



Mission, Vision, Core Values, Strategic Goals & Objectives



Academic Years 2010-2013

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About the College

The institution has been providing post-secondary educational opportunities since 1945, when it was founded as Vallejo Junior College, a part of the Vallejo Unified School District. In 1967, the College became an independent educational entity, renamed Solano County Community College, and in 1971 relocated to its current 192-acre campus just off the Interstate 80 corridor near the geographic center of Solano County in order to better serve the residents county-wide. In the 1990s, the institution's name was changed to the present Solano Community College (SCC).

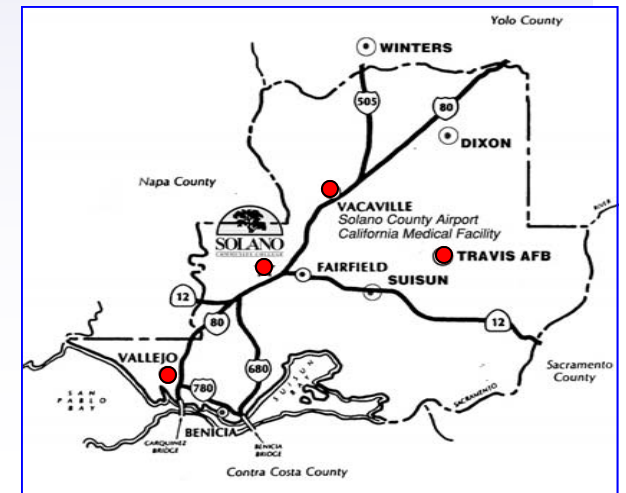
As part of the 109-campus, state-wide California Community College System, Solano Community College enrolls about 12,000 students each semester, and about half as many during the summer session. During a single academic year (summer through spring), between 18,000 and 20,000 students enroll in at least one-half unit of credit at the College.

Solano Community College offers classes at its Fairfield campus and at its two new centers — one on a 10-acre site in Vallejo and the other on a 60-acre site in Vacaville. The College also offers courses at the

University Center on Travis Air Force Base, at the Solano County Airport (Vacaville), and at other locations throughout the County, as needed.

The College offers 91 associate degrees and 40 certificates of achievement. More than 1,100 degrees and certificates are awarded each year and between 450 to 600 students transfer each year to campuses in the University of California, California State University, and other institutions inside or outside the State.

Around three-quarters of Solano students are part-time, taking one or two classes each term. Currently 70%-80% of incoming students test below college-level in English and math. The student body reflects the County's ethnic diversity, with African-Americans, Latinos, and Filipinos comprising the largest ethnic groups.



MISSION, VISION, & CORE VALUES

MISSION

Solano Community College prepares a diverse student population to participate successfully in today's local and global communities.

We accomplish our mission by providing:

- quality teaching
- innovative programs
- effective transfer preparation
- economic and workforce development
- services that are responsive to the needs of our students
- life-long learning
- a broad curriculum

VISION

Solano Community College will be a recognized leader in educational excellence — transforming students' lives.

CORE VALUES

Integrity — *firm adherence to a code of ethical values in thought and behavior*

Critical Thinking — *the use of intellectually disciplined, logically sound processes involving data-driven decision making*

Mutual Respect — *valuing the intrinsic worth of each person in an atmosphere of collegiality*

Collaboration — *working together across areas of responsibility and interest to achieve common goals and objectives*

Innovation — *the search for and use of effective processes or procedures*

Accountability — *individual and collective responsibility for achieving the highest level of performance*

Student Well-being — *considering and addressing the impact on students of any and all actions or inactions*

STRATEGIC GOALS & OBJECTIVES

Goal 1: Foster Excellence in Learning

Obj. 1.1 — Create an environment that is conducive to student learning.

Obj. 1.2 — Create an environment that supports quality teaching.

Obj. 1.3 — Optimize student performance on Institutional Core Competencies.

Goal 2: Maximize Student Access & Success

Obj. 2.1 — Identify and provide appropriate support for underprepared students.

Obj. 2.2 — Update and strengthen career/technical curricula.

Obj. 2.3 — Identify and provide appropriate support for transfer students.

Obj. 2.4 — Improve student access to college facilities and services to students.

Obj. 2.5 — Develop and implement an effective Enrollment Management Plan.

Goal 3: Strengthen Community Connections

Obj. 3.1 — Respond to community needs.

Obj. 3.2 — Expand ties to the community.

Goal 4: Optimize Resources

Obj. 4.1 — Develop and manage resources to support institutional effectiveness.

Obj. 4.2 — Maximize organizational efficiency and effectiveness.

Obj. 4.3 — Maintain up-to-date technology to support the curriculum and business functions.

INSTITUTIONAL CORE COMPETENCIES

The Institutional Core Competencies have been developed and adopted by the faculty at Solano Community College through their Academic Senate. They define the four core areas within which the Solano student develops proficiency through his/her educational experiences at Solano.

I. Communication

- Read
- Write
- Listen
- Speak & Converse

II. Critical Thinking & Information Competency

- Analysis
- Computation
- Research
- Problem Solving

III. Global Awareness

- Scientific Complexities
- Social Diversity & Civics
- Artistic Variety

IV. Personal Responsibility & Professional Development

- Self-Management & Self-Awareness
- Social & Physical Wellness
- Workplace Skills



COMMUNITY COLLABORATION

As we work to achieve our Mission, we are inspired by our Vision of what Solano Community College can become. Our Core Values guide us in our efforts to accomplish our objectives and meet our goals. The College is thankful to the members of the campus community, our external partners and educational colleagues in helping us develop, refine, and articulate these components of our College Strategic Plan.



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