## **Mission**

The **College mission** statement is the touchstone for the entire planning process in that it describes the College's intended student population and the services the College promises to provide to the community.

The College's schedule for reviewing the **mission** statement is every three years in a cycle that sequences this review during the year prior to the development of the next strategic plan. In keeping with the schedule identified later in this manual, the **College's mission** will be reviewed in 2014, 2018 and 2022.

The current College mission statement is:

College of Marin's commitment to educational excellence is rooted in our mission to provide excellent educational opportunities for all members of our diverse community by offering:

- preparation for transfer to four-year schools and universities;
- workforce education;
- basic skills improvement/English as a Second Language
- intellectual and physical development and lifelong learning; and
- cultural enrichment.

College of Marin is committed to responding to community needs by offering student-centered programs and services in a supportive, innovative learning environment with a strong foundation of sustainability, which will instill environmental sensitivity in our students.

(Mission approved by the Marin Community College District Board of Trustees on April 20, 2010)

The Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges' standard most relevant to the development and review of **College missions** is:

## I.A. Mission

The institution has a statement of mission that defines the institution's broad educational purposes, its intended student population, and its commitment to achieving student learning.

- 1. The institution establishes student learning programs and services aligned with its purposes, its character, and its student population.
- 2. The mission statement is approved by the governing board and published.
- 3. Using the institution's governance and decision-making processes, the institution reviews its mission statement on a regular basis and revises it as necessary.
- 4. The institution's mission is central to institutional planning and decision-making.

## Timeline and Process for Review of the Mission

September 2014, 2018, 2022	<ul> <li>PRAC forms a task force to review the College mission. The Mission Review Task Force develops a review process to ensure college wide feedback.</li> </ul>
October 2014, 2018, 2022	<ul> <li>The Mission Review Task Force submits the process plan to the College Council for feedback.</li> <li>The Mission Review Task Force modifies the review process as appropriate.</li> </ul>
November 2014, 2018, 2022	• The Mission Review Task Force conducts the review so that input from the College community is solicited regarding potential modifications to the College mission.
December 2014, 2018, 2022	<ul> <li>The Mission Review Task Force modifies the mission as appropriate and submits to the college's three senates and College Council for review and recommendations. The College Council ensures college wide review of the proposed revision to the College mission prior to approval.</li> </ul>
	College Council revises the mission if appropriate and
January 2015, 2019, 2023	<ul> <li>College Council revises the mission if appropriate and recommends forwarding the mission to the Board. The superintendent/president submits the revised mission statement to the Board of Trustees for approval. Following this approval, the revised mission statement is circulated college wide for use in all publications.</li> </ul>