**Mission Statement**

Lamar State College-Orange is an open-admission, lower-division state institution of higher education within the Texas State University System. Our mission is:

a. to provide academic transfer and associate degree programs to prepare students for senior colleges and universities;
b. to provide technical certificate and associate degree programs to prepare students for employment;
c. to provide developmental programs for students not ready for college-level work;
d. to provide continuing education and customized training programs for those pursuing areas of personal interest or upgrading employment skills; and
e. to provide community service activities that promote economic development and cultural awareness.

**Accreditation**

Lamar State College - Orange is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges to award the associate of arts, associate of science, associate of applied science degrees, and certificates of completion. Contact the Commission on Colleges at 1866 Southern Lane, Decatur, Georgia 30033-4097 or call 404-679-4500 for questions about the accreditation of Lamar State College – Orange. The College’s programs have the following accreditations:

- Texas Education Agency approval for Veteran Training
- Texas Board of Vocational Nurse Examiners and Texas Board of Nurse Examiners for Vocational Nursing and Upward Mobility Nursing programs
- American Society of Health-System Pharmacists for the Pharmacy Technician Training program
- National Accrediting Agency for Clinical Laboratory Sciences for the Medical Laboratory Technology program
- American Dental Association for the Dental Assisting program
- Texas Department of Health for the Emergency Medical Services program