Vision, Mission and Guiding Principles

Summary Mission Statement
As a selective-admissions, comprehensive public university, Louisiana Tech is committed to quality in teaching, research, creative activity, public service, and economic development. Louisiana Tech maintains as its highest priority the education and development of its students in a challenging, yet safe and supportive, community of learners. Louisiana Tech provides a technology-rich, interdisciplinary teaching, learning, and research environment to ensure student and faculty success.

Mission
Louisiana Tech University is a comprehensive public university committed to quality in teaching, research, creative activity, public service, and economic development. A selective-admissions university, it offers a broad range of fully accredited undergraduate degrees to qualified students in Louisiana, as well as from the region, the nation, and foreign countries. Integral to the purpose of the university is its expanding commitment to graduate-level and interdisciplinary education in its areas of strength. Louisiana Tech offers master’s degrees in a variety of areas and doctoral programs in areas of specified expertise.

Louisiana Tech maintains, as its highest priority, the education of its students. To that end, it recruits a faculty committed to teaching and advising, a student-oriented faculty dedicated to preparing students to achieve their goals in a rapidly changing economic and civic environment. The university provides, in a challenging, yet safe and supportive environment, extracurricular and athletic programs that foster and enrich the development of its students. In addition, it provides opportunities for interaction between students and the larger business and civic community. The university ensures the university to regard learning as a lifelong process.

Recognizing that research and service are fundamental to its mission, Louisiana Tech recruits and retains a faculty who see research and teaching as intertwined, complementary, and interdisciplinary and who, through both theoretical and applied research and creative activities, contribute to the development of new knowledge, new art, and new technology.

Louisiana Tech University understands its community and civic obligations. Through on-campus learning, through its off-campus presence, through outreach programs and continuing education, the university will continue to enhance the quality of life and the economic development of the region, state, and nation.

As a university with a rich engineering heritage, Louisiana Tech has a special responsibility to integrate advanced technology into teaching and learning. At Tech, advanced technology supports quality teaching, research, administration, and service. The university is committed to providing its students with the advanced technological skills that will help to ensure their success both in the internal environment of the University and in the wider surrounding community.

2001-06 Strategic Plan

Objective 1.1: Increase opportunities for student access and success

Objective 1.2: Attract, recruit, and retain high quality graduate students.

Objective 1.3: Enhance educational opportunities by developing selected programs to ensure sufficient access to campus-based and outreach initiatives.

Objective 1.4: Enhance the intellectual property and human capital of the university to enhance the economic and cultural development of the community, state, and region.

Objective 1.5: Maintain 100 percent accreditation of “mandatory” programs through 2005.

Goal 2: Enhance the intellectual property and human capital of the university to enhance the economic and cultural development of the community, state, and region.

Objective 3.1: Leverage the intellectual property and human capital of the university to enhance the economic and cultural development of the community, state, and region.

Objective 3.2: Enhance P-16 education by increasing university partnerships with schools, businesses, and communities.

Objective 3.3: Enhance interaction with alumni, community, and other stakeholders.