

SECTION 2, CORE REQUIREMENT 2.4

The institution has a clearly defined and published mission statement specific to the institution and appropriate to an institution of higher education, addressing teaching and learning and, where applicable, research and public service. (Instructional Mission)

JUDGMENT OF COMPLIANCE

Compliant

Partially Compliant

Noncompliant

RATIONALE FOR JUDGMENT OF COMPLIANCE

The current mission statement was developed over a two+ year process, originating with the Strategic Planning Committee [1]. The statement was circulated through the community and revised according to comments received from individuals [2], the Deans' Council [3], the President's Cabinet, and the Faculty Senate [4], being approved by the Board of Regents in their meeting of February 2, 2005 [5].

North Georgia's mission statement is based on the institution's core values, as determined by the 2002 strategic planning process. It clearly states the institution's unique role as both a senior military college and developer of leaders through its strong liberal arts and professional programs. The mission defines the institution's service area as unlimited, as its graduates serve as leaders throughout the world.

Teaching and learning are fundamental to the statement, in developing and educating leaders through strong academic programs and in an environment of academic excellence. Public service is implicit to the institution's mission as well, through serving the community, the state, the nation, and the world.

Although faculty and students perform research as a part of their continuing development academically, research is not a part of the institution's basic mission.

The mission statement has been presented to the entire university community via email, is published on the University's web site [6], and is published in all other appropriate publications issued after the approval date.

Document Reference:

Number	DB Num	Document Title	Resource
1		Strategic Planning Committee, Minutes, 9/12/02	http://www.ngcsu.edu/sacs/Reference_Room/documents/NGCSU_minutes/Strategic_Planning/Png_Comm_min_09-12-2002.pdf
2		Strategic Planning Committee, Minutes, 10/17/02	http://www.ngcsu.edu/sacs/Reference_Room/documents/NGCSU_minutes/Strategic_Planning/Png_Comm_min_10-17-2002.pdf
3		Deans' Council, Minutes, 11/8/04	http://www.ngcsu.edu/sacs/Reference_Room/documents/NGCSU_minutes/Deans_Council/DC_Min_11-08-04.pdf
4		Faculty Senate, Minutes, 11/11/04	http://www.ngcsu.edu/academic/senate/Ay04-05/Meetings/11-11-04/Minutes_11-11-04.htm
5		Board of Regents, Minutes, 2/2/05	http://www.usg.edu/regents/minutes/2005/feb05.phtml
6		<i>NGCSU Mission Statement</i>	http://www.ngcsu.edu/Resource/irp/mission.shtml