

Clark College Strategic Plan 2009-2014
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Vision

Clark College will engage and empower all learners to define and achieve individual success, thus enriching the social, cultural, and economic vitality of our region and the global community.

Mission

Clark College, a comprehensive, learning-centered institution, provides opportunities for diverse learners to achieve their educational and employment training goals.

College-Wide Abilities

Clark College has identified six college-wide abilities that help students apply what they learn. The core abilities are taught across the curriculum. Students, faculty, and staff continually practice and improve their skills in the six areas. The abilities include:

Communication: The ability to understand and deliver written, spoken, and visual communications clearly and accurately.

Critical Thinking/Problem Solving: The ability to formulate, evaluate, and synthesize facts, data, ideas, assumptions, values, and points of view.

Effective Citizenship: The ability to identify community issues; evaluate and respect various opinions and values; and articulate one's own perspective.

Global/Multicultural Perspectives: The ability to identify, analyze, and demonstrate how culture shapes world perceptions, values, and behaviors.

Information/Technology: The ability to identify resources; retrieve and manage data; interpret, evaluate, and use information; and adapt to changing technologies.

Life-long Learning: The ability to set and revise goals, access resources, and assume responsibility for one's own learning.

Strategic Directions (formerly "Mission Imperatives")
(10 year goals)

1. Focus on Learning

The College will focus on learning as the foundation for decision making with respect to planning, technology, location, instructional methods and successful outcomes. Learners will receive a high-quality, innovative education and services that foster student success in achievement of their stated goals. Members of all employee groups will be provided with opportunities for professional development.

2. Expand Access to Education

The College will offer programs and services that are affordable and accessible to students of the community. Students will be provided flexible options for learning in locations that are easily accessible and resources that help make their education affordable.

3. Foster a Diverse College Community

The College will provide programs and services that attract and support diverse populations. The College will demonstrate a respect for differences and an appreciation of multiple perspectives.

4. Respond to Employee and Employer Needs

The College will provide educational services that facilitate gainful and meaningful employment and meet the needs of employers for a highly qualified workforce.

5. Enhance College Systems

The college will continually evaluate, integrate, and improve its systems and processes to facilitate learning.

**College Goals (3-5 year goals)
Under Development**