College of Liberal Arts and Communication Strategic Plan 2022-2027

Goal: Student Success

Provide innovative educational opportunities that will enable lifelong learning, professional leadership, and engaged lives.

- 1. Recruit, retain, and graduate a quality, diverse student body.
- 2. Build a system to gather and utilize data from students, faculty, and alumni to measure student success and improve retention.
- 3. Create opportunities for P-12 students to engage with the College.

Goal: Teaching and Learning

Invest in viable, relevant, and interdisciplinary academic programs designed to meet the needs of our students and their future employers.

- 1. Fulfill the University's liberal arts mission through the general education core.
- 2. Assess the viability and relevance of new and current academic programs that promote excellence in teaching and learning.
- 3. Increase interdisciplinary learning opportunities and experiences.
- 4. Create educational programs that are responsive to the employment needs in the region.

Goal: Research and Educational Experiences

Increase and support applied experiences and research opportunities within and outside of the College using all available resources.

- 1. Develop and organize internships, service-learning opportunities, and experiential learning for majors, minors, certificates, and graduate programs.
- 2. Invest in faculty, student, and administrative research capacity.
- 3. Stabilize and make best use of institutional funding, space, and facilities.
- 4. Better educate students about available opportunities and encourage participation.
- 5. Promote and incentivize collaborative, interdisciplinary research projects within CLAC and with the broader University.

Goal: Community Engagement

Broaden and promote community partnerships between the College and the region.

- 1. Create organizational structures which encourage community involvement.
- 2. Invest resources in community success.
- 3. Increase recognition of CLAC as a cultural hub of value to Northeast Arkansas.

Goal: Campus Culture and Shared Values

Assist in the university's goal of improving campus culture and promoting shared values.

- 1. Incorporate the Every Red Wolf Counts philosophy within CLAC.
- 2. Embrace diversity, inclusion, and civility as important values and expand global awareness.
- 3. Foster a greater commitment to environmental impact and sustainability.