

# College Mission/Vision/Goals

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## College Mission/Vision/Goals Statement

### MISSION, VISION, and GUIDING PRINCIPLES

#### OUR MISSION

Oxnard College transforms lives by offering equitable access to multiple educational and career pathways. Our academic programs and student services prepare students to enrich their communities and to succeed socioeconomically, professionally, and personally.



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### MISSION, VISION, and GUIDING PRINCIPLES

#### OUR VISION

Oxnard College will be a model of state-of-the-art education and training in the diverse communities we serve. We will foster the highest level of student success, advocate for a just and inclusive society, and be a valued community partner.



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#### OUR GUIDING PRINCIPLES

These guiding principles reflect our values. They are the foundational landscape from which all our efforts emerge. As with a physical landscape, the state of our foundation is dynamic—changing with the environment. In order to preserve its vitality, parts of our landscape require attention and renewal from time to time. In this Educational Master Plan (EMP), we have set renewal goals for several of our guiding principles. We affirm our commitment to these principles by this renewal.

In order to optimally serve our students, we commit to:

- A students-first approach.** Our decisions will be primarily guided by what is best for the students we serve. Our efforts will support students' achievement of their academic goals, and enhance their interpersonal skills and professional competencies.
- Social justice and equity.** Acknowledging the historical context of exclusion in higher education, we accept the responsibility to make our college a model of access and inclusivity. We will:
  - cultivate a welcoming culture that recognizes the advantages diversity brings to our classrooms and offices,
  - harness our experiences as a Hispanic Serving Institution to equitably deliver resources and support to all underserved and marginalized students, and
  - empower all underserved populations to achieve their full potential.
- Civic engagement.** We recognize the responsibility to prepare students to become active and constructive participants in their communities and in our democratic republic. So, we will encourage and model civic engagement.
- Environmental Stewardship.** In our planning, operations, and programs we will be thoughtful stewards of our environment.
- Safety and Wellness.** We will continue to foster a safe, secure, and healthy environment.
- Fiscal stewardship.** We will be prudent in our management of the college's fiscal resources in order to maximize their service to students.
- Excellence.** We will build data-informed self-reflection, evaluation, and improvement into everything we do on a continuing cycle. We will promote innovation by:
  - encouraging experimentation and creativity in our instruction, services, and operations,
  - promoting professional development for faculty and staff, and
  - aligning our curriculum with new and emerging knowledge and technologies to ensure students are prepared to participate in the rapidly changing world.
- Collaborative and transparent leadership.** To improve our services and build a more prosperous community, we will engage a diverse range of voices from both within the college and around the community. We will consult with stakeholders before making significant decisions and we will be transparent about the decisions we make.



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<sup>1</sup> Hispanic Serving Institution is a U.S. Department of Education designation for eligible institutions of higher education with enrollment of full-time equivalent student that is at least 25% of Hispanic students.

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