

# INNOVATIVE SUPPORT FOR **YOUR SUCCESS**



Photo by PPCC student Sondra Glovan



*“PPCC highly prepared me for a four-year school, better than I could have imagined.”*

**Holly Eickstedt**  
PPCC Graduate | UCCS Transfer Student



**A**t the heart of our student-support services, you'll find innovative ways to get help. You're not in this alone. Teams of advisors, tutors and counselors will help you get there.

### **More Support Services**

PPCC is all about getting you the help you need.

- Learning Commons (library, IT and tutoring services)
- More accessible textbooks
- Counseling
- Food assistance
- Career connections
- English as a Second Language (ESL) classes
- Social services
- Free bus service

***We have you covered.***



# WE HAVE WHAT YOU WANT TO STUDY

**P** PCC has over 200 degrees and certificates in virtually every major area of academic or technical studies. There's a program that's bound to match your interests and career goals.

## **ARTS**

Art History  
Dance  
Fine Art  
Graphic Design  
Music  
Photography  
Studio Art  
Theatre

## **BUSINESS**

Accounting  
Administrative Assistant  
Business Administration  
Entrepreneurship  
Management  
Marketing  
Paralegal  
Social Innovation

## **HEALTH**

Dental Assisting  
Emergency Management  
Medical Office Technology  
Nursing  
Paramedic  
Pharmacy Tech  
Phlebotomy  
Pre-Med  
Radiology Tech  
Surgical Technician

## **LIBERAL ARTS**

Anthropology  
Communication  
Economics  
Education  
English  
Foreign Language  
Humanities  
History  
Literature  
Psychology  
Sociology



## **PUBLIC SERVICE**

Criminal Justice  
Emergency Service  
Administration  
Fire Science  
Law Enforcement  
Paralegal  
Political Science  
Social Work

## **SCIENCES**

Biology  
Chemistry  
Computer Science  
Geography  
Geology  
Physics  
Pre-Engineering  
Water Quality Management

## **SKILLED TRADES**

Automotive / Diesel  
Computer Networking  
Construction  
Culinary Arts  
Fire Science  
Hospitality (*Fall 2020*)  
HVAC  
Machining  
Robotics  
Secure Coding (*Fall 2020*)  
Sign Language Interpreter  
Welding

For a complete list of areas of study, visit [ppcc.edu](http://ppcc.edu)



# NOW OFFERING FOUR-YEAR DEGREES



Photo by PPCC student Sandra Giovan

**P** PCC now has bachelors' degrees in Nursing and Emergency Service Administration and will be adding more four-year degrees in the coming years.

Other new degree options:

- Surgical Technician
- Hospitality (*fall of 2020*)
- Secure Coding (*fall of 2020*)
- Paramedicine (*fall of 2020*)

## PEAK FACT

PPCC's nursing program shares the top ranking with the best nursing programs in the U.S.



## Signature Programs

### CULINARY ARTS

98% job placement rate

### FIRE SCIENCE TECHNOLOGY

Faculty are firefighters for Colorado Springs Fire Department

### NURSING

100% pass rate on nursing exam

### ZOO KEEPING TECHNOLOGY

One of only five programs in the country



Photo by PPCC student Sondra Glowan

Photo by PPCC student Rachel Riley



*“The professors here really work with you and all the staff are really kind.”*

#WeArePPCC | Angelez Anderson  
General Studies Major | Future Transfer Student



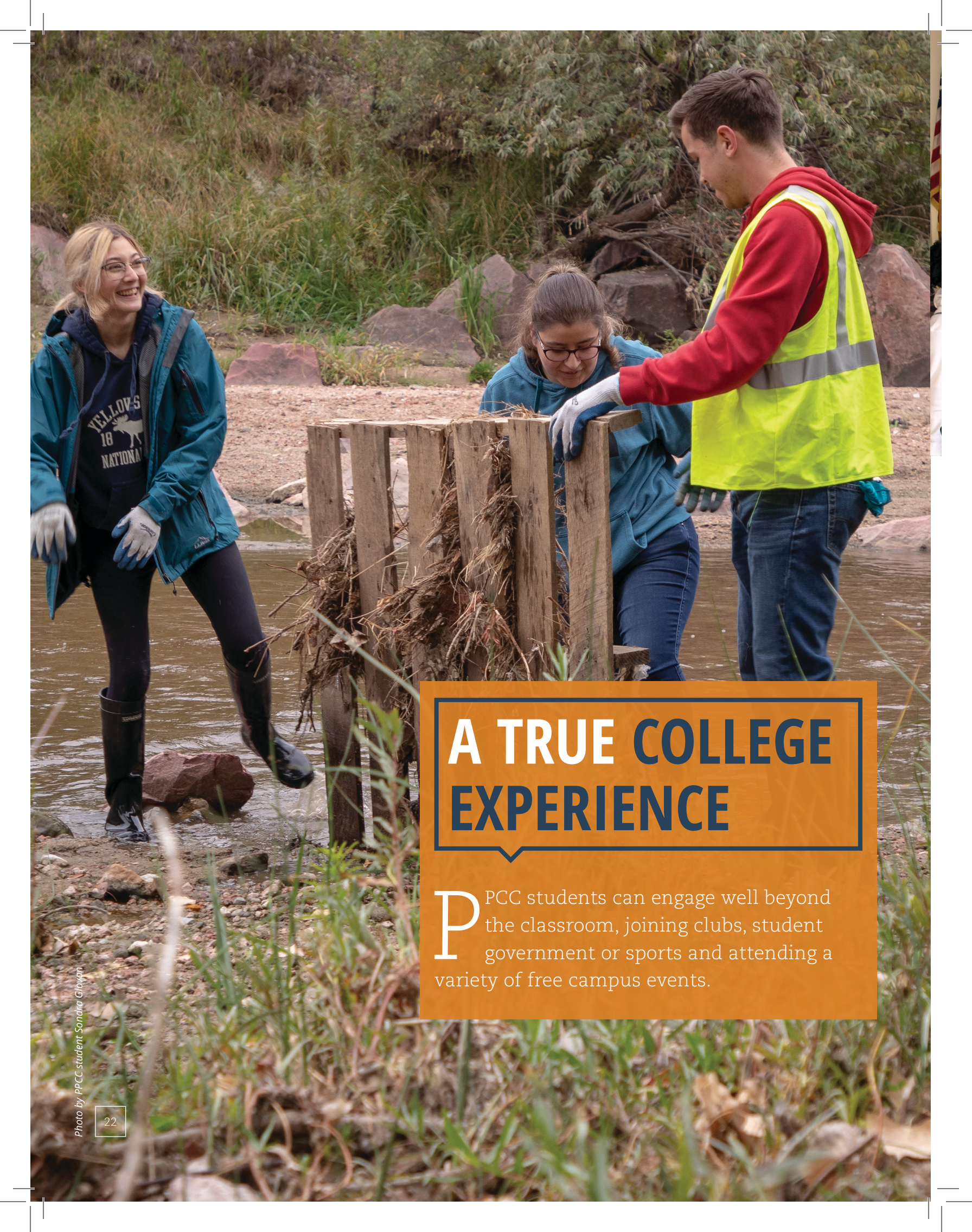
“It took me four years to finally graduate from PPCC because I was a single mom working a job. I hardly had time to study but utilized the resources I had to help me with homework like TRIO and DSSS. I took advantage of tutoring sessions and I practically lived in the Math center! I received help from the Child Development Center. So, I was able to study, attend club meetings, maybe workout at the school gym and have time to grab my kids and eat dinner with them.”

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**Alana Lipscomb**

PPCC Graduate | Phi Theta Kappa

Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Outstanding Community Leader



## A TRUE COLLEGE EXPERIENCE

PCC students can engage well beyond the classroom, joining clubs, student government or sports and attending a variety of free campus events.



Photo by PPCC student Sondra Glovan

### Beyond the classroom

- Student government
- Drop-in recreation
- Club sports
- Weekly special events
- Clubs & organizations
- Affinity groups (United Men of Color, Interfaith Council, Black Student Union, etc.)
- Study abroad
- Service learning
- Quad Innovation Partnership



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“My educational experience at PPCC, both in and outside the classroom, influenced my career trajectory. I graduated from UCCS May 2018, and in August I was hired full time [at PPCC] as the Coordinator of Student Support and Early Alert.”

**Amner Carmona Molina**

PPCC Graduate | Coordinator of Student Support and Early Alert at PPCC



## CONNECT TO THE JOB MARKET

Pikes Peak has forged valuable connections with the regional workforce, ensuring high job-placement rates, particularly in career and technical fields.



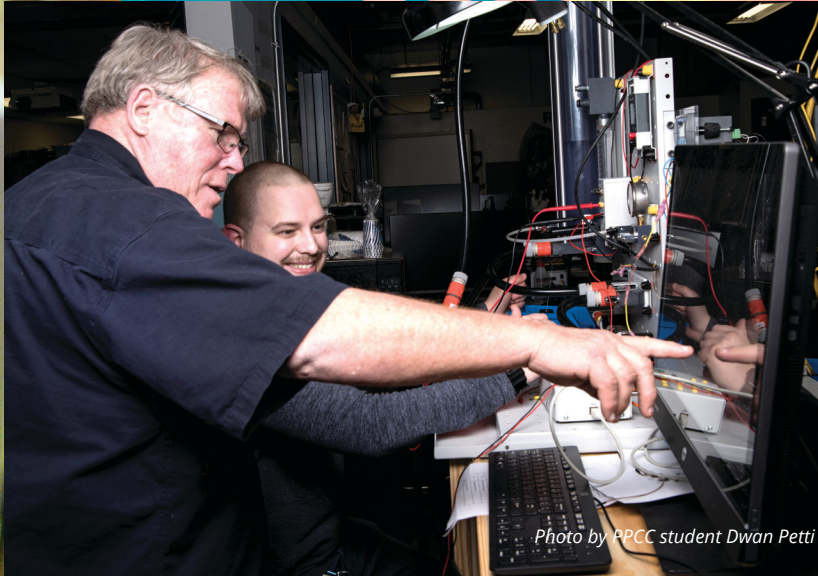


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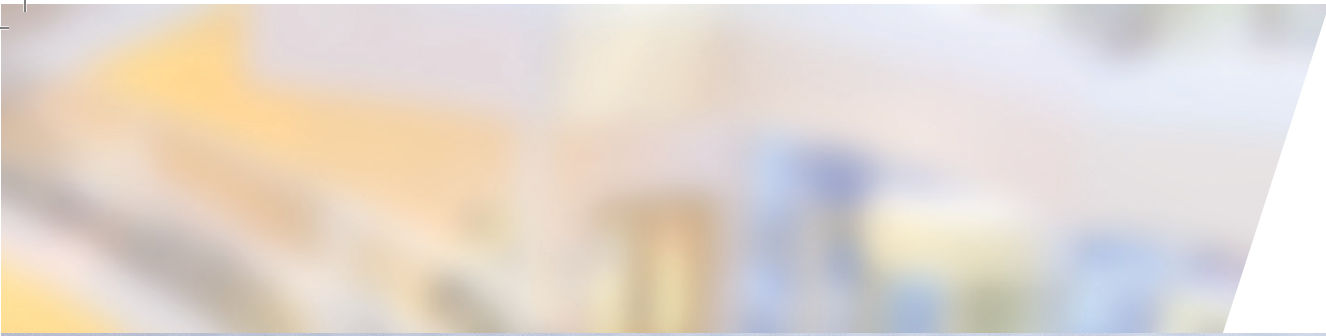
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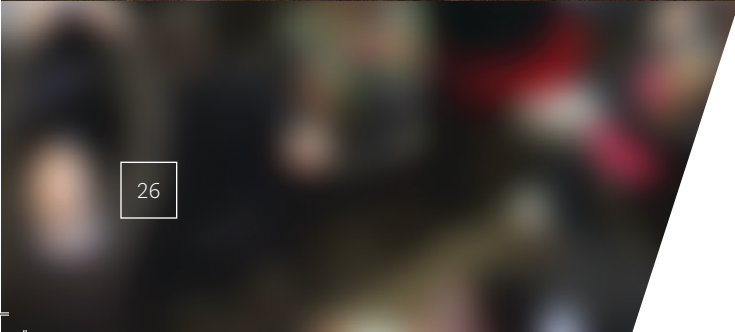
In high-demand areas, such as advanced manufacturing, cybersecurity or construction, more jobs are available than there are trained workers to fill them. We'll help you bridge those gaps.


**PEAK FACT**

The NSA has designated PPCC a Cybersecurity Center of Academic Excellence.



*Photo by PPCC student Sondra Glovan*





*“My favorite experiences at PPCC would be taking the Student Success Class, which helped my transition from the army, and joining Black Student Union, Phi Theta Kappa and Phi Beta Lambda. Each club brought its own sense of community to community college.”*

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**Dre Guy**  
*Business Major | Phi Theta Kappa  
Black Student Union President*

Make it  
**HAPPEN**



**Downtown Studio Campus**  
100 West Pikes Peak Avenue  
Colorado Springs, CO 80903

**Centennial Campus**  
5675 South Academy Boulevard  
Colorado Springs, CO 80906

**Rampart Range Campus**  
2070 Interquest Parkway  
Colorado Springs, CO 80921

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