MISSION CORE THEMES AND PLANNING OBJECTIVES

With the purpose of continuously improving the university in pursuit of the mission, the University Planning Council interpreted the mission as having three fundamental themes and nine operating objectives crafted to enable assessment of achievement.

ACCESS theme

The ACCESS theme directs the university to provide access to academic programs in liberal arts, sciences, technical and professional fields, resulting in objectives of...

- offer responsive associate, baccalaureate and master degree programs in liberal arts, sciences, technical and professional fields
- students progress in their programs of study
- provide access to higher educational opportunity

LEARNING theme

The LEARNING theme directs WSU to provide an engaging teaching and learning environment that encourages learning and leads to students’ success, resulting in objectives of...

- students experience an engaging learning environment founded on extensive personal contact among faculty, staff and students in and out of the classroom
- students receive effective educational support
- students learn to succeed as educated persons and professionals
- students and faculty learn, explore and create in an environment that sustains free inquiry and free expression

COMMUNITY theme

The COMMUNITY theme directs WSU to support and improve the local community through educational, economic and public service partnerships and cultural and athletic events, resulting in objectives of...

- contribute to pre-K through 12 education in the region
- contribute to the richness of the regional culture
- contribute to the economic development of the region
In 2008, University Planning Council discussions led to the creation of “Looking Forward: Planning Strategically for Weber State University in 2030.” Often called WSU 2030, it outlined how WSU would grow to meet the needs of students during the ensuing two decades.

In 2011, the University Planning Council used WSU 2030 as a foundation for revisiting the planning process. The goal was to update WSU’s mission, vision and values to better reflect new accreditation standards introduced by the Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities.

The results of those discussions, outlined here, provide a tool for evaluating WSU’s commitment to its mission, and a blueprint for the university we aspire to become.

To learn more about the university planning process, visit weber.edu/universityplanning.

**MISSION**

Weber State University provides associate, baccalaureate and master degree programs in liberal arts, sciences, technical and professional fields.

Encouraging freedom of expression and valuing diversity, the university provides excellent educational experiences for students through extensive personal contact among faculty, staff and students in and out of the classroom.

Through academic programs, research, artistic expression, public service and community-based learning, the university serves as an educational, cultural and economic leader for the region.

**VISION**

Tradition: For more than five decades, Weber State University has successfully pursued a dual mission by offering a wide range of baccalaureate and graduate programs while meeting regional community college needs.

Our vision is for Weber State University to be the national model for a dual-mission university that integrates learning, scholarship and community.

**CORE VALUES**

- Learning through personalized experiences and shared inquiry
- Engagement in community
- Access and opportunity for all
- Respect for people and ideas
- Nurturing the potential within every individual