COMMENCEMENT CEREMONY
Thursday, May 12, 2022
Dr. Annette Parker Presiding

Greeting                          Judy Endres, Associate Vice President of Student Affairs
Processional                     Minnesota Orchestra
Welcome                          Judy Endres, Associate Vice President of Student Affairs
Color Guard                      Minnesota State Army ROTC Color Guard
National Anthem                  Dr. Amy Magnus, English Instructor
President's Address and Introductions  Dr. Annette Parker, President
Minnesota State Board of Trustees Greeting  Kathy Sheran, Minnesota State Board Trustee
Commencement Address             Bukata Hayes, Vice President of Racial and Health Equity at Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Minnesota
Student Remarks                  Elita Olson, 2022 Graduate
Outstanding Alumni               Shari Brostrom, Co-owner, Pell Insurance and Real Estate, 1982 Graduate
                                  Kurt Halverson, Community Education Coordinator, HomeTown Credit Union, 2001 and 2007 Graduate
Recognition of Honor Graduates and Military Service Recognition  Dr. Jennifer Fager, Vice President of Academic & Student Affairs
Presentation of Candidates       Judy Endres, Associate Vice President of Student Affairs
Recognition of Candidates        Dr. Jennifer Fager, Vice President of Academic & Student Affairs
Conferring of Degrees, Diplomas, and Certificates  Dr. Annette Parker, President
Closing Remarks                  Dr. Annette Parker, President
Recessional

Grand Marshal / Mace Bearer      Jay Stencel, Outstanding Faculty Member of the Year
Faculty Marshalls                Mark Wehe, Faribault Campus
                                  Todd Huxford, North Mankato Campus
Academic Procession Marshalls    Dr. Jana Bouma, Ron Dweik, Edel Fernandez, Maggie Fose, Abbey Lane
Congratulations to the Graduates

Graduates,

On this special day, we, the faculty, staff and administration of South Central College, extend our congratulations for all you have accomplished.

Each of you came to South Central College with different goals. Some of you chose a program that would prepare you for a career in your chosen field immediately following graduation. Others pursued a program with plans to transfer to a 4-year institution after receiving your 2-year associate’s degree here today. And some of you will do both! Whatever your goal, you can be proud of all you have achieved.

Many students and graduates tell us that attending South Central College opened up their hearts and minds to future educational possibilities. Indeed, learning is lifelong and we at South Central College are proud of our role in helping motivate you toward further education, whether it be on the job or in the classroom.

Education drives success. Providing the resources you need to succeed has and will continue to be our primary goal. A few years ago, South Central College was selected to participate in Achieving the Dream, a nationwide network of more than 300 institutions of higher education in 45 states dedicated to student success. As an Achieving the Dream college, South Central College instructors, staff and administrators implemented a number of success-driven initiatives with the goal of making a difference “Just 1 More” student at a time. Despite challenges brought on by the pandemic, South Central College has been so successful with these measures, this year we were named a Leader College by Achieving the Dream.

As you walk across the stage today, know that for all of us at South Central College, you are the realization of this dream and we could not be prouder of you! Please know that the supportive atmosphere you experienced as a student will continue beyond graduation. You are a member of the SCC family, and I encourage you to create connections with others who have graduated from South Central College through our Alumni Network.

Congratulations again on the achievement we are celebrating here today and the many successes that await you in the future. I look forward to hearing about the positive impact you are making on your communities in the years to come.

With much admiration,

Dr. Annette Parker

South Central College President
Kathy Sheran

Minnesota State Trustee

Kathy Sheran served three terms in the Minnesota Senate representing districts 23 and 19. While in the Senate she served as a Majority Whip, Vice Chair for Higher Education, and Chair of Health, Human Services and Housing. Prior to serving in the Senate, Senator Sheran was on the faculty at Minnesota State Mankato teaching in the School of Nursing. Additionally, she was an equity partner in SMR, a real estate development and management company. Senator Sheran has a long history of service, including 16 years as President of Mankato’s City Council, and most recently as Chair of Minnesota’s Insurance Exchange.

Gov. Tim Walz appointed Kathy Sheran to the Minnesota State Board of Trustees on September 22, 2020. Her appointment ends June 30, 2026

Commencement Speaker

Bukata Hayes

Vice President of Racial and Health Equity at Blue Cross Blue Shield of Minnesota

The most important thing about Bukata is that he is the son of Dia Damani and Karen Hayes, husband to Lisa and father to Damani, Jalen, Zavier, and Zuri. In addition to this, he recently became the first-ever VP for Racial and Health Equity at Blue Cross Blue Shield of Minnesota. Prior to that, he served for 15 years as the Executive Director of the Greater Mankato Diversity Council, a non-profit, focused on diversity, inclusion and equity in Southern Minnesota since September 2006.

In March 2020, he co-authored a book titled, WRITE on RACE to be RIGHT on RACE Resource Journaling Guide, which is a self-study on race highlighting its many impacts on our communities. He also co-hosts a southern Minnesota based radio show and podcast called DEI: Engaged Exchanges, which discusses issues in diversity, equity and inclusion with local and statewide leaders.

Bukata received his Bachelor’s Degree in Exercise Physiology from the College of St. Scholastica in Duluth, Minnesota. He has membership in and/or is on the board of numerous organizations such as the Mankato Chapter of the NAACP (Executive Committee), Martin Luther King Jr. Commemorative Board (President), Blue Cross Blue Shield Foundation Board (Chair) and the Blandin Foundation Board.
Outstanding Alumni

**Shari Brostrom**

North Mankato Outstanding Alumni Award Recipient  
Co-owner, Pell Insurance & Real Estate  
1982 Graduate

Shari Brostrom graduated from the South Central College Sales, Marketing and Management program in 1982. She is a third-generation family business leader at Pell Insurance & Real Estate in St. Peter, and has been heavily involved in the St. Peter community for decades. She is a past-president of the St. Peter Rotary Club, serves on the boards of the St. Peter Education Foundation and the River’s Edge Hospital & Clinic Foundation, is a member of the St. Peter Community Development Corporation, and the recipient of the 2019 Women Celebrating Women Award.

The family business was established by Shari’s dad and grandfather; now Shari and her brother, Lee Pell, hold the reins. Shari was involved in the business while growing up, so it was a natural fit for her to join the firm. She is a licensed and experienced real estate agent, and insurance agent who knows the community well. She enjoyed many great years working with her dad, who has now passed. Shari’s son, Matthew, has joined the firm, expanding the business to a fourth generation.

Shari was born and raised in St. Peter and she and her husband, Jim, currently reside on a farm in Kasota. Their family includes one son, Matthew, daughter-in-law, Marissa, and two grandchildren, Oliver and Conway. If she’s not at a work activity, Shari can usually be found playing with her grandchildren on the farm or at the lake. She enjoys traveling and sightseeing, but most of all, she enjoys being with her family.

**Kurt Halverson**

Faribault Outstanding Alumni Award Recipient  
Community Education Coordinator, HomeTown Credit Union  
2001 and 2007 Graduate

Kurt Halverson educates the community and empowers individuals through his work as a financial educator and coach for HomeTown Credit Union. Kurt’s work in financial literacy utilizing a fun and engaging presentation style has received numerous state and national awards. He is a 2001 graduate of South Central College’s Sales and Marketing program at the Faribault campus and in 2007, Kurt completed his Emergency Medical Technician certification through South Central College’s North Mankato campus.

Kurt recently went on to further his education and completed his Bachelor’s degree in Marketing from Concordia University in St. Paul.

Kurt’s family includes his 8-year-old daughter Harper, his significant other Natalie Ginter, and her son Keaton. In his free time, Kurt enjoys volunteering, model railroading, and working on his classic cars: a 1980 Chevrolet El Camino (his first car!) and a 1977 Cadillac Ambulance.
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The gowns, hoods, and caps that are worn in the processional stem from centuries of academic tradition. Not only do they lend color and dignity to this occasion, they also serve to identify the wearers by indicating their field of specialty and by marking their level of achievement.

Gowns are traditionally black with straight, open sleeves for associate or bachelor's degrees while a closed sleeve with a slit denotes a master's degree. Those who have a doctorate degree are recognized by the velvet trimmings on the front facings of the gown and by the crossbars on the sleeves.

A hood or cowl is worn by all graduates who have earned master's degree or higher. The length will vary with the level of academic achievement, with longer hoods representing higher degree awards. The colors and style on the outer portion represent the colors of the institution conferring the degree. The color and style of the lining indicates the area of study.

Caps are traditionally black mortarboards with a colorful tassel. South Central College has chosen antique gold tassels for all areas of study. Those who have earned a doctoral degree may wear a tam with a gold tassel.

South Central College would like to thank the Student Senates for funds that make it possible for us to provide each graduate with a complimentary cap and gown.

Photographs will be available for viewing, downloading, and printing at southcentral.edu/graduation

The printed commencement program is a ceremonial publication. The program is not intended to be an official representation of college records. The use of this program to signify completion of a South Central College degree is strictly prohibited.

Every effort has been made to ensure accuracy and completeness. We apologize for any omissions, misspellings, or misplaced names.
Academic Procession

South Central College introduces the commencement exercises with the traditional academic procession. The procession is led by the Outstanding Faculty Member, President, Vice Presidents, Deans, other stage guests and faculty, followed by the candidates.

The Outstanding Faculty Member will lead the procession carrying a mace. The mace is a symbol for two critical matters; it stands for the freedom to seek and teach the truth and for the authority of the college. The mace symbolizes that South Central College must protect and foster these educational values and ideals. Our mace was handcrafted by President Emeritus Keith Stover, who served South Central College from 1999-2013.

The President wears a medallion around the neck. The medallion is an age old tradition representing the chain of office in educational institutions. Each chain of the medallion is as unique as the institution it represents. South Central College's medallion is made from Vetter Stone, with a chain featuring the names of South Central College's leadership from the institution's inception.

Honors

Honor graduates receive academic medallions, worn around their neck on ribbons that indicate their academic standing based on Fall 2021:

* Honors (3.3 - 3.49 GPA): The graduate wears a medallion with white ribbon.
** High Honors (3.5 - 3.79 GPA): The graduate wears a medallion with silver ribbon.
*** Highest Honors (3.8 - 4.0 GPA): The graduate wears a medallion with gold ribbon.

Phi Theta Kappa

The purpose of Phi Theta Kappa is to recognize and encourage scholarships among two-year college students. To achieve this purpose, Phi Theta Kappa provides the opportunity for the development of leadership and service, for an intellectual climate for exchange of ideas and ideals, for lively fellowship for scholars, and for stimulation of interest in continuing academic excellence.

South Central College students must have a cumulative GPA of 3.5 or above, with at least 12 completed semester credits, to be invited to join one of our Phi Theta Kappa chapters. Honorees wear blue and gold honor cords or gold PTK stoles during the commencement ceremony.

Phil Theta Kappa Membership

Outstanding Student Leaders

Student Leadership and Success is vital to a Community College. Student Organizations and the Leadership Learning Community (LLC) are dedicated to building leaders who make a better world. Students who went above and beyond by getting involved with clubs and organizations wear commencement stoles and cords to represent their leadership. Some of these are listed below:

- Skills USA
- Student Nurses Association
- Student Senate
- Leadership Learning Community
- Rotoract
- TRIO Leadership
- Dental Assisting Club

Cord: White and Red Double
Cord: White and Red Twisted
Cord: White and Gold Twisted
Cord: Navy and Silver
Cord: Rose-Pink
Cord: Red and Black Twisted
Cord: Lavender

Stole: White
Stole: White with Red Trim
Stole: White with Gold Trim
Stole: Navy and Silver
Candidates for Certificates

** Andrea Adams-Cummins, **Rapidan, Computer Assistant  
Ashleigh Lee Altenburg, Madelia, Payroll Clerk  
DaJanae Iyanna Michelle Altenburg, Mankato, Early Childhood Education  
** Cody Edward Anderson, **Buffalo, Mechatronics Industrial Maintenance  
David Anderson, Lester Prairie, Applications in Farm Business Management  
Samuel Walker Anderson, Faribault, Mechatronics Industrial Maintenance  
Cleo Atkins, Mankato, Welding  
Courtnee D. Bauer, Faribault, Phlebotomy  
*** Madison K. Bauer, Faribault, Phlebotomy  
Rachel Bauer, Faribault, Phlebotomy  
Mitchell Bigaouette, North Mankato, Cloud Computing and Virtualization Administration; Network Administration  
* Shyla Lynn Binger, New Ulm, Health Unit Coordinator  
Keith Boettger, New Ulm, Farm Business Management - Advanced  
William A. Bondhus, Faribault, Welding  
** Jerad Breeggemann, Shakopee, Essentials of Farm Business Management  
* Kaitlyn Cashin, Faribault, Phlebotomy  
Daniel Chavez, Faribault, Welding  
Eric John Christianson, Crookston, Mechatronics Industrial Maintenance  
Alexis Christnagel, St. Peter, Welding  
** Mason T. Conroy, Cleveland, Computer Assistant  
Joseph Conway, Lonsdale, Welding  
Vicky Coronado, Faribault, Phlebotomy  
*** Ethan Reid Cowell, Ellendale, Welding  
* Juana Emilia Cruz Baez, Faribault, Phlebotomy  
*** Amanda Dammann, Glencoe, Essentials of Farm Business Management  
Yasmin Hassan Diriye, Mankato, Phlebotomy  

* Debra Dreier, Chaska, Applications in Farm Business Management; Essentials of Farm Business Management  
** Kiera Ann Duffney, Faribault, Early Childhood Education  
*** Greg Entinger, New Prague, Applications in Farm Business Management  
Hani A. Farah, Mankato, Early Childhood Education  
*** Grace Erica Fessel, Waterville, Early Childhood Education  
*** Caleb Jon Friedl, Mankato, Phlebotomy  
** Emma R. Lee, Roseau, Phlebotomy  
*** Floriberto Giron, Mankato, Welding  
*** Nathan Goldsmith, Chatfield, Welding  
Joshua Gonzales, Albuquerque, NM, Computer Assistant  
Elsa C. Gonzalez, Mankato, Early Childhood Education  
*** James Anthony Gran, Norseland, Agribusiness AgSpark Agronomy  
* Scott Gray, Easton, Welding  
Michael Griebel, New Ulm, Farm Business Management - Advanced  
*** Quintin G. Gutzmann, Faribault, Machine Tool Technology Right Skills Now  
Holly Marie Hamilton, Le Sueur, Welding  
Eric Lawrence Hazeltine, Dundas, Welding  
Dan Hesse, Chaska, Essentials of Farm Business Management  
Brian Hillstrom, Belle Plaine, Applications in Farm Business Management; Essentials of Farm Business Management  
Doug Hillstrom, Belle Plaine, Essentials of Farm Business Management  
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Chad Hoese, Glencoe, Applications in Farm Business Management; Essentials of Farm Business Management  
Caleb Howard, Eagle Lake, Welding
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Jonathon Walsh, Park Rapids, Welding
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*** David Peter Benson, Faribault, Carpentry
William A. Bondhus, Faribault, Welding and Machining Technology
** Olivia Born, Mankato, Practical Nursing
Holly Jo Bramer, Blue Earth, Practical Nursing
*** Scott James Brotemarkle, Lonsdale, Machine Tool Technology 1-Year Diploma
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* Elizabeth Cooling, Madelia, Practical Nursing
** Alexiss N. Dashem, Mankato, Practical Nursing
* Jacqueline Marie Diaz, Luverne, Practical Nursing
Emilio Gabriel Espinoza, St. James, Graphic Communications
Jon Craig Faber, Mountain Lake, Heating, Ventilation, Air Conditioning, Refrigeration (HVAC/R) - Foundation

*** Grace Erica Fessel, Waterville, Early Childhood Education
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Shaylee Rae Gates, Faribault, Early Childhood Education
Berinda Gitonga, Mankato, Practical Nursing
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Isaac Gonzalez, Le Center, Auto Body and Collision Technology
Carter Guetter, Redwood Falls, Heating, Ventilation, Air Conditioning, Refrigeration (HVAC/R) - Advanced
Ira M. Halle, St. Paul, Practical Nursing
*** Charlie Heimerman, Blooming Prairie, Welding and Machining Technology
Adam Joseph Helmin, Melrose, Heating, Ventilation, Air Conditioning, Refrigeration (HVAC/R) - Foundation
Jesus Hernandez, Le Center, Auto Body and Collision Technology
** Myra Susan Hertling, Springfield, Practical Nursing
** Jessica A. Holm, Madelia, Intensive Care Paramedic Technician
* Benjamin Thomas Hughes, Lake Crystal, Agribusiness Service Technician
Candidates for Diplomas

Noah Ihrke, Owatonna, Auto Body and Collision Technology

Rency Jemutai, Eldoret, Kenya, Practical Nursing

Iyvonne Jemutai, Mankato, Practical Nursing

*** Shawn M. Johnson, Faribault, Carpentry

* Jacob Johnson, Fairmont, Heating, Ventilation, Air Conditioning, Refrigeration (HVAC/R) - Advanced

Miranda Victoria Johnson, Le Sueur, Practical Nursing

Jackson Karioki, Mankato, Practical Nursing

** Travis Dean Kauffman, Grand Meadow, Agribusiness Service and Management

* Emily L. Kiker, Morristown, Practical Nursing

Bailey C.D. Landreville, New Ulm, Practical Nursing

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Mohamed F. Mohamud, Mankato, Auto Body and Collision Technology

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** August Lee Reihs, Madelia, Agribusiness Production

Rachel Marie Remme, Waterville, Practical Nursing

Brea Richards, Dassel, Information Systems

Mitchell S. Robertson, North Mankato, Automotive Service

Travis Rubischko, Gibbon, Automotive Service

Pedro Jose Ruiz Garcia, Le Center, Auto Body and Collision Technology

Manuel Sanchez, Plainview, TX, Intensive Care Paramedic Technician

* Ryan William Schmidtke, Morristown, Agribusiness Service Technician

* Timothy J. Sellers, Mountain Lake, Heating, Ventilation, Air Conditioning, Refrigeration (HVAC/R) - Foundation

Amanda K. Seykora, Lake Crystal, Practical Nursing

Madison Smith, Ham Lake, Practical Nursing

** Tyler Michael Stenzel, Medford, Machine Tool Technology 1-Year Diploma

Travis Stier, Mankato, Heating, Ventilation, Air Conditioning, Refrigeration (HVAC/R) - Foundation

* Beau Jeffrey Swenson, St. Peter, Agribusiness Service Technician

Selena Vasquez, New Ulm, Early Childhood Education

Ellen Vezina, St. Paul, Intensive Care Paramedic Technician

Tina Wachtel, Mankato, Early Childhood Education

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** Amanda Elizabeth Young, Faribault, Practical Nursing

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* Shawn Mitchell Bagley, St. Peter, Visual Arts

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Whitney Ahlers, Gibbon, Liberal Arts and Sciences
Anzal Ismail Ali, Faribault, Liberal Arts and Sciences
◆ Burhanudin Ismail Ali, Faribault, Liberal Arts and Sciences
Fardowsa Yussuf Ali, North Mankato, Liberal Arts and Sciences
Mara Marie Bauer, Nerstrand, Liberal Arts and Sciences
Rachel Bauer, Faribault, Liberal Arts and Sciences
* Ella E. Beardsley, Faribault, Liberal Arts and Sciences
* Makena Kay Marie Byrd, Madison Lake, Liberal Arts and Sciences
Sarah Jo Calliguri, Lonsdale, Liberal Arts and Sciences
Grace Ann Carlson, Northfield, Liberal Arts and Sciences
*** Yaneth Estefania Chacon, Owatonna, Liberal Arts and Sciences
Nicole Faye Colegrove, Faribault, Liberal Arts and Sciences
** Elizibeth Tula Cooper, Faribault, Liberal Arts and Sciences
Lacey T. Cords, Janesville, Liberal Arts and Sciences
*** Jacqueline Jean Cowing, New Ulm, Liberal Arts and Sciences
◆ Juana Emilia Cruz Baez, Faribault, Liberal Arts and Sciences

*** Bryce Donnie Dahl, Ellsworth, WI, Liberal Arts and Sciences
*** Jeremy Tully Derhaag, Belle Plaine, Liberal Arts and Sciences
William J. Dindorf, Pewaukee, WI, Liberal Arts and Sciences
*** Tu Minh Do, Worthington, Liberal Arts and Sciences
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Madeline N. Faught, Detroit, MI, Liberal Arts and Sciences
Madison Fowler, Mankato, Liberal Arts and Sciences
Kaitlin Friehl, Canby, Liberal Arts and Sciences
Jessie Garcia, Mankato, Liberal Arts and Sciences
Samuel Roman Gruis, Mankato, Liberal Arts and Sciences
*** Isaac Curtis Hagen, St. Peter, Liberal Arts and Sciences
** Neimo Hajji-Mohamed, Faribault, Liberal Arts and Sciences
Caden J. Hames, New Ulm, Liberal Arts and Sciences
Hassan Hayle, North Mankato, Liberal Arts and Sciences
Tucker Helfinstine, Willmar, Liberal Arts and Sciences
** Tania Elizabeth Herrera, Waseca, Liberal Arts and Sciences
Kyle Hillmann, Mankato, Liberal Arts and Sciences
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Fatumo Ibrahim, Mankato, Liberal Arts and Sciences
* Cassandra Jackels, Currie, Liberal Arts and Sciences
*** Courtney Nichole Jakes, New Ulm, Liberal Arts and Sciences
** Faith Renae Jameson, Faribault, Liberal Arts and Sciences
* Kayla Jansen, Good Thunder, Liberal Arts and Sciences
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** Olivia Johnson, Amboy, Liberal Arts and Sciences
Christopher D. Johnson, Mankato, Liberal Arts and Sciences
Jessie Johnson, Mankato, Liberal Arts and Sciences
Christina Johnston, Northfield, Liberal Arts and Sciences
Karina Juarez, Faribault, Liberal Arts and Sciences
* Kassandra Karnes, Mankato, Liberal Arts and Sciences
April Kaumans, Browerville, Liberal Arts and Sciences
*** Andrew Kish, New Ulm, Liberal Arts and Sciences
** Aiden James Klett, Faribault, Liberal Arts and Sciences
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* Natalie Portia Korbitz, Montgomery, Liberal Arts and Sciences
Riley M. Kroc, Mankato, Communication Studies Transfer Pathway
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*** Evy Vettrus, Warsaw, Liberal Arts and Sciences
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** Jacob K. Bristol, Mankato, Business Transfer Bristol
* Shawnae Brodie, Blaine, Nursing
*** Darci Krista Buck, Mapleton, Nursing
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Mission Statement
South Central College provides an accessible and inclusive learning environment that cultivates student success and advances regional economic development.

Vision Statement
South Central College will be the region’s leading institution in preparing students for the global marketplace by creating an inclusive environment and providing academic, technical, and professional resources to pursue their chosen career, educational, and personal goals.

SCC Institutional Core Competencies
Institutional Core Competencies are campus-wide competencies. The assumption is these are taught, supported, practiced, and assessed throughout the curricular and co-curricular programs of the college.

Communication: Students will be able to demonstrate appropriate and effective interactions with others to achieve their personal, academic, and professional objectives.

Critical and Creative Thinking: Students will be able to demonstrate purposeful thinking with the goal of using a creative process for developing and building upon ideas and/or the goal of using a critical process for the analyzing and evaluating of ideas.

Civic Engagement and Social Responsibility: Students will be able to demonstrate the ability to engage in the social responsibilities expected of a community member.

Cultural Competence: Students will be able to demonstrate an attitude of personal curiosity, a rising knowledge of cultures, and an evolving range of skills for living and working among others with other worldviews and ways of life.

South Central College at a Glance

South Central College is a comprehensive community and technical college that is part of the Minnesota State system. The college offers classes at its campuses in Faribault and North Mankato, as well as online.

South Central College’s program areas include Advanced Manufacturing, Agribusiness, Allied Health, Arts and Communications, Associate of Arts/Science, Building and Design, Business, Education and Human Services, Farm Business Management, Nursing, and Transportation.

The college offers a wide variety of programs in these areas, which prepare students to immediately start a rewarding career after graduation, transfer to a 4-year institution to pursue a bachelor’s degree, or both.

In addition, South Central College's Customized Workforce Education division provides businesses and professionals with customized training and continuing education opportunities.

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South Central College History

North Mankato Campus

Mankato Vocational School was founded in 1946 as the first public post-secondary vocational-technical school in Minnesota and was governed by the Mankato School District. The Kline Garage, in downtown Mankato, became the site for the vocational school, which offered programs in electrical careers, machine tool, and auto mechanics. In 1950, classes moved into the new Mankato Vocational School building, sharing a campus with the new Mankato High School. In fall 1968, the institution’s current campus in North Mankato opened its doors with a new name: Mankato Area Vocational Technical Institute. In 1984 the name was abbreviated to Mankato Technical Institute.

To address needs of the college brought on by enrollment growth, the Minnesota State Board of Education approved a $6 million construction project, which was started 1988-1989. The 100,000 sq. ft. addition (added to the original 200,000 sq. ft. building) was completed in 1989. At the same time, the mission changed to a degree granting technical college (Associate of Applied Science), resulting in an institutional name change: Mankato Technical College.

A merger joined Mankato Technical College with Albert Lea Technical College in order to create the new Albert Lea-Mankato Technical College in July of 1992, with the new institution governed by a regional board.

Faribault Campus

Faribault Area Vocational Technical Institute received its official designation in July 1964, based on the Faribault School District’s long history of providing technical education. In the 1940’s, one of Minnesota’s first occupational programs in practical nursing was started in partnership with the hospital. The Minnesota State Board of Education approved a $2 million construction project during the 1987 school year. As Faribault Technical Institute, the college was governed by the school district until 1992. In that year, Faribault Technical Institute merged with technical colleges in Austin and Rochester to form the joint vocational district named Minnesota Riverland Technical College, a degree-granting institution.

Campuses Joined Together

In 1995, the Faribault campus and North Mankato campus became part of the new legislatively created Minnesota State system of colleges and universities. The Mankato campus was realigned with the Faribault campus, and the college became South Central Technical College to depict the larger region of south central Minnesota.

In 2005, the Minnesota State system Board of Trustees approved South Central Technical College’s request to expand its mission and provide an Associate of Arts degree in Arts and Sciences in addition to its technical degrees. In so doing, the institution become a comprehensive community and technical college, and the name was changed to South Central College.