## 2020 Overview



Stockton **University**: an environmentally-responsible learning community of **engaged** citizens embracing a global perspective.

**Learning** Stockton University is committed to fostering a climate of lifelong learning that challenges and continually transforms all members of the Stockton community. As an institution of higher education, we strive towards a 2020 in which graduates are solidly grounded in the foundations of interdisciplinary understanding; deeply engaged in learning that reflects the ability to move across disciplines as well as between theoretical understanding and the subtleties of implementing knowledge; and, capable of understanding the limits inherent in a single frame of reference, whether it be a disciplinary perspective or a cultural perspective. As a community, we aspire to learning that is intentional and cumulative.

**Engagement** Our concept of engagement is broad and includes the intellectual involvement of students with deep learning and the co-curricular, and community activities of students, faculty, staff, and administrators on the campus and in the wider community through active civic work. We aim to create meaningful opportunities for Stockton stakeholders to develop personally by supporting engagement and reflection.

Global Perspectives We envision laying the foundation of our global theme by building a community capable of developing opportunities to collaborate across a diverse world of cultures, race, gender, orientation and age which prepares us for global participation. We understand that building a global perspective, is not limited to travel abroad. We do believe that in this effort, we should strive to capture the wealth of diversity and opportunity which exists locally, regionally, and nationally. Accomplishing this theme is a continuum that we will pursue over time.

**Sustainability** Stockton's theme of sustainability recognizes the need to use, maintain, and enhance resources in a way that safeguards the ability of future generations to use the same resources. Sustainability encourages stewardship of air, water, soil, biological diversity and carbon/associated energy production (and this list is not exhaustive). Institutionally, this theme area means actively managing our own operations with an explicit goal of sustainability. This theme also involves building the capability of our students, faculty, staff and other stakeholders to be stewards of natural resources through education, research/scholarship and service/outreach. Stockton seeks to have a positive impact on the environment locally, regionally, nationally and globally.

## Illustration of Strategic Initiatives Teams: Aligned Interaction with University-wide Community

## **Alignment**

2020 Strategic Initiatives Teams help to generate and develop ideas into proposals for Steering Committee to recommend through the appropriate shared governance and administrative structures.

