

De Anza College Mission Statement Proposals
Developed During the 2003-04 Academic Year
Input from Academic, Classified, and Student Senates,
Curriculum Committee, and College Council

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Building on its tradition of excellence, De Anza College challenges students of every background: to develop their intellect, character, and abilities, to achieve their educational goals, and to serve their community in a diverse and changing world. (current)

De Anza College inspires and empowers students of every background to acquire the knowledge and skills necessary to successfully transfer, obtain or advance in employment, or otherwise enrich their lives and that of their community. (November 13, 2003)

De Anza College inspires and empowers students of every background to acquire the knowledge and skills necessary to successfully transfer, obtain or advance in employment, and develop the intellect, character, abilities and cultural understanding for participation in local and global communities. (April 23, 2004)

De Anza College inspires and empowers students of every background to acquire the knowledge and skills necessary to successfully transfer, obtain or advance in employment, and develop the capacity for participation in diverse communities. (May 17, 2004)

De Anza College empowers students with the knowledge and skills necessary to:

**transfer to a postsecondary institution;
obtain or advance in employment;
engage in life long learning; and
participate in diverse communities. (May 24, 2004)**

**De Anza College students:
transfer to postsecondary institutions;
obtain or advance in employment;
engage in life long learning.
(June 3, 2004)**

**De Anza College students:
transfer to postsecondary institutions;
obtain or advance in employment;
understand and value diversity;
act in a socially responsible manner;
engage in life long learning. (June 14, 2004)**

As of June 14, 2004 College Council Meeting, associated with Mission:

Goal

De Anza College students master the knowledge and skills necessary to achieve their educational objectives. The knowledge and skills are:

Communication

Read, write, speak, and listen effectively in a diverse environment.

Quantitative Reasoning

Apply mathematical concepts and reasoning to empirical analysis.

Critical Thinking and Application (?)

Solve complex problems, test assumptions, and conduct research.

Creative Expression

Create, perform, and understand artistic works (?).

Wellness

Demonstrate skills and behaviors conducive to a healthy life.

Obtaining the Goal

Action plans will be developed each year that describe the strategies to be used to further progress towards achieving each of the competencies over the next ten years.