Mission Statement and 2017-2021 Strategic Goals

Delgado Community College Mission

Delgado Community College, a comprehensive community college, offers programs through the Associate degree. The College provides a learning-centered environment through face-to-face and distance education to prepare students from diverse backgrounds to attain their educational, career, and personal goals, to think critically, to demonstrate leadership and to be productive and responsible citizens.

Delgado Community College Vision

Delgado Community College is a diverse, dynamic, comprehensive community college committed to student success through innovative leadership, to excellence in teaching and learning, and to the cultural enrichment of the community it serves.

Delgado Community College Core Values

We, at Delgado Community College, value:

• The worth of each individual
• Lifelong learning and the pursuit of knowledge
• Excellence in teaching in an accessible learning centered environment
• Meeting the needs of a changing workforce
• The cultural diversity of our students, faculty, staff, and administration
• Public trust, and personal and professional integrity and accountability
• Our responsibility to community, state, nation, and world
STRATEGIC GOAL I: Student Success

Goal I-A  Create a Culture of Completion

Objectives:

I-A.1 Reduce barriers to student access to lifelong learning
I-A.2 Increase opportunities for concurrent and dual enrollment
I-A.3 Utilize articulation agreements as recruiting tools
I-A.4 Promote lifelong learning and provide career advancement strategies for students
I-A.5 Identify and address barriers to student completion

Goal I-B  Embrace Excellence in Teaching and Learning

Objectives:

I-B.1 Become a statewide leader in innovative developmental education
I-B.2 Enhance programs to ensure employability of graduates
I-B.3 Enhance programs to ensure meaningful transferability to four year institutions
I-B.4 Embrace innovative, data-driven instructional design in all educational programs
I-B.5 Ensure professional development opportunities align with strategic priorities
I-B.6 Expand professional development opportunities for faculty and staff
I-B.7 Continue to strengthen access to instructional technology in all learning

Goal I-C  Ensure Student Success

Objectives:

I-C.1 Ensure that all members of the College community provide effective, quality services to our students
I-C.2 Expand advising resources to improve student access, persistence, and completion
I-C.3 Support the College’s RIGHT Path Initiative

STRATEGIC GOAL II: Community Engagement

Goal II-A  Develop the Emerging Workforce

Objectives:

II-A.1 Be a driving force for economic and workforce development
II-A.2 Because the College is an integral part of the community, recognize and encourage employee involvement and participation in the region
II-A.3 Strengthen existing and develop new relationships between industry partners, academic programs, and workforce initiatives
II-A.4 Develop innovative ways to deliver training, certification and educational programs in high demand occupations
II-A.5 Expand capacity in programs that lead to high demand occupations
Goal II-B  Create a Unified Vision

Objectives:
   II-B.1 Craft a clear identity for the College and embed it within a comprehensive branding strategy
   II-B.2 Highlight our institution’s successes to showcase progress and improvements
   II-B.3 Develop a marketing and recruitment plan that includes a diverse group of both faculty and staff and develops rich relationships
   II-B.4 Ensure facilities are safe and a good reflection of the College

STRATEGIC GOAL III: Organizational Effectiveness

Goal III-A  Embrace Cultural Transformation

Objectives:
   III-A.1 Optimize employee engagement
   III-A.2 Develop and institute communication channels to internal stakeholders, ensuring that all are aware of activities and updates
   III-A.3 Create a positive, supportive work environment for all
   III-A.4 Promote a culture of collaboration among all members of the Delgado family

Goal III-B  Ensure Transparency, Efficiency, and Accountability

Objectives:
   III-B.1 Review programs and curricula to ensure relevancy and viability
   III-B.2 Acquire and utilize a student advising tracking system and degree audit program
   III-B.3 Engage in strategic budget planning to align activities with strategic priorities
   III-B.4 Build an internal communications structure
   III-B.5 Create a communications system that allows for deeper and more meaningful relationships with external partners

Goal III-C  Ensure a Sustainable College

Objectives:
   III-C.1 Allocate financial resources to align activities with strategic priorities
   III-C.2 Design and implement a systematic approach to grants development and management
   III-C.3 Cultivate a financial aid process that reduces barriers to federal, state, and private student funding
   III-C.4 Create and implement a targeted fund development plan
   III-C.5 Develop and implement a capital campaign for the College
   III-C.6 Building on the comprehensive facilities utilization plan, develop a proactive facilities maintenance schedule