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Our Mission

Believing a well-educated population is essential to sustaining and enhancing a democratic society, Foothill College offers programs and services that empower students to achieve their goals as members of the workforce, as future students and as global citizens. We work to obtain equity in achievement of student outcomes for all California student populations, and are guided by our core values of honesty, integrity, trust, openness, transparency, forgiveness, and sustainability. Foothill College offers associate degrees and certificates in multiple disciplines, and a baccalaureate degree in dental hygiene.

NOTE:

The thought the term "*members of the workforce as future students and as global citizens*" was an indication of the types of degrees and certificates we offered. It was intended to be a broad statement that included our transfer and CTE programs as well as our bachelor degree program. While it did not specifically mention, "*associate, bachelor degrees and certificates*," the intent was the same. The words were selected to be more student-friendly and focused on student outcomes and less bureaucratic in nature. Of note, the De Anza College Mission Statement does not include these words, though they do not offer a 4-year degree. Given that mentioning the types of awards does add some clarity for some constituents and the ACCJC standards specifically mentions these terms, it is prudent to make the change.

Also of note, the term "*for all California student populations ...*" was chosen deliberately as we do see our intended student population as beyond the district service area. We have courses and programs that attract students from all over California. This includes the B.S. program in Dental Hygiene. This is also noted in our Vision Statement – see below ...

Our Vision

Foothill College educates students from diverse backgrounds that represent the demographics of the Bay Area, with particular attention to underserved and underrepresented populations. Foothill students master content and skills which are critical for their future success. They develop and act upon a sense of responsibility to be stewards of the public good.

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