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# GENERAL INFORMATION

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## MISSION AND THEMES

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**Our Vision**

WNC is an integral and innovative educational partner fostering equity and a life of learning in an inclusive environment for the evolving, diverse communities we serve.

**Our Values**

WNC is student centered, inquiry driven, and data informed as we nurture community connections and promote an environment of equity and inclusion.

**Our Mission**

WNC contributes to solutions for the 21st century by providing effective educational pathways for the students and communities of Nevada.

**Core Themes**

Centering our core themes on the educational pathways we provide builds a framework focused directly on our students and their achievements. Transfer education and professional education pathways serve our students and the communities in which they live by advancing career opportunities and imparting skills to successfully navigate our increasingly complex and connected world. Lifelong learning is both a product of and a purpose for a community college, recognizing that educational opportunities outside of formal degree paths drive innovation and access for all populations of learners.

**Transfer Education**

Degrees that may be transferred to four-year institutions and applied toward the completion of a bachelor's degree:

Associate of Arts (AA)

Associate of Science (AS)

Associate of Business (AB) degrees

**Professional Education**

Professional Certificate programs that prepare students to enter the workforce or advance their careers:

Associate of Applied Science (AAS)

Bachelor of Applied Science (BAS)

**Lifelong Learning**

Continuing education or credit courses taken for personal enrichment, professional development, or skill enhancement.