



## Mission, Vision, Goals, and Student-Learning Outcomes

### Mission Statement

Lawson State Community College is a comprehensive, public, two-year, multi-campus college, which seeks to provide accessible quality educational opportunities, promote economic growth and enhance the quality of life for people in its service area. The College is dedicated to providing affordable and accessible lifelong learning opportunities in order to prepare students for employment or career advancement, enable students to transfer to senior colleges and universities, and provide customized training needs for business and industry.

### Vision Statement

The vision for Lawson State Community College is to:

- promote quality opportunities for lifelong academic, professional and personal learning for students;
- provide an accessible, integrated collegiate learning experience focused on instructional excellence and skill preparation for employment;
- provide a dynamic student life experience enhanced by social, service and athletic activities or organizations;
- embrace diversity within and beyond the college to effectively respond to community needs;
- value integrity, fairness and honesty; and promote continuous improvement through advanced technologies and administrative services.

### Institution-wide Student Learner Outcomes

When students graduate from Lawson State Community College with an AA, AS, AAS, AOT or CER (long or short) they will be able to:

**Communicate Effectively** (express ideas with clarity, logic, and originality in both spoken and written English).

## Educational Divisions

- Business Technologies
- Career Technical
- Health Professions
- Liberal Arts and Sciences

## Continuing Education

- Adult Education
- Workforce Development
- One Stop Center
- CDL Training

## Community Relations

- Public Relations
- Prospective Students
- Alumni and Friends
- Small Business Center
- GED Schedule
- Directions
- Job Vacancies
- Contact Us

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**Reason Quantitatively** (apply mathematical principles to address and solve problems)

**Think Critically** (Gather and interpret data using a variety of methods to address and solve both practical and theoretical problems).

**Develop Information and Visual Literacy** (assess information requirements of complex projects, identify potential textual, visual and electronic resources, and obtain the needed information to interpret, evaluate, synthesize, organize and use that information, regardless of format, while adhering strictly to the legal and ethical guidelines governing information access in today's society).

**Demonstrate Civic Responsibility in Diverse and Multifaceted Environments** (assume responsibility for actions and work effectively as an individual and as a member of a group).

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### **Institutional Goals and Thematic (Priority Areas)**

*Key areas of emphasis are established as major directions for a five-year period and to assist in aligning resource allocation with institutional priorities:*

#### **Thematic (priority) Areas:**

Instruction

1. Student Services
2. Faculty and Staff
3. Finances, Facilities and Technology
4. Community Education

**Goal 1:** To develop an exemplary and world class instructional program.

**Goal 2:** To maintain a comprehensive exemplary student services division.

**Goal 3:** To thoroughly integrate technology college-wide in instruction.

**Goal 4:** To be recognized as an institution that is fiscally responsible.

**Goal 5:** To maintain facilities on both campuses that are appropriate for educational programs and administrative services.

**Goal 6:** To enhance the faculty and staff development program.

**Goal 7:** To maintain a model program for economic development and workforce training.

**Goal 8:** To make the community a part of the college.