

ABOUT THE COLLEGE

NONDISCRIMINATION

San Juan College will comply with existing federal and state laws and regulations, including the Title VII Civil Rights Act of 1964 and 1990, Executive Order 11246 Section 504 of the 1973 Rehabilitation Act, the Age Discrimination Act of 1967, the Americans with Disability Act of 1990, as amended, and the Vietnam Era Veterans' Readjustment Act of 1974. It is the policy of the College to provide for equal opportunity in recruitment, employment, compensation, benefits, transfers, layoffs, returns, institutionally sponsored education, training, tuition assistance, social and recreational programs, staff development opportunities and advancement, and all other personnel practices without regard to race, color, religion, national origin, ancestry, sex, disability, age, or veteran's status. Questions should be directed to the EEO officer at 566-3253.

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VISION STATEMENT

San Juan College will be a model of the learning college of the future by promoting student-centered learning, using appropriate technology, employing systems thinking, implementing collaborative approaches, and utilizing data-driven decision making.

MISSION

The mission of San Juan College is to improve the quality of life of the citizens it serves by meeting the educational and human needs of the entire community in concert with community agencies, businesses, industries, and other groups.

To assist in the accomplishment of this mission, the college will assess needs, identify clientele, utilize appropriate resources, remove access barriers, and develop and implement curriculum and services appropriate to a comprehensive community college. These services include the transfer function, vocational/technical training, developmental education, student services, and community services.

San Juan College will maintain accountability in all of its functions.

PHILOSOPHY

San Juan College strives to provide education and service to all individuals who seek this service both in and beyond its service area. In doing so, San Juan College asserts these fundamental beliefs:

That every individual has inherent worth and potential, regardless of race, sex, age, socioeconomic group, or other factors, and the College pledges itself to provide a variety of programs and activities to develop that potential.

That San Juan College is strongly community-based and anticipates, as well as responds to, the changing needs of the community while at the same time remaining accountable to its constituency.

That education is a life-long process and every individual has a capacity for life-long learning; the community college is a fundamental provider in this quest.

That San Juan College promotes cultural and enrichment activities and responds to community interest.

That the College has a responsibility to the community and nation in assisting in the solution of the great problems that affect us at every level.

VALUES

San Juan College believes an ethical foundation reflecting the values of honesty, trust, fairness, respect and responsibility is essential to achieve the College mission and vision. A commitment based on academic integrity and a high standard of individual and institutional ethics shall guide the work of the students, the faculty and the staff.

HISTORY

San Juan College was founded in 1956 as the Farmington Branch of the New Mexico College of Agriculture and Mechanical Arts. All classes were initially taught by part-time instructors during evening hours at Farmington High School. In 1958, the name was changed from Farmington Branch to San Juan Branch, NMSU.

During the 1966-67 year, the College received federal grants to construct a facility for a branch campus on 590 acres of land that the Farmington City Council returned to the Bureau of Land Management. Thus, with the first building constructed in 1967-68, San Juan Branch had a permanent site in the northern part of Farmington.

From the first phase of construction in 1967 to 1981, the College grew exponentially. As the community and local school districts invested more money and support in this