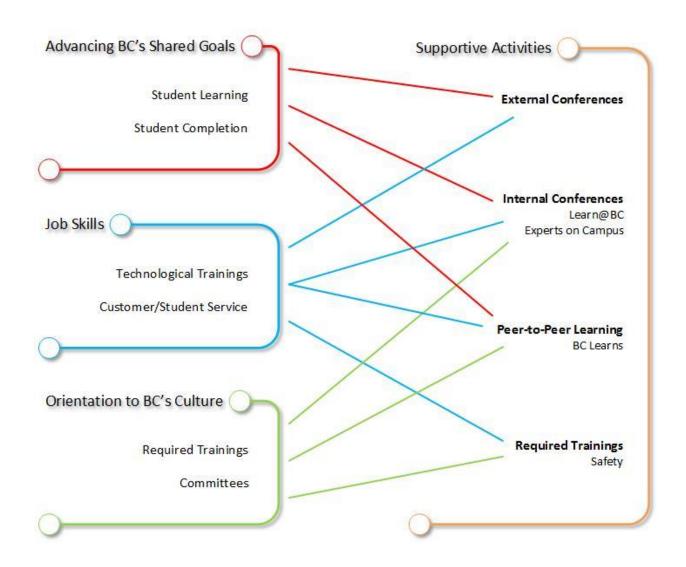
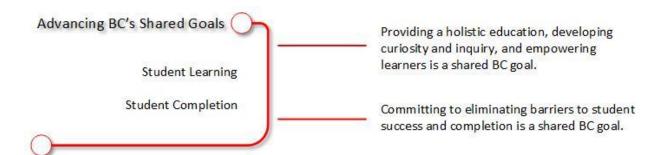
## Professional Development Organizational Framework

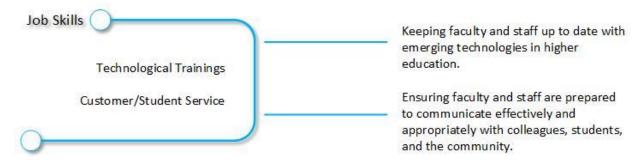




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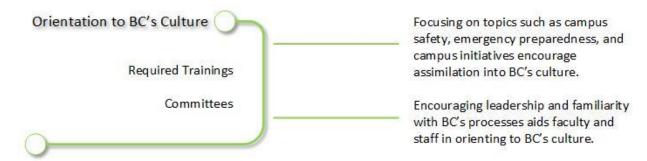


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Peer-to-peer learning is a means of introducing BC faculty and staff to one another, as well as to BC's processes and policies. Committees also function as peer-to-peer learning in the sense of the aforementioned introduction to BC's processes and policies. Peer-to-peer trainings also encourage leadership among BC faculty and staff in accordance with Strategic Directions Initiative 5.3, "Focus on leadership development in new faculty and new adjunct faculty...," with the addition of current faculty and staff, as well.

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