Mission
Helena College, a comprehensive two-year college, provides access to and support of high quality lifelong educational opportunities for our diverse community.

Vision
Helena College will be recognized as a responsive regional provider of comprehensive educational opportunities, as a partner in economic and community development, and as a diverse and accessible community of learners. Helena College will promote excellence in education, maintain fiscal and operational integrity; and cultivate an environment of fellowship, inclusiveness, and respect.

Core Themes
Through an inclusive campus and community-wide discussion of Helena College’s purpose and goals, three core themes have been identified individually and collectively to define the College’s mission.

- Student Access and Success
- High Quality Education
- Community Enrichment

2018-2022 Strategic Goals

STRATEGIC GOAL #1 — PROMOTE STUDENT SUCCESS AND ACHIEVEMENT
1. Construct academic pathways for undergraduate education that enable seamless career transition or postsecondary educational transfer.
2. Increase educational access and support for a diverse student population through community efforts and collaboration.
3. Promote a culture of collaboration and communication that ensures that the College meets its mission.

STRATEGIC GOAL #2 — ADVANCE ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE AND SCHOLARSHIP
1. Provide relevant and enriching instruction academic programs that address the evolving job market and global community.
2. Utilize research and assessment data to make evidence-based decisions regarding curriculum, instruction, and programming.
3. Demonstrate that students have learned requisite knowledge and skills relevant to their educational goals.

STRATEGIC GOAL #3 — BUILD COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT AND PARTNERSHIPS
1. Foster collaborative partnerships with business, industry, and the broader community to enhance workforce development and lifelong learning.
2. Evaluate and respond to on-going and emerging community educational and workforce needs.
3. Expand civic engagement opportunities through work-based learning and other real-world educational experiences.

STRATEGIC GOAL #4 — MODEL AND FOSTER EQUITY, INCLUSION, AND CULTURAL COMPETENCY
1. Ensure that recruitment and hiring practices promote equity and inclusion.
2. Develop a diversity and inclusion action plan with measurable outcomes and ongoing assessment.
3. Deliver professional development and other training to support the increased cultural competency of students and employees.

STRATEGIC GOAL #5 — ENSURE INSTITUTIONAL INTEGRITY
1. Maintain and enhance a transparent process for resource prioritization and allocation that fosters efficient, effective and equitable use of fiscal resources.
2. Procure and allocate resources to support the mission of Helena College.
3. Devise and implement performance metrics for assessing institutional progress towards identified goals.
4. Maintain and systematically assess a strategic enrollment plan that supports the mission of Helena College.