

Our Mission and Guiding Principles

Mission

The mission of Cerro Coso Community College is to improve the life of every student it serves by prioritizing equity and supporting attainment of educational goals. Through innovative delivery methods, Cerro Coso Community College provides transfer preparation, workforce education, degree pathways, and comprehensive student support services to develop ethical and effective citizenry throughout our vast rural and online communities.

Vision

Cerro Coso Community College will be the first choice in higher education and workforce training for the Eastern Sierra region.

Values

The values at Cerro Coso Community College provide the foundation for all academic, student support, and administrative services:

Educate

We provide students with clear and defined degree, certificate, and transfer pathways to ensure timely completion of educational goals. Through a student-centered approach to collegiate learning, and integrated and equitable support services, we promote student success and retention. We foster diversity of thought, curiosity, and critical thinking within a rigorous and safe learning environment to empower our college community to shape a more equitable and inclusive society.

Innovate

We commit to an inclusive, transparent, fluid, and evolving strategic planning process to acknowledge and anticipate the ever-changing workforce and transfer preparation needs of our students. Through implementation of pedagogical and institutional best practices, we facilitate and encourage innovation and success for all students, faculty and staff.

Include

We commit to equitable access to higher education for all. We value diversity and demand that our campus and classroom atmosphere, curriculum, and programs intentionally foster inclusivity. We recognize that the individual differences of each student, faculty and staff member contribute to the ability of the college to prepare students on their educational journeys in an increasingly diverse and globalized world.

Serve

We embrace our unique communities and are dedicated to the economic and social development of our service area. Through collaboration with secondary school and workforce partners, we prepare students to give back to their communities through marketable job skills and transfer preparation.

Strategic Goals

Goals and Subgoals