

CHAPTER II

UNIVERSITY MISSION, ORGANIZATION, AND Governance

II.1 Mission Statement

Linfield University advances a vision of learning, life, and community that

- promotes intellectual challenge and creativity,
- values both theoretical and practical knowledge,
- engages thoughtful dialogue in a climate of mutual respect,
- honors the rich texture of diverse cultures and varied ways of understanding,
- piques curiosity for a lifetime of inquiry,
- and inspires the courage to live by moral and spiritual principle and to defend freedom of conscience.

Concise Statement

Linfield: Connecting Learning, Life, and Community

II.2 Organization And Governance

Linfield University is a coeducational, comprehensive liberal arts institution. All university operations are governed by administration and faculty, with ultimate responsibility resting with the Board of Trustees. The university is committed to the teaching of undergraduate and graduate students in an atmosphere of academic freedom that fosters intellectual rigor, creativity, and a sense of personal and social responsibility.

The roles and responsibilities of the Board of Trustees, the President, and the faculty are articulated in the bylaws of Linfield University (<https://www.linfield.edu/assets/files/general/University-Bylaws.pdf>). The organizational structure of the Board of Trustees can be found in the bylaws, and the organizational charts for the administration can be found in the Linfield University Fact Book (<https://linfield.sharepoint.com/sites/InstitutionalResearch/SitePages/Linfield-Fact-Book.aspx>). The faculty governance bylaws for the Faculty Senate, the Faculty Collegium, College of Arts and Sciences, the School of Business, School of Nursing, and the University Libraries are linked in Chapter III. (<https://catalog.linfield.edu/faculty-handbook/chapter-iii/>)