

Great Basin College
Institutional Advisory Report
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- The GBC education programs have received \$1.2 million for the biennium to be distributed for fiscal year 2026 and 2027. This is for any student enrolled in an education program that will result in licensure.
- The AA in Teaching for secondary education has passed the Board of Regents will be submitted to Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities (NWCCU).
- Education Alternative Route to Licensure pathway has increased enrollment with 53 in elementary/early childhood and 70 in secondary education.
- The Math Department is working with the Learning Commons to develop a math refresher course to run prior to each semester to help students be more successful.
- The Childcare Center opened the infant/toddler rooms on September 15th and have full enrollment.
- September 25, 5-8 p.m.: Art Reception for Rural Moments, a Nevada Touring Initiative from Nevada Arts Council. This will be in conjunction with Beats and Bites. Stop in the Leonard Gallery for some interactive, all-ages writing and art prompts.
- Humanities Center Substack: We're on Substack! If you're interested in writing about books, culture, music, art, contact katie.karnehemesh@gbcnv.edu.

Accreditation Updates:

- The [2024-25 Mission Fulfillment Report](#) has been completed with institution data results and action plans moving forward. This has been published on the GBC Institutional Research page. One of the items for NWCCU is to publish and share this report with our advisory board.
- The ad-hoc site visit scheduled for spring of 2025 was rescheduled due to health reasons of one of the evaluators. It is now scheduled for October 22nd. They will be reviewing recommendation 2- "Establish clear goals, objectives, and indicators, including widely available disaggregated data, to define mission fulfillment and develop an ongoing and systematic institutional evaluation and planning process to inform and refine its effectiveness, assign resources, and improve student learning and achievement. (2020 Standards 1.B.1; 1.B.2;1.B.3; 1.B.4; 1.C.7; 1.D.2; 1.D.3; 1.D.4)".
- GBC is preparing the report for the Policies, Regulations and Financial Report (PRFR-year 6). This will be due in the spring. This is part of the seven year cycle. GBC is due for the seven year site visit in spring of 2027.
- GBC has submitted the documentation to NWCCU and the Department of Education for final approval of the Prison Education Program. This is a

	new process due to the changes in the Second Chance Pell Grant-Prison Experimental Program. Once approved there will be a site visit scheduled. This will probably occur in April.
Dr. Staci Warnert, Dean of Health Sciences and Behavioral Health	
Health Sciences and Behavioral Health	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nursing students had a 100% pass rate on the NCLEX exam for the 4th year in a row, which includes our new pathway graduates from Paramedic/LPN bridge to nursing students. The Radiology students also had a 100% pass rate and the MAPE students are still testing, but have over a 95% pass rate to date. • The MAPE program is seeking accreditation through the Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs (CAAHEP) Medical Assisting Education Review Board (MAERB). The self-study was submitted in May, and a site visit is scheduled October 2-3, 2025. • We are still working toward offering MAPE and CNA programming in Native American tribal communities as supported by the FIPSE grant. We have a written MOU with the Duck Valley Sho-Pai tribe in Owyhee and plan to start purchasing equipment soon. We have a scheduled visit with the Fort McDermitt Tribal Council to discuss next steps. The rural nature of the tribal communities and tribal leadership changes has made this a challenging initiative. • SB165 – Behavioral Health Initiative Bill was passed during the last legislative session, establishing a new professional pathway in Nevada: the Behavioral Wellness Practitioner. Under this bill, GBC, UNLV, and UNR have each been awarded over \$1 million to develop a bachelor's degree program and a behavioral health microcredential (certificate program). The funding also supports student scholarships for these programs. We are currently collaborating with NSHE, UNR, UNLV, the Ballmer Institute, and other stakeholders to plan and implement the programming. • SB 498 - Expansion of Nursing Program funding was passed during the last legislative session, which is an extension to SB 375 from the previous session. The continuation of nursing funding will allow GBC to continue to work towards nursing program expansion, while supporting nursing faculty salaries and staff. • We have moved the Cardio-Respiratory Care Program to a fall start, and accepted our 2nd cohort of nine students into the program this fall, with students in Elko, Winnemucca, and Reno at Renown Health.
Gail Rappa, Director of Continuing Education	
Continuing Education	<p>CDL and Driver Education</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The CDL-A is running its 6th cohort of 2025 and still maintaining a 100% pass rate. • We continue to offer the popular online Driver Education and are in the 7 of the 9 we have this year. • GBC-CE is hosting a Teen Driver Safety Fair on GBC Elko campus on

	<p>Thursday 9/25. GBC-CE and our event partners are excited to invite Elko High School and Battle Born Youth Challenge Academy students to participate. This event is designed to educate teens on safe driving practices through engaging, hands-on activities, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Slow-speed driving obstacle course with Drivers Edge ○ Driver safety training with Zero Teen Fatalities ○ Motorcycle safety awareness with Nevada Rider ○ Semi-truck safety demonstrations with GBC's CDL-A program <p>Art and Creativity</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● The new STEAM room in Elko Lund 111, hosted painting classes, costume camps, and a prop and armour workshop over the summer. The Arts and Letter Department was able to purchase four new singer sewing machines. The lab is now equipped with six sewing machines, a serger and all the required equipment needed to teach sewing classes. We have an 8-week Sewing Craft Series scheduled for October. ● We have our favorite wheel throwing and handbuilding ceramics classes on offer and will be bringing back date night wheel throwing for couples once a month. New this semester is Night Out Wheel Throwing for Individuals. ● Guest artist Roger Childs is returning to GBC on September 26-27 to offer: Lampworking Fundamentals Beginning Bead Making ● Ely is hosting <i>Design-Your-Own Fused Glass Plate</i> in September. <p>GBC Fitness Center Classes and Memberships</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Total Fitness Center Memberships are up 150% from Fall 2024, with 70 enrolled so far this semester, including GBC students, employees and community members. ● The new Fitness Center office is now in the main gym area, the old office space is being converted to a free weight room. New Fitness Center hours are from 7am-9pm Monday-Friday. ● At the request of a current faculty member GBC Emeritus faculty will now receive a free Fitness Center membership. . ● We have added two 8 week Rock Climbing classes: one for youth ages 14-17, one for 18 and older. ● Music & Movement with Toddlers returns in November. ● Winnemucca Campus is offering 5 separate yoga classes for Fall 2025.
Dr. Karl Stevens, Dean of Business, Computer Technologies, and Online Education	
Business and Computer Technologies Academic Departments, Online Education Support	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. 23 inmates graduated in May 2025 with certificates and associate degrees at the Lovelock Correctional Center, all in Business Administration. Approximately 80 inmates are enrolled this fall. Karl Stevens is serving as interim director of the LCC inmate education program until a new Winnemucca Center director is hired. 2. Karl Stevens and Christopher Salute visited the Nevada Southern Detention Center in Pahrump in August to meet the new warden and discuss possible training certificates for prison staff based on the Criminal Justice department's CJ Management courses. 3. School of Business & Computer technologies is preparing to propose the

	<p>following new programs</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> A 90-credit Bachelor of Science degree in Project Management as well as a Certificate of Achievement in the same discipline. Revision to the existing BAS in Management & Supervision to make it more attractive and marketable. A Certificate of Achievement in AI focusing on automation and other relevant areas. A Certificate of Achievement in Networking and Cybersecurity. <p>4. GBC Online is assisting the School of Industrial Technology and Workforce Development in transitioning to a hybrid program model for Instrumentation, Electrical, and Diesel Technology as mentioned in Item 3 below.</p>
Dr. David Stoddard, Dean of Industrial Technology and Workforce Development	
Career and Technical Education, Workforce Contract Training	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> GBC Pahrump Center Manufacturing Team Clash of the Trades Competition on YouTube Addition of 10,000 sq feet in Winnemucca on lease as our Industrial Tech Center Fall Program Expansions <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Industrial Maintenance/Millwright in Winnemucca (5 students) Diesel Technician in Winnemucca (8 students) Hybrid Electrical Technician in Winnemucca (6 students) Hybrid Instrumentation in Winnemucca (4 students) Hybrid Diesel in Elko (6 students) Upcoming program expansion <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Construction Trades (Ely Center) - January Automation Technology - Exploration - Fall 2026 Electrical Technology (Pahrump Center) - Fall 2026 GOED Grant for 2nd year of operations for GBC-NORCAT MST <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Addition of MSHA courses (underground, surface, and recertification) Addition of heavy equipment operations simulator - 2025/2026
Dr. Sarah Negrete, VPASA	
Academic and Student Affairs	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Enrollment <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 3604 Fall 25, an increase of nearly 3% YTD New Student Orientation <ol style="list-style-type: none"> ~150 students (plus guests) across all sites 98% of respondents were satisfied or very satisfied with the event Accreditation site visit <ol style="list-style-type: none"> October 22nd CRM Element451 <ol style="list-style-type: none"> In process for implementation in the spring New programs approved <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Skills Certificate Construction Technology in Ely AA in Secondary Education VPASA search

Leslie Maple, Executive Director of GBC Foundation and Communications	
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