



2025 Fall Faculty Conference

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Academic Affairs Goals: AY 24-25

Aligned with Senior Leadership Team (SLT) priorities

Guided and informed by:

- Ongoing analysis and evaluation of the University (year 1)
- Leading the (new) Strategic Planning process
- Growing and developing as a maturing university

AY 25-26

Gap analysis = Gaps to fill
Collaboration, Innovation, Communication

Academic Affairs Priorities: AY 25-26

1. People and Campus Culture

- Improve campus culture and community to foster transparent, collaborative, and accountable leadership and partnership with Academic Affairs
- Building the Team = *Leadership, organizational (re)structure, and staff to most effectively serve students, faculty, and staff*
- Professional development

2. Teacher-Scholar Model (academic and student success)

- Academic Program Portfolio: New and revised programs (Gray DI project for program optimization = viability and vitality)
 - Curricular relevancy (students, markets) and distinguishing experiences, modalities, scaling assessment and student learning improvements, maximizing enrollment, “fit” at the University, student and alumni outcomes, resources such as faculty lines and facilities, etc.
- Research, scholarship, and creative activities
- Strategic plans: graduate programs, online education, continuing education, global education

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3. Student Success

➤ *Tactics (examples):*

- Expansion of the Winter/J-Term pilot
- Summer Bridge Program pilot (Summer 2025)
- Advising and precepting; includes summer orientation, recruitment and yield events
- Transfer agreements, and outbound partnerships for graduates

➤ *Enterprise strategies:*

- Ospreys Navigate
- Data-informed, student-centric course scheduling (Coursedog project)
- Elevate and reposition the William T. Daly School of General Studies
- Creating a true first-year experience
- Student Success Committee/Task Force – in collaboration with Student Affairs and Enrollment Management
- Task Force on Reimagining General Education



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4. Community Engagement

- Commitment to being an Anchor Institution for Atlantic County = educational access, collaborative partnerships
- Implementation of the strategic plan for the Atlantic City campus
- Collaboration with AtlantiCare as an anchor institution partner

5. Sustainability

- Optimize resources for instruction, academic support, facilities, and infrastructure needs of students, faculty, and staff. For example, Coursedog scheduling project, workload: supplementals, overloads
- Continue to review, revise and implement processes, practices, and policies for equitable, efficient and effective operations across Academic Affairs and reporting divisions
- Evaluate mission, programming, business models for all Centers and Institutes; satellite locations

2026 Commencement

Graduate Commencement

- Tuesday, May 12 (Sports Center)



Baccalaureate Commencement

- Friday, May 15 (Jim Whelan Boardwalk Hall, Atlantic City)





Soaring Forward: Strengthening, Community, Advancing Excellence

Stockton's Next Strategic Plan

Strategic Planning Steering Committee (SPSC)

AASCU Postsecondary Value Framework (access, affordability, completion)

Communications

People & Culture

Stewardship & Sustainability

Student Success

Community

Review of Prior Plan

Teacher-Scholar Model

Mission, Vision, Values

More than **325** members among
SPSC and Working Groups (Faculty and Staff Co-Chairs)

Community Engagement



Stay up to date on
Stockton's Strategic
Planning Process



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Since Spring 2025

1. (May) Campus feedback on draft goals. Comments reviewed and incorporated by the SPSC, Working Groups, Writing Team
2. BOT retreat (May), BOT update (July)
3. SLT session (June) and retreat (July)
4. (Week of 8/18) Draft plan to BOT and open sessions with BOT
5. (Week of 8/24, 9/2) SLT approval; draft to Staff Senate (and open drop in), Fall Faculty Conference, Student Senate for endorsement

5 Priorities of the Plan

1. Cultivate a Community of Care: Belonging and Pride
2. Inspire Minds: Teaching, Learning and Scholarship
3. Empower Student Success
4. Anchor in Purpose: Serving the Region and Beyond
5. Sustain Tomorrow: Stewardship and Innovation