



San Luis Obispo County Community College District
FINAL PROPOSED MISSION STATEMENT¹

Cuesta College is an inclusive institution that inspires a diverse student population to achieve their educational goals.²

We effectively support students in their efforts to improve foundational skills, transfer to four-year institutions, earn certificates or associate degrees, and advance in the workforce.³

Through dynamic and challenging learning opportunities, Cuesta College improves lives by promoting cultural, intellectual, and professional growth.⁴ We prepare students to become engaged citizens in our increasingly complex communities and world.⁵

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¹ The mission statement is intended to accomplish the following, as outlined in the Mission Statement Workshop on 11-26-12: inspires support and commitment to the student population, is convincing and easy to grasp, describes the district's mission with active verbs, and is memorable enough to recall or repeat.

² This statement addresses the Accrediting Commission for Colleges and Junior Colleges (ACCJC) Standard I.A by "defining the intended student population" as the diverse students who attend Cuesta College, and embraces diversity by welcoming all students.

³ This statement aligns the district's mission with the required items in the California Community College's primary mission as defined by California Community College Chancellor's Office. This statement also meets the Title 5 criteria for college missions in the California Educational Code Section 66010.4. This statement also "defines the institution's broad educational purposes" as required by ACCJC Standard I.A, and further identifies the intended student population as those students who seek to accomplish the identified goals.

⁴ This statement reflects the district's commitment to achieving student learning as required by Standard I.A. Cultural, intellectual and professional growth represent three of Cuesta's Institutional Learning Outcomes. This statement is intended motivate all district employees to promote student learning, as discussed in the Mission Statement Workshop on 11-26-12.

⁵ Engagement in a complex world represents several of Cuesta's Institutional Learning Outcomes.

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