

Institutional Effectiveness and Mission Fulfillment Framework

Institutional Effectiveness

OCCC uses these systems and processes to assess institutional effectiveness:

- Student Success Core Theme Indicators with Peer Institution Comparison
- The College Strategic Plan and Annual Planned Initiatives
- Service and Program Area Review Process (SPARE and SPARC)
- Assessment of Student Learning Outcomes.

Mission Fulfillment

OCCC operationally defines Mission Fulfillment within a single core theme: Student Success.

Student Success Definition

At Oregon Coast Community College, we equip students for success in college and in life by providing exemplary teaching, student development programs, and support services. Students receive customized and relevant advising and enriched supports to maximize completion and success. In response to the diverse needs and histories of our community, we are institutionalizing a philosophy of student success and strengthening the College's policies, processes, and business practices to facilitate equitable outcomes.

Student Success Over-arching objective

OCCC will improve post-secondary educational attainment across Lincoln County and close achievement gaps for underserved populations in our community.

Student Success Core Theme Metrics

OCCC defines Mission Fulfillment within a single core theme: Student Success. Four of the metrics comprising Student Success align with the metrics and methodologies of the Oregon Community College Student Success Center (OCCSSC) framework and dashboard measures:

- Completing Gateway courses
- Progress
- Retention
- Success

OCCC augments these 4 metrics with a 5th local metric of Belonging and Early Success.

These metrics rely upon data sources currently most available, reliable, and useful for assessing institutional effectiveness. Outside of, and in addition to the Student Success Metrics in the Mission Fulfillment definition, OCCC utilizes as needed relevant targeted data to better understand the student experience and outcomes. The Student Success framework also serves as the assessment framework for the Students at the Center priority of the Colleges Strategic Plan (2023-2028).

Assessment

The Student Success Core Theme Assessment Table (following page) provides indicators of achievement and corresponding achievement thresholds for each sub-objective, along with a brief rationale for the set of indicators, and methodology for the indicator if not self-evident. This framework places high value on the disaggregation of data within the various indicators, used during the evaluation process to identify

potential inequities in access and to examine presence of achievement gaps within under-served populations. While disaggregated data is relied on during assessment and evaluation, the aggregated data is currently used for assessment of overall performance on an indicator.

Comparators

OCCC's In-state peer comparators are four other Oregon Community colleges identified by the OCCSSC as most similar to OCCC. These are

- Blue Mountain Community College
- Clatsop Community College
- Tillamook Community College
- Columbia Gorge Community College

The College has also identified two regional comparators that reflect the aspirational focus of delivering trades and technology programming in rural communities.

- Dawson Community College in Montana
- Miles Community College in Montana