

# MISSION

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## Mission Statement

**An Institution of Opportunity: YSU inspires individuals, enhances futures, and enriches lives.**

As a student-centered university, Youngstown State University's mission is to provide innovative lifelong learning opportunities that will inspire individuals, enhance futures and enrich lives. YSU inspires individuals by cultivating a curiosity for life-long learning; enhances the futures of our students by empowering them to discover, disseminate and apply their knowledge; and enriches the region by fostering collaboration and the advancement of civic, scientific, and technological development. YSU's culture of enrichment flourishes in our diverse, accessible, and quality education.

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## Vision

Youngstown State University is where students thrive in their educational and career pursuits, where scholarship creates innovative solutions, and where community engagement is a cornerstone of collaboration that collectively contribute to the sustainable prosperity of the region and beyond.

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## Values

We—the faculty, staff, administrators, and students of Youngstown State University—hold the following values essential to achieving the mission and realizing the vision.

**Centrality of Students** – We put students first, fostering their holistic and lifelong success.

**Excellence and Innovation** – We bring academic excellence and innovation to learning and life for all stakeholders.

**Integrity and Human Dignity** – We root all behaviors, decisions and actions in the achievement of integrity, mutual respect, collegiality, equity and inclusion.

**Collaboration and Public Engagement** – We embrace collaboration and create innovative partnerships to foster sustainability and enrich our university, our culture, and region.

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For more information, visit Youngstown State University Mission Statement (<https://ysu.edu/mission/>).