Institutional Vision Statement
Colorado Mesa University aspires to be a Human Scale University that serves as a model of the world we want to create — a world where people find love, extend dignity, choose courage, demonstrate humility, practice resilience, celebrate curiosity and use power for good. Our values serve as a road map to reach our destination.

Institutional Mission Statement:
As a Human Scale University, our mission is to provide an affordable and accessible education and form meaningful and mutually enriching partnerships that support the wellbeing and vibrancy of our community.

Colorado Mesa University’s mission, established by the Colorado Legislature, is contained in Colorado Revised Statutes (C.R.S.) 23-53-101:
There is hereby established a university at Grand Junction, to be known as Colorado Mesa University, which shall be a general baccalaureate and graduate institution with selective admission standards. Colorado Mesa University shall offer liberal arts and sciences, professional, and technical degree programs and a limited number of graduate programs. Colorado Mesa University shall also maintain a community college role and mission, including career and technical education programs. Colorado Mesa University shall receive resident credit for two-year course offerings in its commission-approved service area. Colorado Mesa University shall also serve as a regional education provider.

Two or more members of the Colorado Mesa University Board of Trustees will be attending the Colorado Commission on Higher Education Retreat occurring Wednesday, July 26th through Friday, July 28th, 2023, which will be hosted by Colorado Mesa University.