

TEMPLE COLLEGE PURPOSE STATEMENT

Temple College is a public community college, founded in 1926 through the joint efforts of civic, business, and educational leaders. The mission of Temple College is to serve the founders' vision by meeting the needs of individual students and area communities and businesses through quality educational programs and services that prepare our diverse population to enter an ever-changing global society.

VALUE STATEMENTS

Temple College continuously assesses its programs and services and utilizes the results for ongoing excellence in education, leadership, and innovation.

Learning Environment--Temple College pledges to provide a stimulating, compassionate, supportive educational environment that encompasses the entire community. The College offers a variety of opportunities to all Central Texas citizens through academic transfer, technical programs, continuing education, and adult education. The College recognizes the need for physical education and provides opportunities through physical education classes, recreational sports, and intercollegiate athletics. To achieve the desired educational goals, Temple College will provide a safe, comfortable learning environment.

Quality Access--Temple College provides access to educational opportunities to create a diverse student population regardless of race, color, gender, religion, or disability. The College informs the citizens in its service area of the educational opportunities available to them at the campus, at off-campus sites, and through distance-learning methods. Operating with an Open Door admission policy, the College takes the responsibility of providing courses for the under served, and for those who lack the academic skills to succeed at the college level.

Student Development -Temple College provides services to help students succeed in choosing and achieving their career and educational goals. The College also designs activities to help students develop leadership potential and pursue special interests.

Economics and Workforce Development--Temple College strives to improve the prosperity of our region through partnerships with business and industry, government, and community organizations. The college strives to supply Central Texas with a skilled, educated workforce by providing programs for individuals who wish to enrich their lives or to enhance existing knowledge and skills to meet new job demands. Temple College is a critical link for promoting life-long learning.

Community Partnerships--Temple College serves as a catalyst for cultural, artistic, intellectual, and physical activities to enrich the lives of Central Texans through its humanities, fine arts, and athletic programs.

Technology--Temple College endeavors to offer the latest technology to help students and instructors attain their educational goals by providing modern learning resources, tools, and technology.

Stewardship--Temple College believes the most important resource of the college is its people who are an integral component of a supportive collegial work environment, which rewards excellence. The College is aware that the community has entrusted it with resources and strives to return that trust by assuring maximum benefit for the community.

Secure Environment- Temple College is dedicated to providing a safe and secure environment through a comprehensive Emergency Management program.

Temple College is committed to excellence in helping students reach their potential by developing their academic competencies, critical thinking skills, communication proficiency, civic responsibility, and global awareness. As a leader in education, the College is proud of its mission of challenging the human mind to explore new ideas and seek new opportunities.

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