

## Mission and Vision Statements

**Vision Statement:** A strategic vision provides a big picture perspective of “who we are, what we do, and where we are headed.”

### COE Vision

The College of Education at the University of Georgia will be known for outstanding scholarship, leadership, collaboration, contribution, and excellence in education in order to revitalize education and learning and promote the general welfare of a democratic society. (<http://www.coe.uga.edu/mission.html>)

**Mission Statement:** A broadly stated definition of the organization’s basic scope and operations that distinguishes it from similar types of organizations.

*Missions tend to be more concerned with the present (“What is our business?”) than with the bigger issue of long-term direction (where are we headed, what new things do we intend to pursue, what will our business makeup be in 5 to 10 years, what kind of college are we trying to become, and what sort of long-term position do we aspire to achieve?).*

### UGA Mission

The University of Georgia, a land-grant and sea-grant university with state-wide commitments and responsibilities is the state's flagship institution of higher education. It is also the state's oldest, most comprehensive and most diversified institution of higher education. Its motto, "to teach, to serve and to inquire into the nature of things," reflects the university's integral and unique role in the conservation and enhancement of the state's and nation's intellectual, cultural and environmental heritage.

### COE Mission

The College of Education of the University of Georgia has a public contract with the citizens of the state and nation to define and achieve its land and sea grant, level one research missions. That responsibility is to provide the highest level of leadership in furthering education and life long learning for all citizens. This mission must be pursued at local, state, national, and international levels and it must permeate academic preparation programs, community collaborations and partnerships, and the domains of teaching, research, and service.

The College of Education of the future will be known for its systematic inquiry, the scholarship of teaching, and the commitment to service through partnerships as guiding principles for our actions. We have established core principles as a way to express our dedication to excellence in education at all levels.

## **COE Conceptual Framework**

The College of Education aspires to prepare exemplary, reflective professionals to serve a diverse global community; it seeks to achieve that end through teaching, scholarship, outreach, and partnership at the local, national and international levels.

### **COE Office of Information Technology Mission:**

The mission of the Office of Information Technology is to provide leadership and support for the College of Education through best practices in the effective use and advancement of technology for teaching, learning, research, outreach, and administrative programs.

### **COE Office of Information Technology Vision:**

The Office of Information Technology will be a key contributor to advancing the College of Education's Strategic Plan. We will be renowned for leadership and expertise in information and instructional technology; for the promotion of partnerships and collaboration to achieve excellence in the use of technology; for collaborative leadership in the development of new models for flexible delivery of instruction; and for responsiveness, reliability, and customer service.

### **Value Statements**

1. We believe that the services we provide are critical to the mission and vision of the College of Education and the University of Georgia.
2. We value honesty, integrity, and the highest standards of ethics as we work with our team and diverse members of our community.
3. We value accountability and personal responsibility.
4. We value life-long learning.
5. We value reliability and service to our community.
6. We value individuality, creativity and diversity.
7. We value open communication and mutual respect.
8. We believe in balance between work and family obligations.
9. We believe in the importance of personal and professional growth.
10. We believe that the technology and technology services we provide add value to the education and professional development of teachers and professionals who provide educational services.