

PCEP Student Requirements & Expectations

Scope: These expectations and requirements apply to all PCEP Students. A vote of the steering committee can waive one or more of the expectations/requirements listed below for a particular student under a particular circumstance. Failure to abide by these expectations may result in up to the permanent suspension of the student from the PCEP program or other actions as deemed appropriate by the PCEP Steering Committee. All decisions of the steering committee are final and there is no appeals process.

Student Eligibility Requirements

1. Students must be admitted to one of the following:
 - a. Computer Science undergraduate program
 - b. Computer Science graduate program

with a reasonable expectation that they will be able to complete at least three six month rotations before graduating and leaving school.
2. Students must be over 18 years of age and US citizens or permanent residents.
3. If accepted in to PCEP students may be required to successfully complete background checks, drug tests and other checks that are consistent with their general hiring practices of the PCEP member companies.
4. Students must have and maintain a GPA of at least 3.0 over all Computer Science courses to apply to PCEP.
5. While enrolled in PCEP a GPA of 3.0 or above over all courses each term must be maintained.
6. Total credits allowed during each academic term (including PCEP credit)
 - a. Up to 9 credits for the 1st PCEP Program Term with a minimum of 8 credits required.
 - b. Up to 13 credits for each subsequent PCEP Program Term with a minimum of 8 credits required.
7. The below courses are pre-requisites that must be completed:

Course ID	Course Name
CS 162	Introduction to Computer Science
CS 163	Data Structures
CS 201	Computer Systems Programming
CS 202	Programming Systems
CS 300 ¹	Elements of Software Engineering

¹ Students can be registered in this course at the time of application in to the PCEP but must complete the course prior to internship placement

Participating Students agree to:

1. Attend all scheduled interview slots during their RUSH.
2. Rate participating companies at the end of the RUSH.
 - a. Failure to return the ratings by the deadline communicated will be construed to be an opt-out from the PCEP program.

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3. Agree to complete at least three six month PCEP rotations with at least two PCEP companies, and performing each of the Software Development, Quality Assurance and Developer Operations tracks at least once.
4. Accept a six month assignment at any PCEP member company, in any track, once they are accepted in to PCEP.
 - a. a student is considered in the PCEP program once they have accepted their first PCEP internship – if a candidate does not accept an assignment within the deadline communicated at the time of the offer, they will have been deemed to have rejected it.
5. Schedule their classes each term, so there are at least five four hour blocks available during regular working hours (9AM-5PM, Monday through Friday). For instance, a four hour block in the morning and afternoon on Tuesday and Thursday and a four hour block on Friday mornings. Or, a four hour block each morning Monday through Friday. Companies are not obligated to schedule work outside of regular working hours.
6. Not to accept a full-time, part-time or an internship position with a PCEP company outside of the PCEP Rush process unless they have completed their academic program and current PCEP placement commitment (January- June or July –December), completed at least three six month PCEP rotations and current PCEP placement commitment, or have been separated or suspended from the PCEP program for six months or longer.
 - a. a separation is as an action initiated by the student to leave the program prior to program completion.
 - b. suspension: see item 8
7. Enroll in eight (8) credits of coursework the first program term and between eight (8) and twelve (12) credits of coursework each subsequent program term during the academic year, plus one credit of internship or practicum credit, as appropriate.
8. Maintain a minimum 3.0 GPA overall courses during the term – failure to maintain a 3.0 GPA over all courses for two consecutive terms may result in suspension from the PCEP program. Students will be able to participate in the next possible Draft after again meeting and maintaining a minimum 3.0 overall GPA for two consecutive terms.

Expected Student Performance

Students that receive an unsatisfactory evaluation during a rotation, may not be invited to participate in the Draft. Students receiving an unsatisfactory evaluation may appeal to the Steering Committee.

NOTE: Within the constraints of applicable law, PSU and the PCEP Steering Committee reserve the right to modify or terminate this policy at any time, with or without notice. Any exception or revision to this policy must be approved in advance by the PCEP Steering Committee. This document in no way shall be construed to represent a contract of employment between the PSU/Participating Companies and the student intern.