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MY MISSION STATEMENT HOW-TO GUIDE

What is a mission statement?

A 'My Mission Statement' is a requirement for ALL first-time-in-college students enrolled in the Alamo Colleges.

An academic mission statement helps provide a sense of direction as you begin your academic journey. This brief 1-3 sentence statement serves as a declaration of who you are (value & beliefs), what you want to achieve in life (short term/long term goals) and what you want to contribute to the world (dreams/vision).

Below are two examples to assist you writing a mission statement.

EXAMPLE OF SPECIFIC:

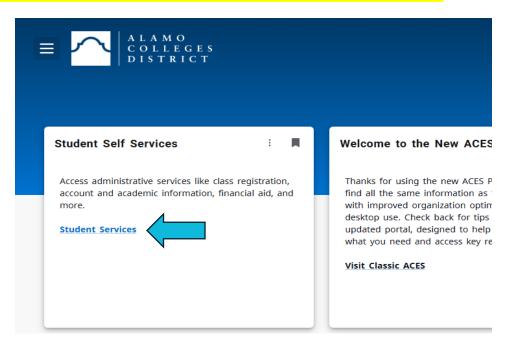
I value my education and believe in working hard to achieve my goal of graduating with 3.5 GPA from Palo Alto College AND transferring to the University of Texas at San Antonio. While at UTSA, I will pursue a degree in global affairs and become an Intelligence Officer for the CIA.

EXAMPLE OF GENERAL: (Use this example if you are unsure of your major and/or your career goals) I plan to graduate from Palo Alto College with an Associate's degree.

After drafting your Mission Statement, follow the steps below to enter it officially in your ACES account.

STEP 1: Log into ACES

STEP 2: Locate the 'Student Self Services' card and select 'Student Services'

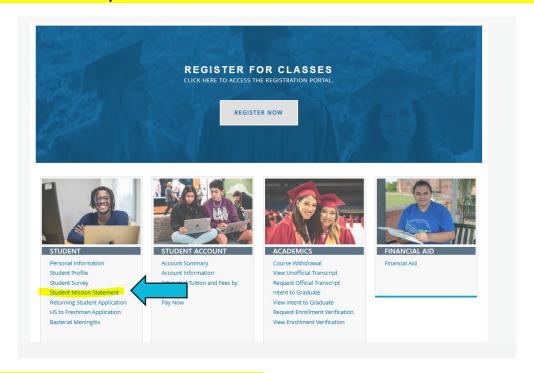




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STEP 3: Scroll down until you see the column titled "Student" and select 'Student Mission Statement'



STEP 4: Create your Mission Statement and Submit

My Mission Statement You do not yet have a Student Mission Statement. Create or Update your Mission Statement This saves text only - formatting from an editor such as Word will not be saved. Maximum 2500 characters.

Once you submit, you are done!