

# VISION, MISSION, AND CORE VALUES

## VISION STATEMENT

The twenty-first century marks the beginning of Judson's third century of service. We must consider all that is behind us as a preamble to our future. We will endeavor to become the finest Christian liberal arts college for women in America. Our twenty-first century students must be academically prepared for life and learning, always ready to exemplify the life and teachings of Christ.

## MISSION STATEMENT

Judson College, a private, undergraduate institution of liberal learning and professional study related to the Alabama Baptist State Convention, offers distinguished student-centered academic programs in a residential single-gender setting and through distance education to both genders. As a caring collegiate community, Judson College is dedicated to maturing its students into well adjusted and productive citizens through the transmission of knowledge, refinement of intellect, the nurturing of faith, and the development of character. Resulting from these efforts, Judson graduates will:

- Know general information common to the educated public and detailed information of an academic discipline;
- Do critical thinking and effective communicating;
- Be persons of enduring faith and character who are eager to serve and to lead.

## STATEMENT OF CORE VALUES

Judson College is a purposeful, caring community of students and employees who live, work, and learn together, and who are united by faith in God and adherence to Christian traditions. Based upon the character and teachings of Christ, the Judson community commits itself to "Principles of Light and Truth" that frame our common concerns and core values. Acceptance of these values is a pledge to exercise them consistently in our treatment of others, and to expect to be treated in kind.

As a Christian, liberal arts institution for women, Judson College seeks to adhere to convictions best exemplified in the life and teachings of Jesus Christ.

As a Christian community, the College embraces:

- Faith in God, adherence to Christian traditions, commitment to the ministry and mission of the Christian church;
- The infinite worth of persons and the development of the full potential of each person at every stage in life, and "love of neighbor as one's self;"
- The lifelong pursuit of knowledge and understanding;

- The making of ethical choices based on the life of Jesus Christ, the teachings of the Bible, the well-being of others, and an informed conscience;
- Openness, truthfulness, justice, and fairness to all people regardless of gender, ethnic origin, age, and level of ability; and respect for opinions, convictions and beliefs different from our own;
- The aspiration for personal achievement, economic self-sufficiency, and public usefulness;
- A work ethic characterized by diligence, honesty, stewardship, and a sincere effort to do one's best;
- Service to community and constituency within the College and the wider society.

## **STUDENT RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES**

Students are expected to know the regulations and policies found in the current College catalog and Student Handbook. Keeping abreast of the College calendar, critical deadlines, and all College mail received in one's College mailbox and/or electronic mail is also the student's responsibility.



### **ABOUT THIS HANDBOOK**

The policies, regulations, and procedures of the College described in this handbook are not to be understood as a contract. The College may utilize other procedures, may modify its regulations, and may change its policies at any time.

Although this handbook intends to reflect currently the policies and rules of Judson College that affect student life and behavior, users are cautioned that changes or additions to such policies and rules may have become ineffective since the publication of this material. Inquiries as to whether the information contained herein is the current policy of the College should be made to the Vice President and Dean of Students.

While the College will seek to provide addenda and updates, students should refer to the Judson College Student Net for the most recent update of the Student Handbook.