

Stakeholder Accountability – Talking Points – 2023-24

- SLCC is dedicated to providing everyone with access to higher education, and we actively pursue avenues that increase student enrollment.
 - With the college-going rate in steady decline over the past several years, it is essential we work to reverse this trend because Utah needs a well-educated and skilled workforce to maintain our economic vibrancy.
 - To encourage young Utahns to attend college, SLCC employs several programs to promote college attendance and provide middle and high school students exposure to the college experience.
 - In 2021, SLCC started offering a [Summer Bridge Program](#) for incoming students in select communities. The program helps students become familiar with the college and get a [head start on their studies by earning college credit for free](#).
 - We offer a [College Academic Readiness Course](#) to prepare students for placement into our School of Applied Technology certificate programs. The course features individualized, self-paced instruction in reading, mathematics, keyboarding and/or 10-key. Instructors create personalized learning plans for each student that target areas needing improvement. Ongoing assessment is also used to ensure students succeed in their academic programs.
 - SLCC is proud to offer its [Partnerships for Accessing College Education](#) (PACE) scholarship program to Utah's high school students. PACE prepares students for college through advising, academic support and job shadowing. Students who complete the program receive a two-year scholarship to SLCC.
 - Operating multiple campuses encourages college enrollment by making college geographically accessible.
 - We offer 8 locations throughout Salt Lake County (Taylorsville Redwood, South City, Miller, Jordan, West Valley, Library Square, Salt Lake Airport, Herriman, Westpointe).
 - Our newest campus is the [Herriman Campus](#). The campus allows a student to earn an associate's degree from SLCC and then continue on to earn a bachelor's degree from the U – all at one location.
 - The goal behind building a full campus in Herriman was to improve access to higher education in fast-growing southwest Salt Lake County.
- To help make college financially accessible for all, SLCC recently finished its first comprehensive fundraising campaign.
 - The campaign began in 2018 and was completed September 14, 2023 on SLCC's 75th anniversary. The campaign goal was \$40 million, but the effort raised \$50.4 million.
 - The campaign focused on four areas: student scholarships; student success programs; industry partnerships; and on-campus spaces including the Herriman Campus, the Westpointe Workforce Training & Education Center, and a major renovation of our Business Building on the Taylorsville Redwood Campus.
 - SLCC also raises money for student scholarships through our [Gail Miller Utah Leadership Cup](#) golf tournament and its annual [Giving Day](#) event, which takes place each February.

Other SLCC fundraising initiatives include [planned giving](#), [employee giving](#) and [corporate giving](#).

- Increasing student completion is a top goal for SLCC. We aim for a 40% six-year completion rate.
 - In recent years, we implemented a new model for learning called [Pathways](#).
 - Pathways improves graduation rates by encouraging students to make decisions about their academic path early in their college experience, which supports timely completion.
 - Our 190 programs are divided into 8 areas of study. All programs are guided by a common framework for curriculum, instruction, advising, assessment and learning climate.
 - Pathways guides students to select an area of study and then provides them with an integrated and deliberately designed academic path to completion. Each student receives a program map that guides decision-making regarding coursework and scheduling.
 - Pathways depends on an active advising model that requires each student to meet with an advisor at key points along their academic journey.
- Almost 70% of our students intend to transfer to four-year institutions once they've completed at SLCC. As such, we are focused on improving articulation agreements with all Utah higher ed institutions to ensure our students can earn undergraduate degrees in a timely manner.
 - The following schools accept our AS and AA degrees and the General Education Certificate of Completion: University of Utah, Weber State University, Utah Valley University, Utah State University, Westminster College, Utah Tech University, Southern Utah University, Brigham Young University and Western Governors University.
 - All of Utah's four-year colleges and universities hold regular events on our campuses to help students understand the transfer process. SLCC's academic advisors and our [University Transfer Center](#) can also assist students with transfer requirements.
- SLCC also operates [Salt Lake Technical College](#), which offers students certificates and workforce training that can be accomplished in the short term. Programs include automotive, construction, culinary arts, manufacturing, health care, electronics, media and web design, computer science and network support, bookkeeping, first-line supervisor training, and diesel and truck driving.
 - SLCC has [articulation agreements with Utah's other technical colleges](#), which enables tech college students to receive credit toward associate's degrees at SLCC.
- We also offer [Workforce Training & Continuing Education](#) that helps those in the workforce sharpen or learn key skills. Programs include: event & meeting planning, creative problem solving, notary training, business training, legal training, writing, solar sales and installation, pharmacy technician, medical device manufacturing, computer training, and more.
 - A full list of SLCC's Workforce Training & Continuing Education programs can be found [here](#).
- One of our primary charges as an institution is to maintain safe and secure campus environments for students, staff, faculty and visitors.
 - The Utah State Department of Public Safety (DPS) provides services on the Taylorsville Redwood, Jordan and South City campuses. Safety and security services at other SLCC facilities are provided by local community police departments.
 - [Services we offer on all campuses](#) include parking lot safety escorts, locked car assistance, theft prevention programs, and emergency and safety training for students, faculty and staff. Safety-related resources and information are also easily accessible to staff and students in a centralized location on the [SLCCSAFE](#) website.

- The college has a well-established [emergency management department](#), which regularly trains members of our college community to effectively deal with natural disasters, hazards, and emergency situations such as fire, flood, active shooters, etc.
- SLCC also supports and promotes the state's free [SafeUT](#) app.
 - Safe UT offers a confidential crisis chat option and a tip line for unsafe situations in Utah schools. The app is available 24/7.
 - Through the app, people in crisis can immediately talk with a therapist, and the app can be used to report on unsafe situations taking place at the school. Reports are routed immediately to administration/law enforcement.
 - Per the requirements of the federal Cleary Act, SLCC annually publishes on-campus crime statistics and information on security efforts. These reports can be accessed [here](#) or at SLCC.edu/safe.