4.5. Windward Community College Mission Policy

A. References

1. Board of Regents Policy, Section 4-1
   Mission and Purpose of the University of Hawai‘i

2. University of Hawai‘i Systemwide Executive Policy E4.201
   Integrated Long-Range Planning Framework

B. Background and Purpose

The college mission statement expresses the broad educational purposes of Windward Community College. The mission statement is consistent with the overarching mission statements established for the University of Hawai‘i system and the community colleges.

The Board of Regents has established that:

*The primary mission of the University of Hawai‘i system is to provide environments in which faculty and students can discover, examine critically, preserve and transmit the knowledge, wisdom, and values that will help ensure the survival of the present and future generations with improvement in the quality of life.*

*(BOR Policy, Section 4.1.c)*

*The University of Hawai‘i Community Colleges are open-door, low tuition institutions offering associate degrees and certificate programs in academic, technical, and occupational subjects.*

*(BOR Policy, Section 4.1.c (1)(a)*)

C. Procedures

The process of updating the college mission statement will be initiated by the Chancellor, in partnership with the faculty senate. The periodic review of the mission statement shall include a process soliciting broad input from faculty, staff, students, and community members.

D. Timeline

By Board of Regents policy, the mission statement must be reviewed at least every fifteen years. Windward Community college will review, and revise as needed, the
mission statement every six years in the fourth year following a self-study for accreditation. Every year, the Strategic Planning Committee will affirm that the mission statement is still appropriate at the beginning of the strategic planning update. If they find that the mission statement needs revision before the scheduled four year review, they will advise the administration accordingly and a comprehensive review will be scheduled.

The University Board of Regents must approve the mission statement. Prior to submittal to the Board of Regents, the Faculty Senate, the Student Senate and the Chancellor will approve the College mission statement.

E. Responsibility

It is the responsibility of the Chancellor of Windward Community College to assure that the mission statement is reviewed consistent with this policy.

F. Effective Date: May 15, 2006