The Next Evolution of our Strategic Plan

Our Top Tier vision and mission guide our efforts at UNLV, and we have made remarkable progress on our journey. Top Tier 2.0, the next evolution of our strategic plan, is a forward-looking roadmap that our university will continue to refine and follow over the next decade. It builds on our progress and recognizes our opportunities as we continue on our path to becoming a top public research university that transforms our community – and beyond.

Top Tier 2.0 is focused around core areas:
• Student Achievement;
• Research, Scholarship, and Creative Activity;
• Academic Health Center;
• Socio-Economic Development;
• Community Partnerships; and
• Social Justice, Equity, and Inclusion.

These cores are all made possible through continuing to develop our infrastructure and ensuring shared governance practices are at the heart of what we do, and we must strategically deepen the culture of philanthropy and alumni connection since this area is key to our financial stability.

Top Tier 2.0 contains several metrics, and these measures are utilized across units to guide strategic priorities and provide a measure of the overall performance of the university.
Core Areas

Advance Student Achievement

Student achievement focuses on improving undergraduate student learning outcomes, experiences, and co-curricular opportunities; closing the achievement gap, and financial aid. Graduate student success aims to carve out and optimize opportunities for graduate and professional students. Workforce development is integral to this core area.

Bolster Research, Scholarship, and Creative Activity

Research, scholarship, and creative activity will increase innovation and excellence in research, especially as we develop multiple interdisciplinary opportunities, and seek opportunities that further enhance scholarship and creative activities.

Create an Academic Health Center

A highly functioning academic health center will not only provide high-value quality care for the community, but also provide cutting-edge research and a source of economic diversity for our economy.

Foster Community Partnerships

The core community partnerships seeks to leverage our resources for public good to advance the university and the communities we serve. There will be increased focus on K-12, civic engagement, and community needs as this core area focuses on what we do for our community.

Stimulate Socio-Economic Development

Socio-Economic Development focuses on the research park, industry engagement, and entrepreneurship and innovation. It includes the humanistic element, which is why it is named socio-economic.

Promote Social Justice, Equity, and Inclusion

Culture is paramount at UNLV, and the core promote and support a culture of social justice, equity, and inclusion has been developed. Through cultural change, we will foster an environment that is inclusive, welcoming, and supportive for all.

Foundational Cores

Infrastructure and Shared Governance

We enable progress in our cores by continually developing and leveraging the conditions necessary for success, including an improved infrastructure and meaningful faculty engagement.

Philanthropy and Alumni Engagement

We will strategically engage in comprehensive and cohesive coordination as we deepen the culture of philanthropy and alumni connection.

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