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## Introduction

Highline College is nationally and internationally recognized as a premier college, a reputation earned through the development of an institutional culture that values innovation, globalization of curriculum and community participation. Founded in 1961 as the first community college in King County, located just south of Seattle, Highline now offers applied bachelor's degrees in six high-demand programs.

Diversity and inclusion are bedrocks of the institution. In 2014, this commitment earned the college the prestigious Award of Excellence for Advancing Diversity from the American Association of Community Colleges, recognizing Highline as a leader among the nation's community colleges for increasing diversity as well as educational and social justice equity. Highline is also a four-time winner of the HEED Award and the 2016 winner of the ACCT Equity Award for the Pacific Region. These awards speak to the college's support of historically disadvantaged and underrepresented individuals in postsecondary education.

## Accreditation

Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities

## Student Profile

Highline is the most diverse higher education institution in the state, with more than 70% students of color. Highline is designated as a Minority-Serving Institution by the U.S. Dept. of Education. Total Enrollment: 16,607 students (2018-19)  
Faculty/Student Ratio: 1:17

## Program Intent

College/University Transfer: 46%  
Professional-Technical: 16%  
Basic Skills: 34%  
Applied Baccalaureate: 2%

## Admission Requirements and Criteria

### General Eligibility

- Any applicant who is at least 18 years old or who has completed high school.
- Those under 18 who have not completed high school are admitted conditionally; these students need to be also admitted into one of our high school programs (e.g., ELL ExCEL, Pathway to College, Running Start)

### Selective Admissions Programs

AAS programs: [admissions.highline.edu/apply/aas-selective-admissions](http://admissions.highline.edu/apply/aas-selective-admissions)

- Registered Nursing
- Respiratory Care

High School Programs: [highline.edu/what-we-offer/finish-high-school/](http://highline.edu/what-we-offer/finish-high-school/)

- Associate Degree Earns High School Diploma
- Career Start
- ELL ExCEL
- GED
- High School Completion
- High School Enhancement
- Pathway to College
- Running Start

Applied bachelor's programs: [highline.edu/bas](http://highline.edu/bas)

- Cybersecurity and Forensics
- Global Trade and Logistics
- Integrated Design
- Respiratory Care
- Teaching and Early Learning
- Youth Development

### Dual Credit Options

[highline.edu/what-we-offer/finish-high-school/](http://highline.edu/what-we-offer/finish-high-school/)  
Career Start, ELL ExCEL, High School Enhancement, Pathway to College, Running Start

### High School Options

[highline.edu/what-we-offer/finish-high-school/](http://highline.edu/what-we-offer/finish-high-school/)  
ELL ExCEL, GED program, High School Completion, High School Enhancement, HS Success, Pathway to College

## Estimated Annual Expenses

Figures are calculated based on tuition for Washington state residents taking 15 credits of lower division courses during fall quarter 2019, while living with a parent/guardian.

Tuition and Fees	\$1,376
Room, Board, Food	\$1,120
Books and Supplies	\$300
Transportation	\$400
Personal Expenses	\$640
Total	\$3,836

## Financial Aid

Phone: 206-592-3358

Email: [financialaid@highline.edu](mailto:financialaid@highline.edu)

Website: [financialaid.highline.edu](http://financialaid.highline.edu)

Scholarships: [financialaid.highline.edu/types-of-financial-aid/scholarships](http://financialaid.highline.edu/types-of-financial-aid/scholarships)

**Title IV/FAFSA code: 003781**

## FAFSA Deadlines

Autumn/Fall: June 1, 2020

Winter: October 12, 2020

Spring: February 8, 2021

Summer: April 13, 2021

## Housing

Housing available through a public-private partnership. Learn more: [highline.edu/campusview](http://highline.edu/campusview).

## Campus Visits

Outreach Services

Phone: 206-592-3935

Email: [outreach@highline.edu](mailto:outreach@highline.edu)

Website: [ja.highline.edu/outreach](http://ja.highline.edu/outreach)

Call or email to make an appointment.

## Sports and Recreation

### Intercollegiate Sports

Conference: Northwest Athletic Conference (NWAC)

Mascots/nickname: Thunderbird

Colors: Green and white

Athletic Teams:

- Men's Teams: Basketball, Soccer, Wrestling
- Women's Teams: Basketball, Golf, Soccer, Softball, Tennis, Volleyball

Website: [athletics.highline.edu](http://athletics.highline.edu)

## Recreational Sports

Highline offers a variety of intramural sports depending upon students' interests.

## Student Life, Programs, and Services

Highline students are actively engaged in leadership and student communities. The college offers trainings and employment in campus extracurricular programs, arts and student support services. The Center for Leadership and Service offers approximately 50 clubs to choose from, or you can start your own. Students also participate in Phi Theta Kappa, student government, student newspaper, and more.

### Center for Leadership and Service

Phone: 206-592-3536

Email: [cls@highline.edu](mailto:cls@highline.edu)

Website: [cls.highline.edu](http://cls.highline.edu)

### Disability Access/Support

Access Services phone: 206-592-3857

TTY: 206-870-4853

Videophone (VP): 253-237-1106

Email: [access@highline.edu](mailto:access@highline.edu)

Website: [access.highline.edu](http://access.highline.edu)

### International Student Programs

Phone: 206-592-3725

Email: [INT@highline.edu](mailto:INT@highline.edu)

Website: [international.highline.edu](http://international.highline.edu)

### Unique Opportunities

Highline's campus is home to a number of programs to serve the diverse needs of students:

AANAPISI: [aanapisi.highline.edu](http://aanapisi.highline.edu)

ACHIEVE: [achieve.highline.edu](http://achieve.highline.edu)

Honors: [honors.highline.edu](http://honors.highline.edu)

MESA: [mesa.highline.edu](http://mesa.highline.edu)

Puente: [puente.highline.edu](http://puente.highline.edu)

TRiO: [trio.highline.edu](http://trio.highline.edu)

Umoja Black Scholars: [umoja.highline.edu](http://umoja.highline.edu)

### Veterans

Veterans Services

Phone: 206-592-3285

Email: [veterans@highline.edu](mailto:veterans@highline.edu)

Website: [veterans.highline.edu](http://veterans.highline.edu)

Veterans Programs: [highline.edu/academic-support/veterans-services](http://highline.edu/academic-support/veterans-services)