AsULearn-Global allows us to more effectively support the initiatives outlined in our current strategic plan by expanding AsULearn (our Appalachian community online learning space) into local, regional and international communities. Just a few of the requested use cases are outlined below.

**Creating the Transformational Educational Experience**
- Training 7 course cohorts of adult educators in 13 courses covering 11 counties and over 100 learners per year through Appalachian’s ABSPD program
- Promoting learning communities related to the academic integration of sustainability

**Advancing Knowledge and Addressing the Challenges of Our Region, State and World through Creativity and Innovation**
- Providing a learning space for the executive education program that includes individuals from regional businesses and organizations central to WCOB outreach, education, and recruiting goals
- Enabling cohorts of educators and community members from local public schools to boost engagement with Appalachian sponsored activities and programs

**Engaging the State, Region and World**
- Facilitating community service partnership projects with Blowing Rock organizations
- Building relationships for the entrepreneurship program that helps regional members of the community start businesses
- Engaging regional community members to participate in Appalachian activities

**Embracing Diversity of Thought, Belief and Community**
- Connecting and engaging global studies students in discussions with international cohorts across several disciplines

**Preserving Faculty and Staff Excellence**
- Allowing professional collaboration with scholars and colleagues outside the Appalachian community for coordinated research activities related to grants, conferences, and publications

**Building a Responsive Infrastructure for a Sustainable Campus**
- Supplying a consolidated learning space for global partnership projects with international universities

The implementation of AsULearn-Global ultimately contributes to the achievement of the QEP: Engage students in diverse experiences on campus and abroad to increase their knowledge of global issues, regions, and cultures; improve their intercultural skills; and, develop attitudes that cultivate global citizenship.