

Fort Lewis College Mission and Core Values to be proposed to the BOT on December 2, 2016

Proposed Mission Statement

“Fort Lewis College provides an integrated and formative liberal arts and professional education to a diverse student population, preparing global citizens to work in and contribute to a complex world.”

Proposed Core Values

Core Value Domain	Core Value Statements
Education	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We vigorously protect academic freedom as the foundation for learning, inquiry, free expression, and the advancement of knowledge. • We are committed to personalized experiential learning. • We provide connected knowing and independent and collaborative learning. • We offer courses, majors, and programs that will benefit students and society.
Diversity	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We see diversity as a source of renewal and vitality. • We honor our historic commitment to Native American education. • We are committed to treating everyone with respect, dignity, and consideration.
Community	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We prepare students to be productive members of society while they are in school and after graduation. • We are committed to making our community a better place to live and work. • We partner with the community and businesses to expand service to Southwest Colorado, the region, the state, and the country. • We serve as a resource for our community.
High Expectations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We define purposeful, high-impact outcomes. • We are committed to challenging students, faculty, and staff to move beyond the ordinary. • We challenge and hold each other accountable to achieving those expectations. • We provide an environment that rewards creativity. • We hold each other accountable for improvement and continual renewal.
Stewardship	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We practice responsible planning and prudent financial management. • We explain and communicate the rationale behind our decisions. • We work to protect and strengthen the reputation of Fort Lewis College. • We protect the natural resources under our stewardship. • We will offer the necessary tools and resources to support faculty and staff in pursuit of their professional development.
Relevance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We are committed to holding a significant and positive position in Higher Education, in the workforce and in our community. • We provide education that is practical, applicable, and contemporary. • We make use of best practices. • We are an employer of choice.