



# EXPERIENCE SPC



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At SPC, we offer students the ability to do what matters to them, with opportunities to learn both inside and out of the classroom. Education is not just about earning your credentials, it's about the experiences that inspire you to lead; to create; to make a difference. Your career is important, and you will be best prepared for it because of the experience you gain at SPC.

We prepare you for what's next.

BECAUSE  
WHAT'S NEXT  
MATTERS.



St. Petersburg College is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges (SACS-COC) to award selected bachelor's degrees in science and bachelor's degrees in applied science; associate degrees in arts in science, and associate degrees in applied science; as well as certificates and applied technology diplomas. Contact the Commission on Colleges at 1866 Southern Lane, Decatur, Georgia 30033-4097, or call 404-679-4500 for questions about the accreditation of St. Petersburg College.

# THE FACTS

More than  
**100**  
degrees and  
programs

**72%**  
of students  
are part time

AWARDED  
**156,574**  
DEGREES  
SINCE 1927

**98%**  
of students  
surveyed would  
recommend SPC  
to a friend

Founded in  
**1927**

Florida's 1st  
**TWO-YEAR  
COLLEGE**  
AND FIRST TO  
OFFER  
**BACHELOR'S  
DEGREES**

Male:Female  
RATIO  
**4:6**

**44,000+**  
enrolled for credit

of students  
surveyed would  
recommend SPC  
to a friend

**#1** in State of Florida for possessing the most valuable job skills among two-year colleges by the Metropolitan Policy Program at the Brookings Institution

**#1** Top College in Florida by [onlinecolleges.com](http://onlinecolleges.com) 2016

**Named a Leader College** by Achieving the Dream

**Best for Veterans:** Top 20 schools 2016 by Military Times Magazine

**Governor's Higher Education Leadership Award** for having graduates with the highest entry-level wages of Florida's state colleges

**Top 3rd** college in the number of industry certifications awarded

## HONORS AWARDS



More than  
**100**  
PROGRAMS



*“I really love school, and I would never have said that before I was at SPC. My professors were welcoming, my classes were sized right and support was very accessible.”*

– Maia Farley, Psychology

# AFFORDABILITY MATTERS

SPC offers you a quality education that you can afford.

- Estimated cost per semester: **\$1,344**
- Our tuition is **53%** less than state universities in Florida
- Over **\$6 million** in scholarships awarded in 2016
- More than **\$125 million** in federal financial aid in 2015-16

## AVERAGE COST OF PER TERM

SPC St. Petersburg College → **\$1,344**

STATE UNIVERSITIES → **\$3,200**

PRIVATE UNIVERSITIES → **\$19,000**

Source: Collegeboard.org

## FINANCIAL AID

At St. Petersburg College, our financial aid officers are ready and willing to help you find resources to fund a high-quality college degree.

Applying for financial aid is as easy as:

- 1- Apply to SPC at [go.spcollege.edu/apply](http://go.spcollege.edu/apply)
- 2- Request your Federal Student Aid ID at [www.fafsa.gov](http://www.fafsa.gov)
- 3- Complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) at [www.fafsa.gov](http://www.fafsa.gov)

For more information, visit [go.spcollege.edu/getfunds](http://go.spcollege.edu/getfunds).

## OTHER WAYS TO PAY:

- **Interest-free payment plans**  
SPC offers flexible payment options with monthly payments and no interest charges.
- **Florida GI Bill**  
All veterans pay in-state tuition with the GI Bill.
- **Earned credit options**  
You can earn course credit through exams, your real-world experiences, industry certifications, and military or vocational training.
- **Grants and Scholarships**  
You can receive a scholarship based on academic excellence, talent or achievement, and grants are based on financial need. Best of all, you don't have to pay them back.





# YOUR TIME MATTERS

No matter if you work on your degree or certification on the weekend, at night, during the day, in face-to-face classes, online or a combination of all options, our flexible class options allow you to get your degree no matter how your work and life obligations are structured.

### *Online Classes:*

Each year, we have more than 20,000 students taking classes online through our award-winning online learning program, where we offer more than 650 online courses.

### *Weekend College:*

You can earn an Associate in Arts degree or an Associate in Science degree in Business Administration by attending classes solely on the weekends.

### *Evening Classes:*

We have a wide selection of evening classes, and 10 campuses throughout Pinellas County, so no matter where you live or work in Pinellas, there's a campus near you.

40  
PROGRAMS  
FULLY ONLINE



SPC's Model United Nations was named Outstanding Delegation at the National Model UN conference in 2016.

# YOUR SUCCESS MATTERS

From day one, you will get the individual attention you need from caring, professional faculty and staff who believe in you.



## FACULTY

Our faculty not only hold impressive academic credentials, but they are also published authors, respected experts in their fields, and talented award winners. But most of all, they provide a climate for student success through the use of innovative teaching, hands-on educational opportunities and advanced technologies.

### FACULTY FACTS:

**24:1** Student: faculty ratio

**379** Full-time Faculty

**1,468** Part-time Faculty

**97%** of full-time faculty hold advanced degrees

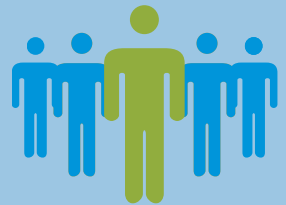
## CAREER AND ACADEMIC PATHWAYS

We offer more than 100 programs, some fully online, that are aligned to industry needs to ensure you are job-ready at graduation. Our programs fall into 10 Career and Academic Communities. Within each community we offer Guided Pathways – a logical sequencing of courses prepared just for you, so you can finish your program and get into the workforce sooner. You also have the opportunity to earn stackable credentials along the way that can increase your earning power.





SPC is focused on preparing you to succeed in your classes and finish what you start through The College Experience, which is made up of five key areas:



## 1 NEW STUDENT SMART START ORIENTATION

We offer orientation sessions both online or in person so that students understand what is expected of them, where to seek help and how to navigate the college's systems.

## 2 OUT OF CLASS SUPPORT

St. Petersburg College offers **FREE** tutoring to all degree-seeking students

- Online
- In person
- One-on-one
- In a group

Students who visit our Learning Centers have better than an **80%** chance at success



## 3 INTEGRATED CAREER AND ACADEMIC ADVISING

Our certified advisors can help put you on the path to success by aligning your academic and career needs from day one. They'll also help you prepare for job interviews, get internships and work on your resume.

## 4 MY LEARNING PLAN

This online tool helps outline which courses you need to take and in which order to complete your program in the shortest amount of time.

## 5 STUDENT COACHING

Struggling students are identified early so that help can be offered to keep them on track.



# YOUR CAREER MATTERS

## CAREER SERVICES

SPC's Career Services department is dedicated to helping our students define or refine a career pathway. Career Services can help you:

- Identify your interests, skills and values to find the best career fit
- Search databases and explore thousands of careers
- Understand the connection between your educational and career options
- Develop a personalized career action plan with one of our career advisors, all of whom are nationally Certified Career Development Facilitators.

**556** local companies working with us on advisory boards and industry partnerships



## ADVISORY COMMITTEES

Our Advisory Committees are made up of industry experts, who help shape our curriculum to make sure students gain the skills and knowledge they need to be competitive in today's job market.

St. Petersburg College is making a global impact by partnering with international manufacturer Monin, the world's largest producer of gourmet sauces, syrups and purees. Jonathan Jones, VP of Supply Chain Management at Monin, believes the partnership is not just about the growth of their business, but also the advancement of employees.

“ Our partnership with St. Petersburg College helps us find employees with advanced training. SPC will give you a step up. ”

*Jonathan Jones, VP of Supply Chain Management at Monin*





“ I was completely prepared by SPC to do my job. I rarely had to ask questions because we had studied city government so thoroughly. This program was so well rounded that I could choose from any department. ”

Mecca Bellmore Serfustini  
Public Policy and Administration B.S.



On average,  
**90%**  
of our grads get jobs,  
continue with their  
education or are  
serving in the  
military.

## INTERNSHIPS

SPC believes that hands-on learning is key to preparing our students for their future careers. That's why we put so much emphasis on work-based learning.

More than **1,700** students are enrolled in work-based learning courses each year.

St. Petersburg College has an ever-expanding list of local and national employers who offer internship opportunities to our students.



All of our advisors are Certified Career Development Facilitators.

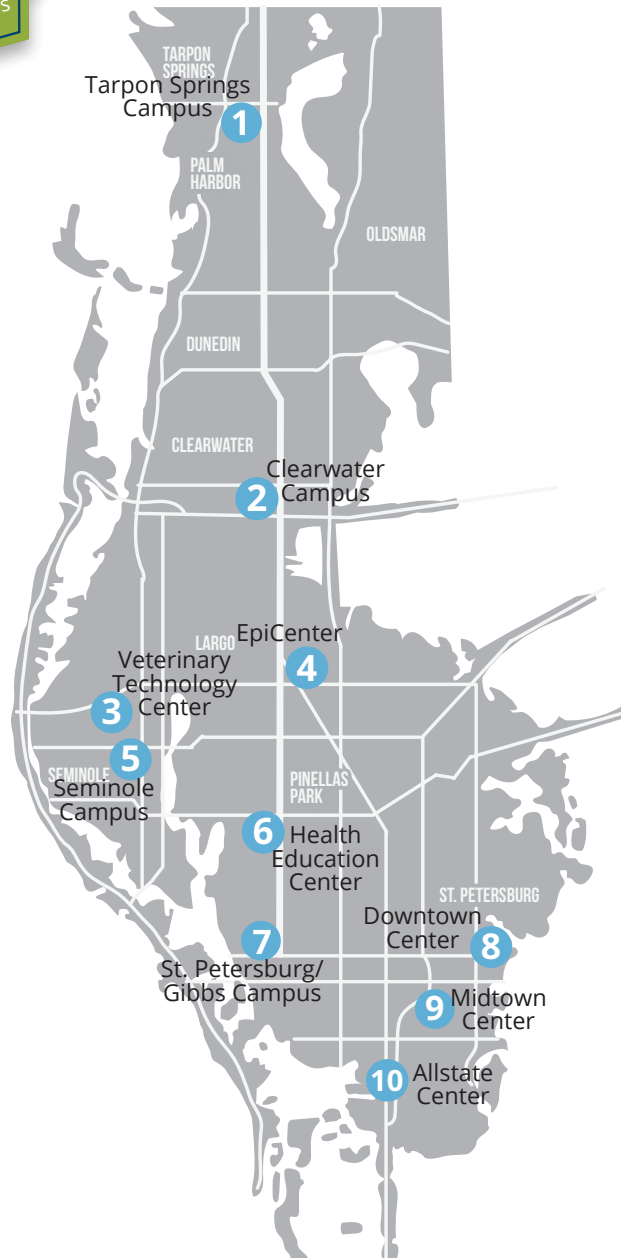


More than  
**15**  
Study abroad  
opportunities

# COMMUNITY MATTERS

If you're looking for a place you'll fit in, our diverse and welcoming community is waiting for you. We have a variety of clubs and organizations, ranging from special interests such as our scuba club to musical ensembles to honor societies and student government. There is a group waiting for you.

## 10 CONVENIENT LOCATIONS



## SPORTS *TITANS*

If you're into athletics, we have competitive sports teams (Go, Titans!), along with many intramural sports teams.



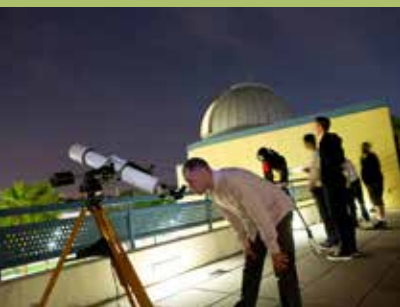
# FACILITIES

You will benefit from our state-of-the-art facilities, which allow you real-world experiences and opportunities to put your classroom learning to use.

## MIRA

Our MIRA students enjoy the use of three studios for three different learning opportunities

- recording music
- mixing music, overdubbing and video post-production
- broadcast production and programming



## Performance and exhibition venues

- **Leepa-Rattner Museum of Art at St. Petersburg College**  
Located on the Tarpon Springs Campus of St. Petersburg College, the Leepa-Rattner Museum of Art houses more than 6,000 works of contemporary and modern art.
- **The Palladium Theater**  
This community theater in Downtown St. Petersburg boasts a state-of-the-art sound system and hosts musical acts of all varieties.
- **The Music Center**  
The 310-seat Music Center is home to two Steinway concert grand pianos and a Heissler pipe organ.

## State-of-the-art facilities

Our Health Education Center offers a patient-care clinic for dental hygiene, an \$11 million building for the College of Orthotics and Prosthetics, and a simulated hospital training facility that is fully equipped with patient simulators that allow students to practice clinical procedures. Our world-class Veterinary Technology facility features 32,000 square feet of state-of-the-art classrooms, labs, surgery and x-ray suites, kennels and offices.

## SPC Planetarium and Observatory

Our planetarium is a “star theater” with a 24-foot domed ceiling that can accurately simulate the night sky at any time or location on Earth. Our rooftop observatory and observation deck feature several types of telescopes for both day and night star gazing.

## Collaborative Center for Emerging Technologies

The Engineering, Manufacturing and Building Arts community features an open manufacturing factory work environment to train tomorrow’s engineering technology and manufacturing employees. The Center was equipped based on input from local industry.

# CAMPUS EVENTS

Each campus schedules several events each term to raise cultural awareness, civic engagement, political awareness and sometimes just for food and fun!





# KEEP IN TOUCH

SCHEDULE A VISIT OR REQUEST INFORMATION REGARDING A PROGRAM AT

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