

## 3.0 Academic Mission

### VISION STATEMENT

Ventura College is an educational leader providing a positive and accessible learning environment that is responsive to the needs of diverse students, promotes success, develops students to their full potential, creates life-long learners, and fosters positive human values for successful living and membership in a global environment.

The College is a national model on how institutions of higher learning can combine innovative programs, student support, and instructional technologies to provide outstanding learning opportunities and community services.

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Ventura College

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Ventura College is a comprehensive community college with a long-standing tradition of active outreach and service to local and global communities. Originally landscaped to be an arboretum, Ventura College remains a beautiful, unique campus with a special interest in the study and preservation of the environment.

The College offers a comprehensive curriculum with a diverse selection of disciplines, learning approaches, and teaching modalities. It is a leader in providing instruction and support for students with disabilities. Educational experiences provided by Ventura College include basic skills; courses for high school students; programs for students seeking an associates degree, certificate or license for job placement and advancement; curricula for students planning to transfer; training programs for such organizations as business, education, health care, and government; and other educational activities to meet learning and employment needs.

The College community is made up of a dedicated, caring, and diverse team of professionals who are committed to helping all students achieve their personal and professional goals and develop their full potential for an ever-changing cultural, socio-economic, and technological world. It does this by providing support services and co-curricular experiences to educate the whole person, one with knowledge, critical thinking skills, and judgment to be responsible leaders and citizens in an open, democratic, and diverse society.

As one of the oldest community colleges in California, Ventura College has a strong and deep connection to the community. It fulfills its long-standing responsibility for enhancing the quality of life of Ventura County by aligning its programs and services to the regional needs, being receptive to requests from the community, and by forming unique partnerships.

## CORE CAMPUS VALUES

### Respect

We believe in the personal dignity and full potential of every individual and fostering positive human values in the classroom and in all our interactions.

### Integrity

We are committed to maintaining an open, honest and ethical environment.

### Quality

We are dedicated to achieving excellence in the broad range of academic programs and services we provide to our students and the community.

### Collegiality

We are committed to creating a professional and supportive environment where students, faculty, and staff can achieve personal growth and fulfillment.

### Access

We believe it is essential to provide and nurture learning opportunities for all individuals.

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