

Campus Master Plan

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The Master Plan Vision



▲ PROPOSED ILLUSTRATIVE PLAN

The Master Plan Vision: Academic Core





MASTER PLAN PRINCIPLES

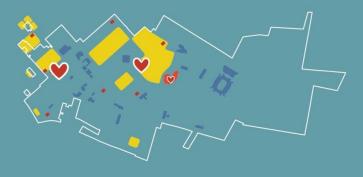
The following master plan principles establish the foundation and priorities for the development of the University of Kentucky campus and are intended to be applied in conjunction with the campus framework plan and campus district strategies. These principles were developed through consultation with the University community and with direction from the University's master planning committees. The principles link the physical development of the campus with the University's mission, and will assist in decision-making around campus improvements.



1. ACADEMIC ENVIRONMENT

CREATE A 21ST CENTURY LEARNING ENVIRONMENT THAT SUPPORTS THE TECHNOLOGICAL, SOCIAL, ECONOMIC, AND CREATIVE NEEDS OF TODAY'S STUDENTS.

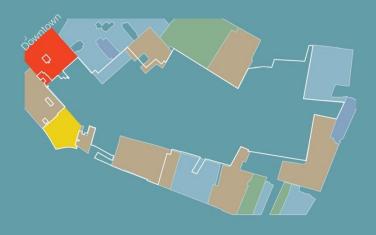
A dynamic academic environment includes flexible teaching and learning spaces, modern laboratories, and opportunities for informal learning outside the classroom and across the campus. The master plan facilitates opportunities to enhance the academic environment by concentrating academic activity within the campus core, connecting teaching and learning spaces, integrating academic and student life, and creating opportunities for learning in outdoor settings.



2. CAMPUS LIFE

ENHANCE THE STUDENT LIFE EXPERIENCE AND REINFORCE CAMPUS COMMUNITY IN STRONG RESIDENTIAL DISTRICTS, BOTH ON AND OFF CAMPUS.

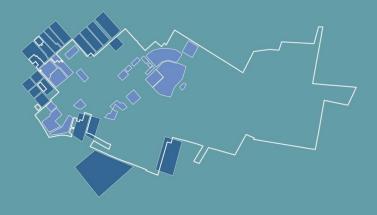
A strong campus life experience is key to student success. The master plan articulates strategies to enhance student life and create a dynamic living and learning environment.



3. COMMUNITY

FORGE PARTNERSHIPS TO STRENGTHEN THE NEIGHBORHOODS SURROUNDING THE CAMPUS AND DOWNTOWN.

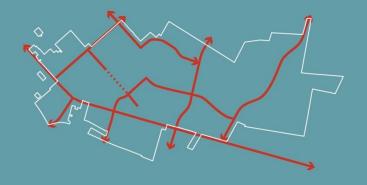
The University has an important impact on the neighborhoods that surround the campus, and plays a key economic and cultural role in the community. The University should continue to work with its neighborhood and Urban County Government partners to strengthen surrounding areas, contribute to the local economy, and incorporate community impact into decision-making. The master plan articulates planning policies and design strategies to further these initiatives.



4. GROWTH

ESTABLISH A LONG-TERM PLAN FOR GROWTH MANAGEMENT THAT IS CONSISTENT WITH THE UNIVERSITY'S MISSION, AND THAT EFFICIENTLY UTILIZES LAND RESOURCES.

The University campus must accommodate academic, research, health care, student life, sports and recreation, and administration and support functions within a defined land area. The University has also established a growth boundary to mitigate the impacts of campus development on surrounding neighborhoods. The master plan articulates strategies to accommodate current and future uses efficiently, while preserving the quality and character of the campus environment.



5. MOBILITY

FACILITATE SAFER AND MORE EFFICIENT
MOBILITY IN SUPPORT OF THE MASTER PLAN
LAND-USE AND LANDSCAPE CONCEPTS.

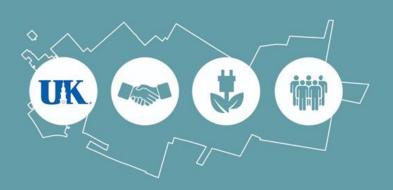
Mobility systems include pedestrian circulation, bicycle circulation, transit service, vehicular circulation, and parking. The master plan defines accessible, safe, efficient and attractive mobility systems for the campus, while preserving pedestrian priority in the campus core.



6. LANDSCAPE STRUCTURE

ESTABLISH A LEGIBLE OPEN SPACE AND LANDSCAPE STRUCTURE THAT IMPROVES CAMPUS QUALITY AND REINFORCES CAMPUS IDENTITY.

The University campus contains a range of open space elements and high-quality architecture but the existing landscape structure could be better defined. The master plan strengthens the landscape structure to create a more cohesive campus environment.



7. SUSTAINABILITY

INTEGRATE SUSTAINABILITY IN EVERY ASPECT OF PLANNING.

The University of Kentucky's Statement on Sustainability recognizes the critical need "to engage the University community to create policies and programs that will simultaneously advance economic vitality, ecological integrity and social equity, now and into the future." The master plan creates the opportunity to demonstrate leadership in this "triple bottom line", and will help to advance sustainable initiatives within several key areas—mission, energy, landscape, ecology, mobility, community and economic development.



Sustainability Strategies

UK Mission

Sustainable campuses express the mission of an institution. A goal of the University of Kentucky campus master plan is to plan and design campus spaces that embody and enhance the University's mission. To this end, the master plan focuses on the campus core to create a 21st century teaching and learning environment. It also concentrates undergraduate academic programs within the core and establishes several well-defined districts adjacent to the core to accommodate the University's leading edge research initiatives. The seamless integration of teaching, learning, and research environments facilitates opportunities for exceptional undergraduate and graduate education, and research that is recognized nationally.

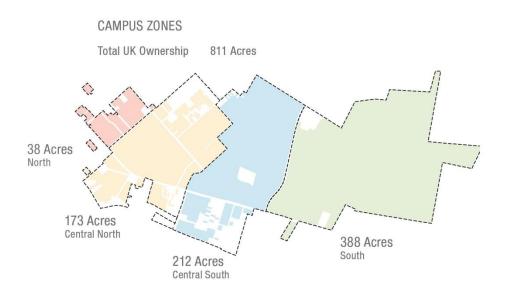




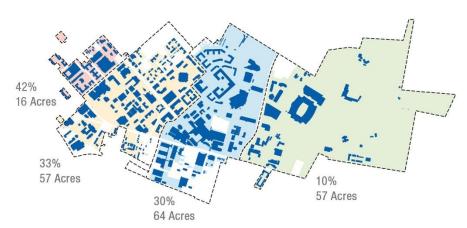




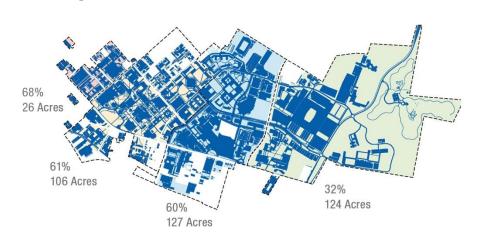
Sustainability Metrics



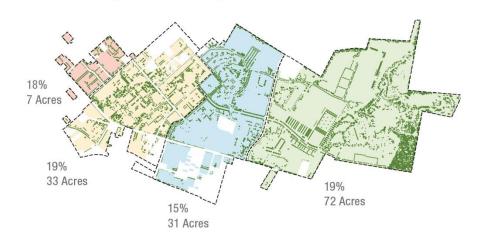
Building Coverage



Impervious Surfaces



Tree Cover





Context Map



Neighborhood Map



Planning Policies





1. BUFFER

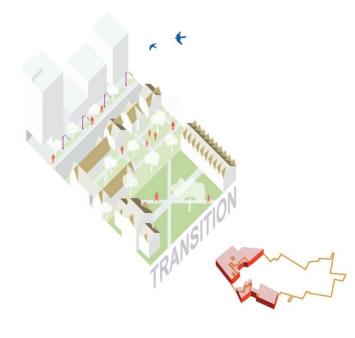
The University will implement measures to buffer strong single-family residential neighborhoods from campus impacts:

- Clearly define campus boundaries and acquisition zone expectations
- Create appropriate landscape buffers along neighborhood edges, such as trees, hedges, and shrubs
- Incorporate compatible adjacent uses, such as the existing Ronald McDonald House
- Site campus uses to minimize impacts on neighborhoods; consider function, noise, lighting, pedestrian movement, and vehicle traffic

2. STABILIZE

The University will work with neighborhood and Urban County Government partners to stabilize areas where student housing has affected community quality:

- Implement the on-campus housing plan, including Greek Park housing
- Consider strategic acquisition of off-campus housing for UK faculty and staff to restore balance
- Work with neighborhoods and Urban County Government to discourage further conversion to student housing
- Work with neighborhoods and Urban County Government on parking policies



3. CREATE TRANSITIONS

The University will work with neighborhood and Urban County Government partners to integrate downtown and campus development:

- To better connect the campus with downtown
 Lexington and integrate existing commercial areas,
 create transitions between the campus and adjacent
 neighborhoods with compatible land uses and urban
 design strategies
- Continue to work with neighborhoods and Urban County Government through strategies such as the December 2012 North Campus Planning Charrette (described in the North Campus District section of this report)
- Consider strategic investments and potential partnerships, e.g. connective corridors with downtown

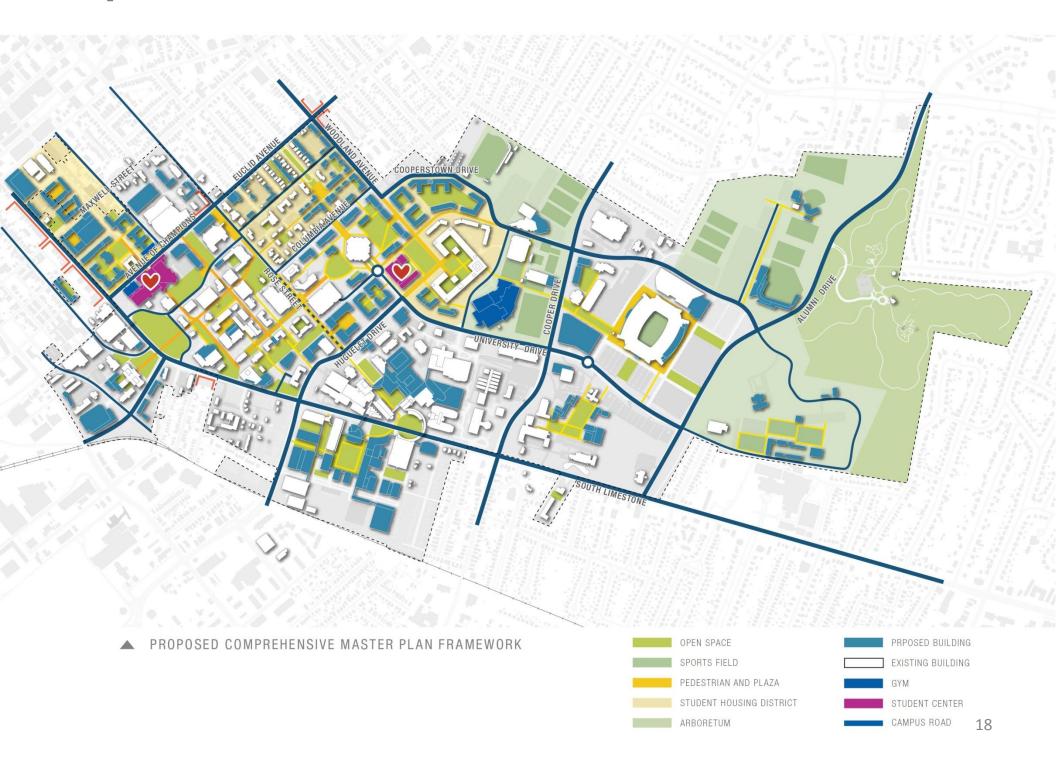
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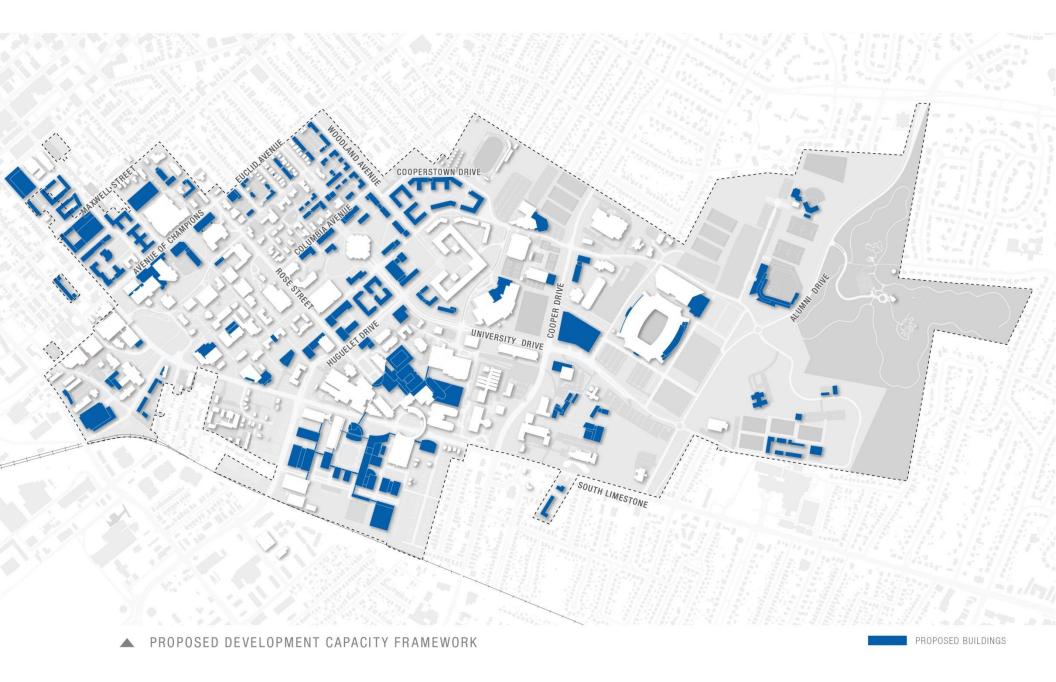
Proposed Illustrative Plan



Comprehensive Master Plan Framework



Development Capacity



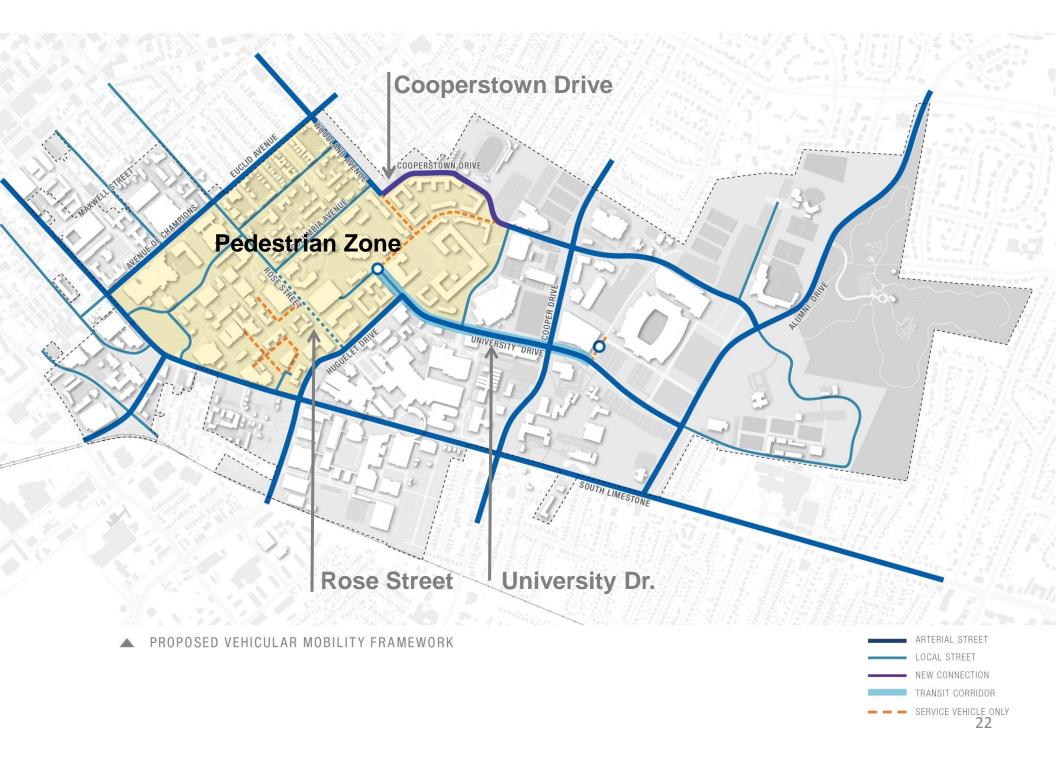
Proposed Land Use Framework



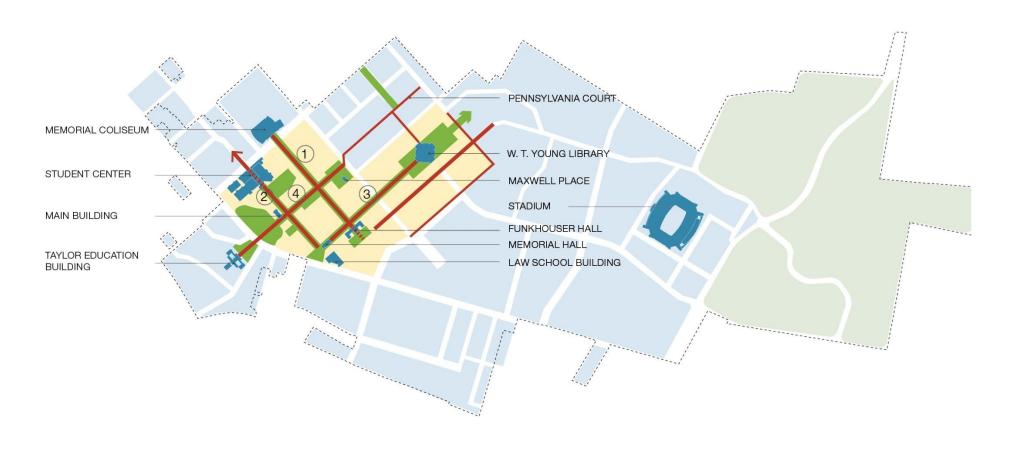
Proposed Open Space Framework



Proposed Mobility Framework



Proposed Pedestrian Corridors



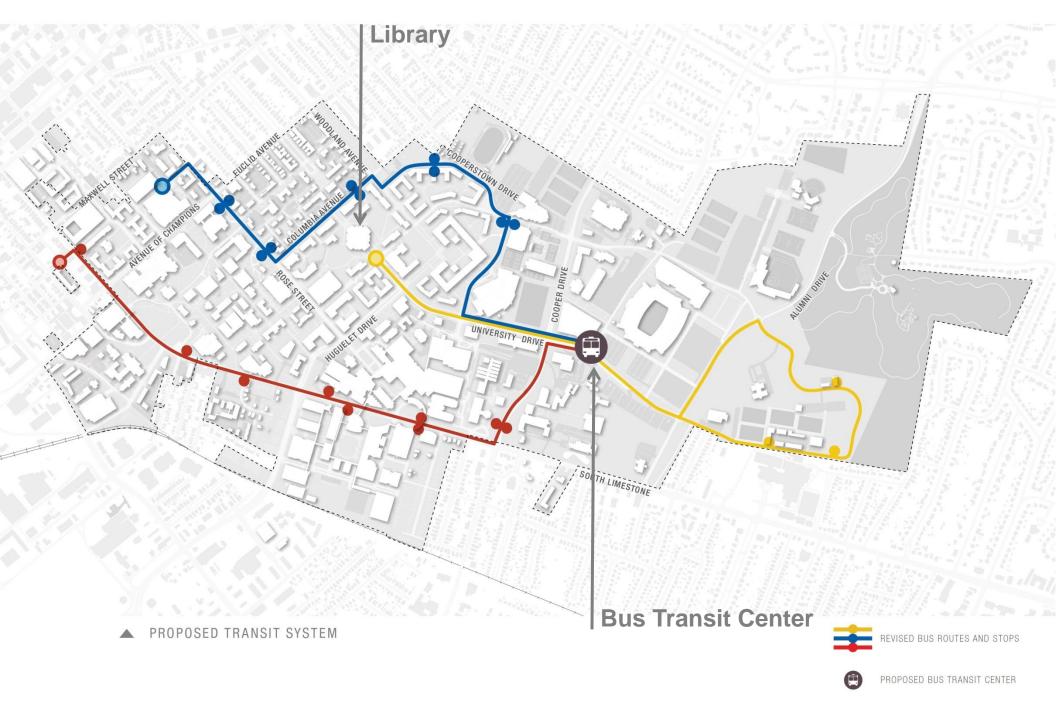
PEDESTRIAN CORRIDORS

- 1. Memorial Coliseum to Funkhouser
- 2. Law School to Student Center and MLK
- 3. Memorial Hall to WT Young Library
- 4. Taylor Education to Maxwell Place and Pennsylvania Court beyond

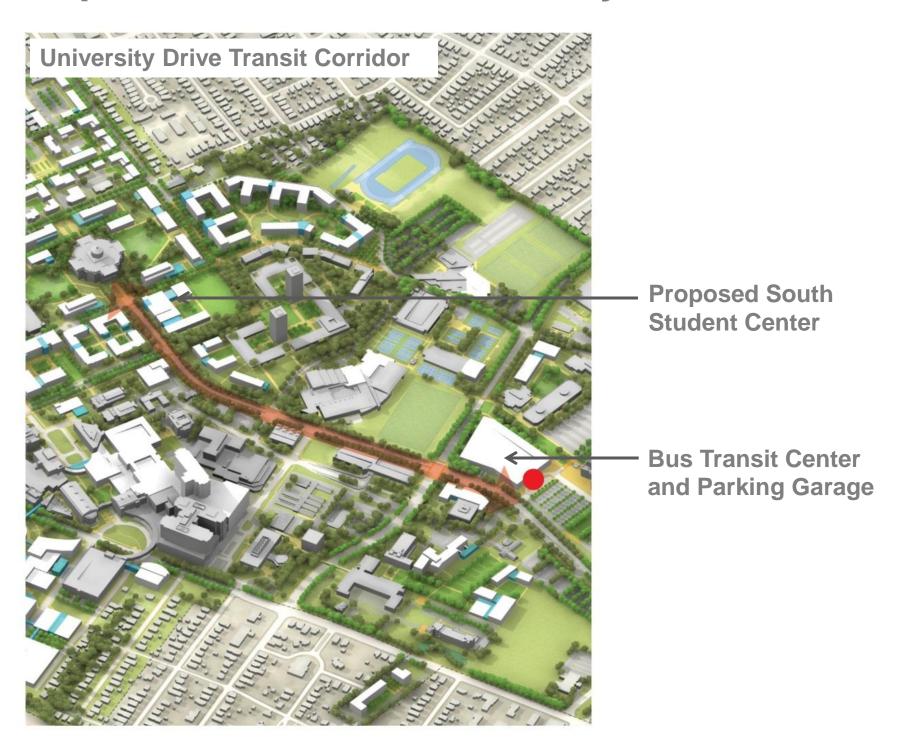
Proposed Bicycle Circulation



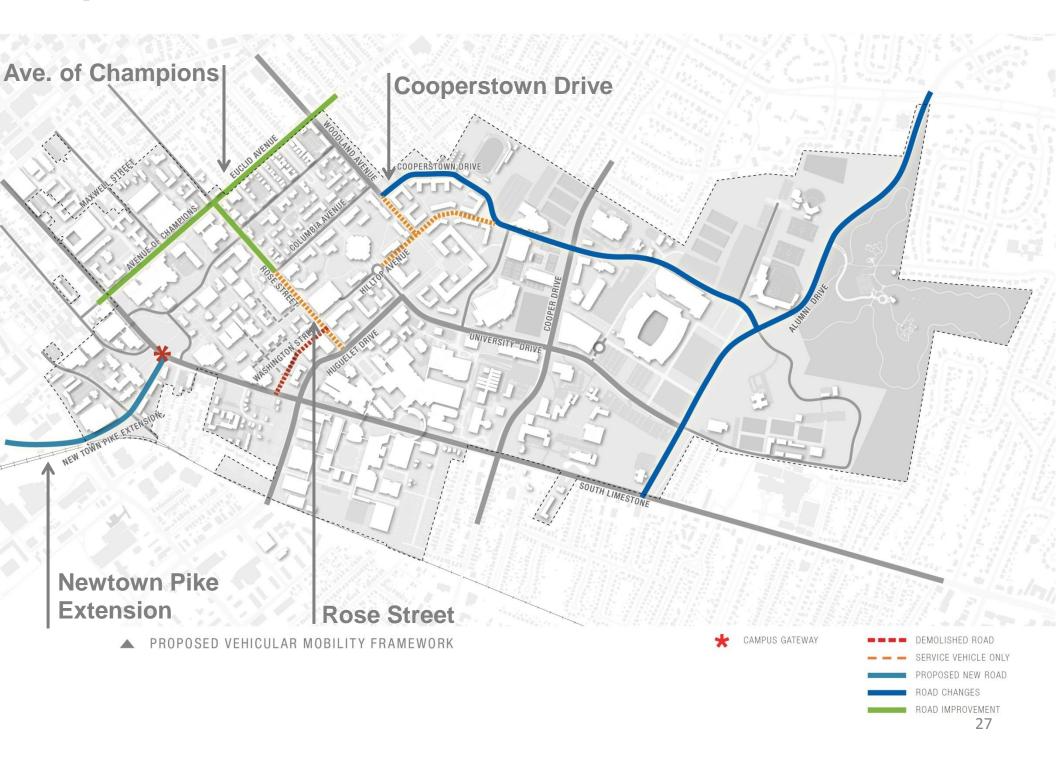
Proposed Bus Transit Circulation



Proposed Transit Connectivity



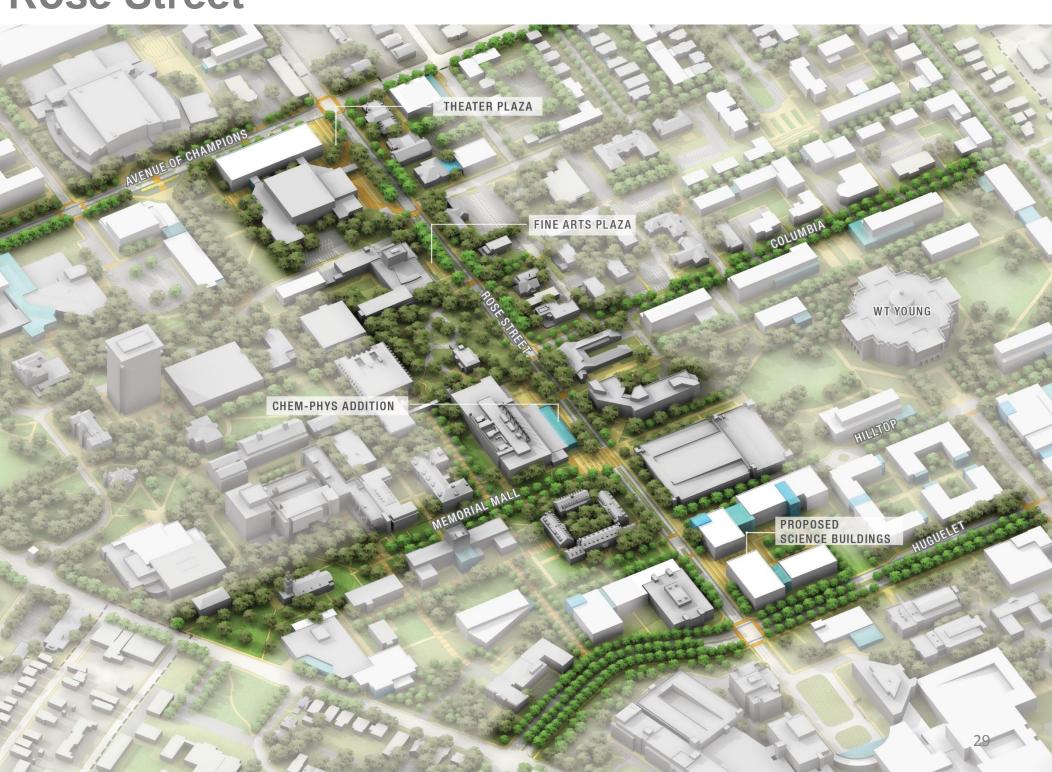
Proposed Vehicular Circulation



Avenue of Champions



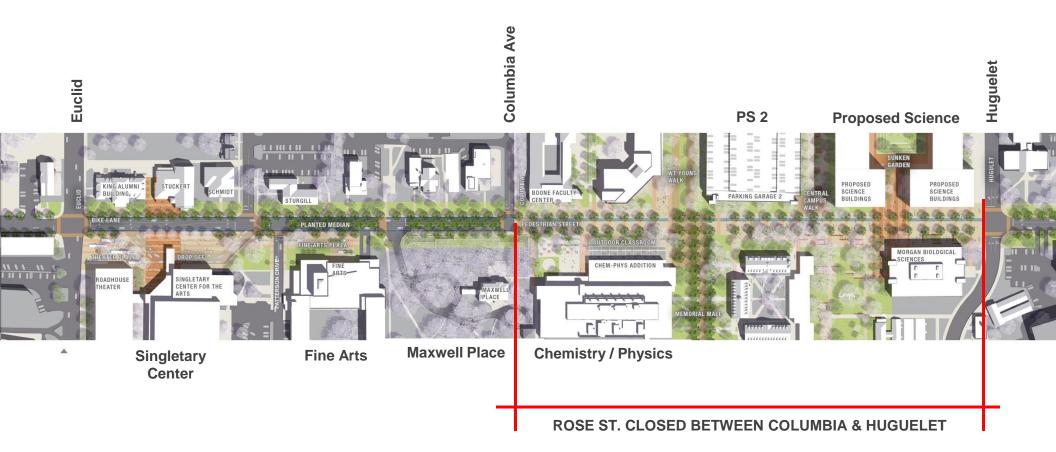
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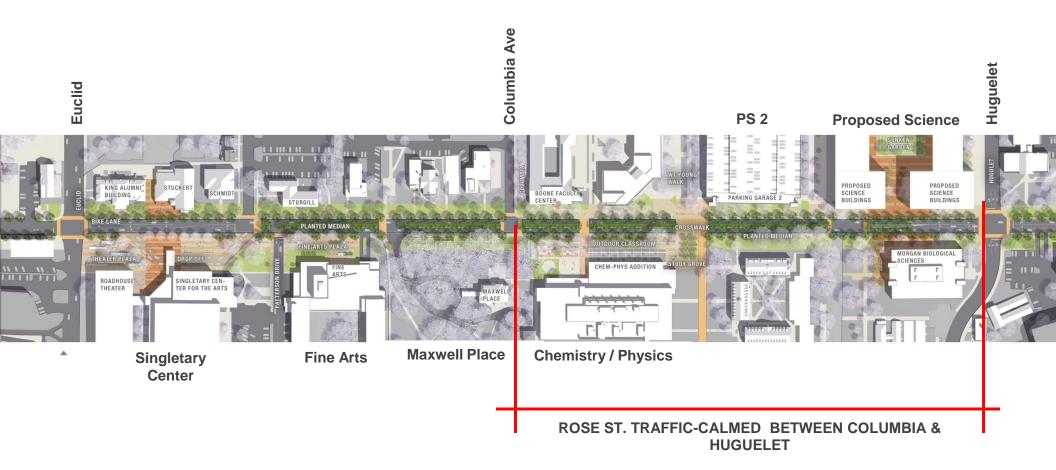
Rose Street



Rose Street – Option 1



Rose Street – Option 2



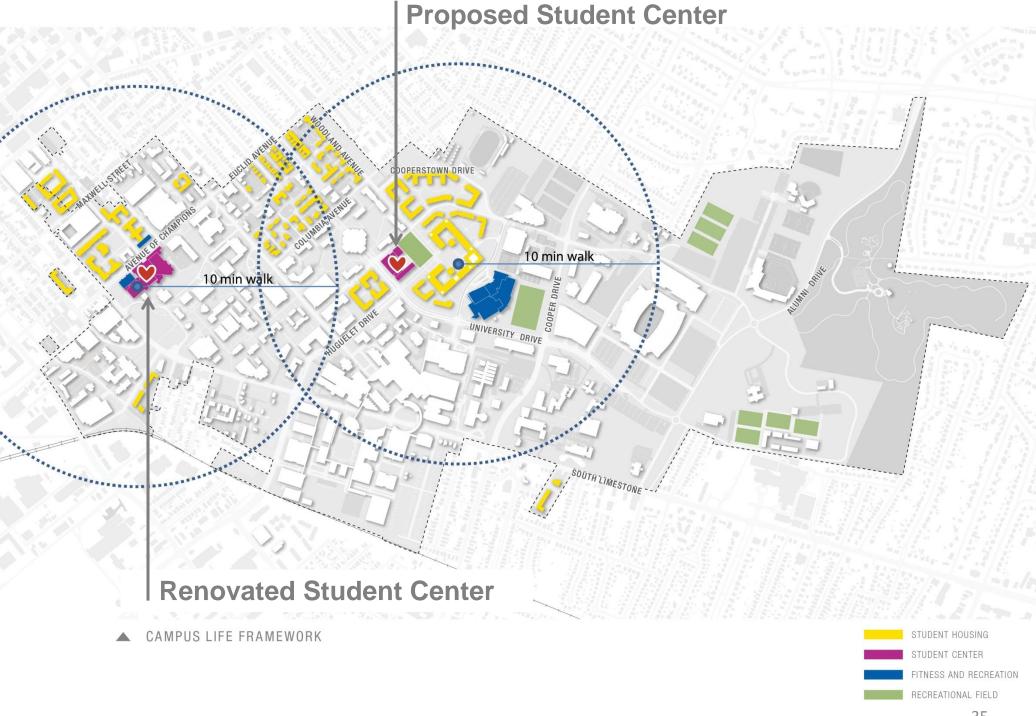
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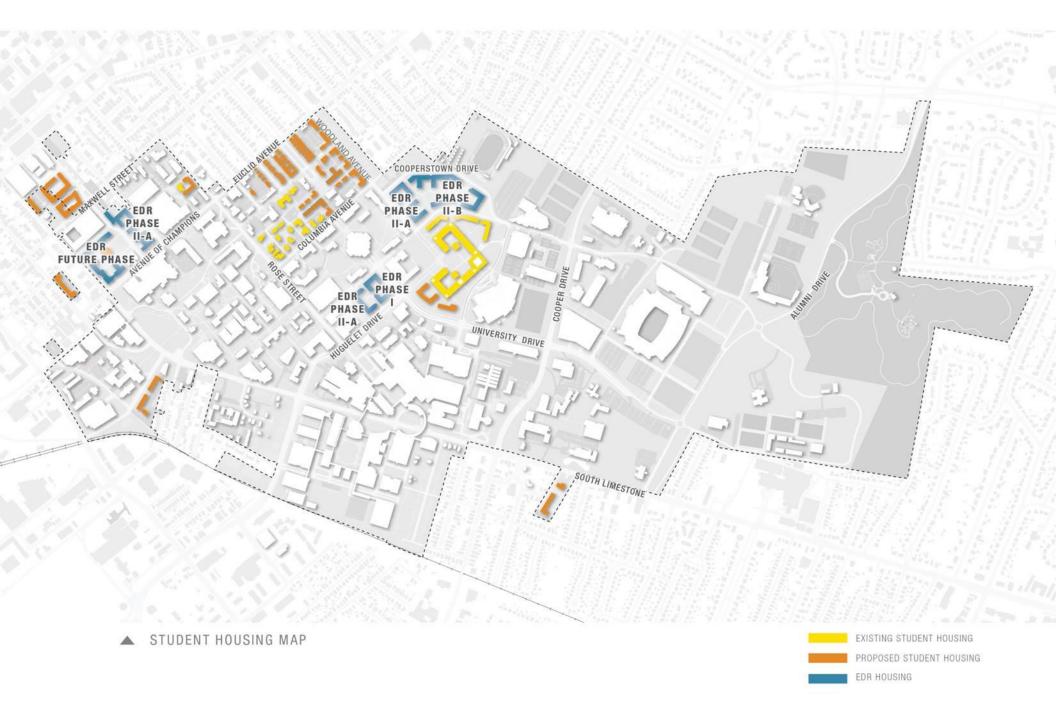
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Campus Life Framework



Student Housing





Campus Districts



The Academic Core



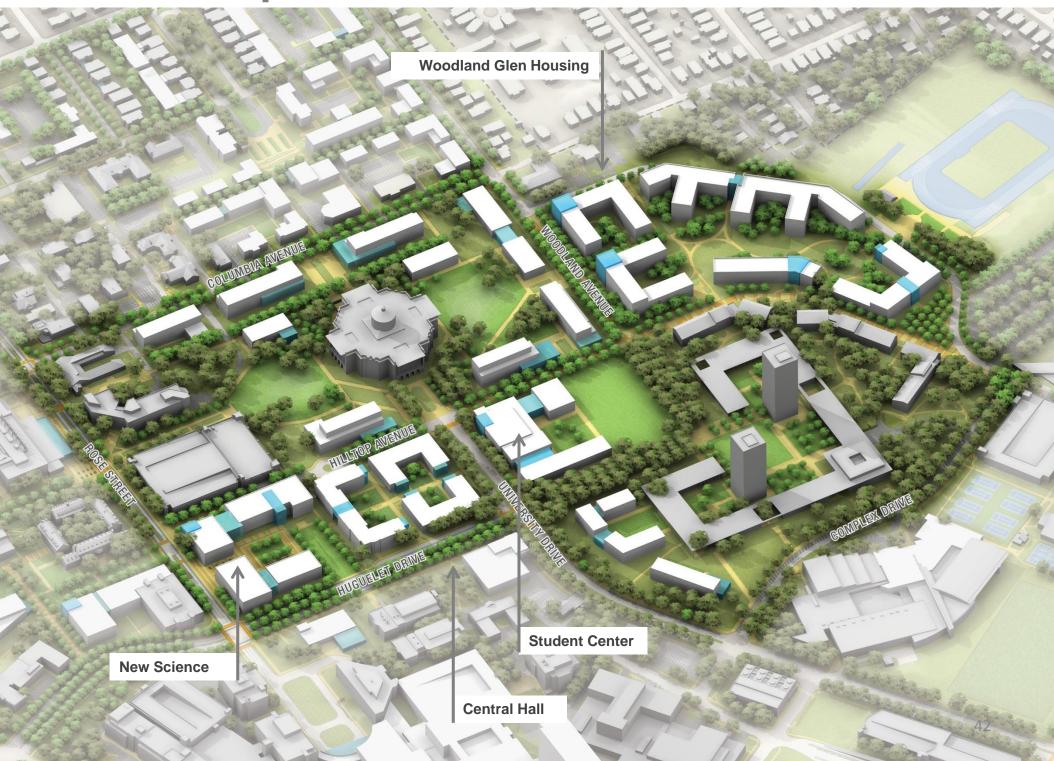
The North Campus



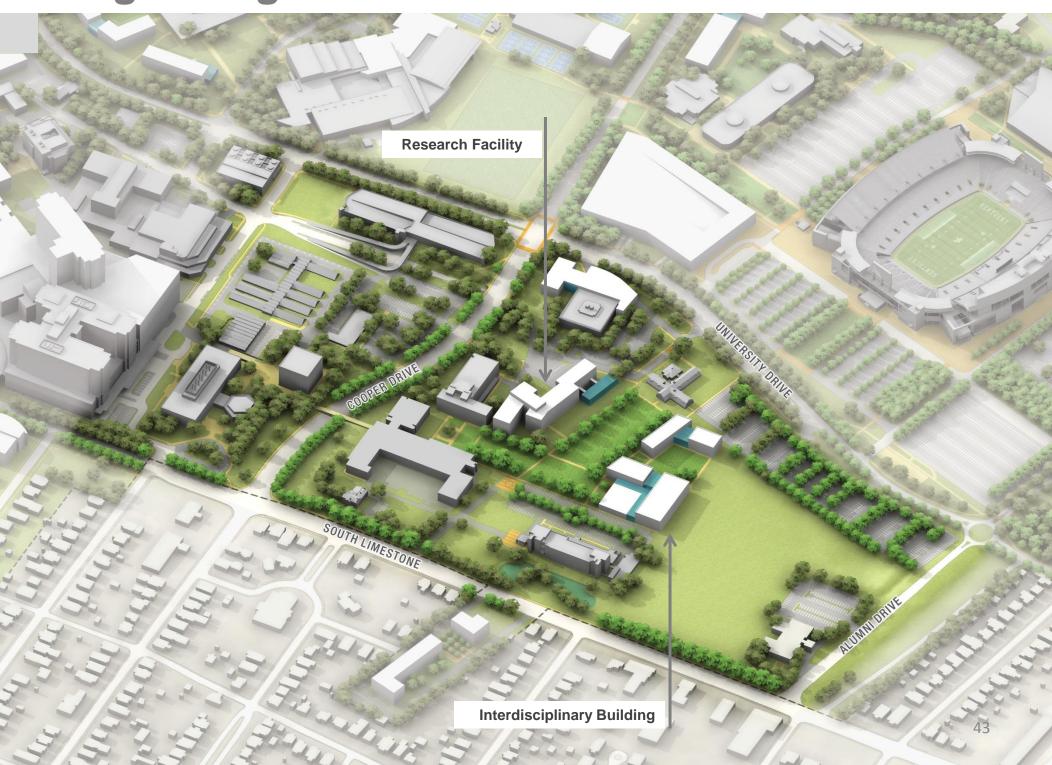
North Campus Connectivity



Central Campus

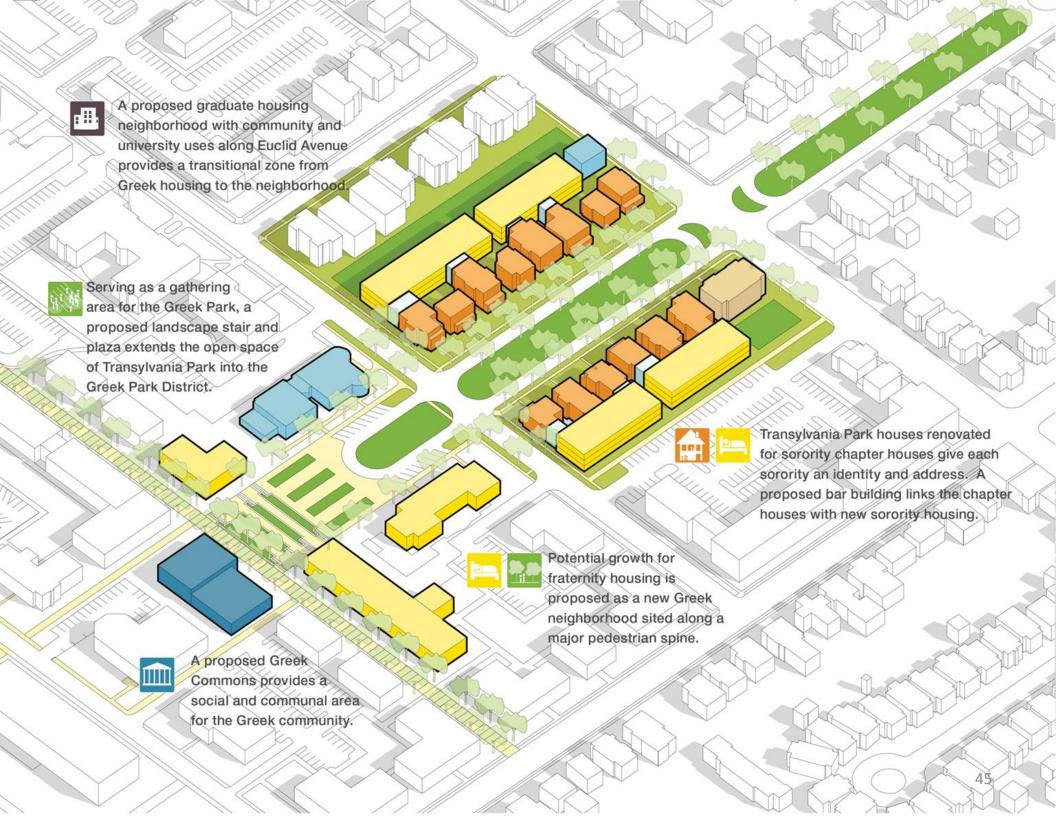


College of Agriculture District

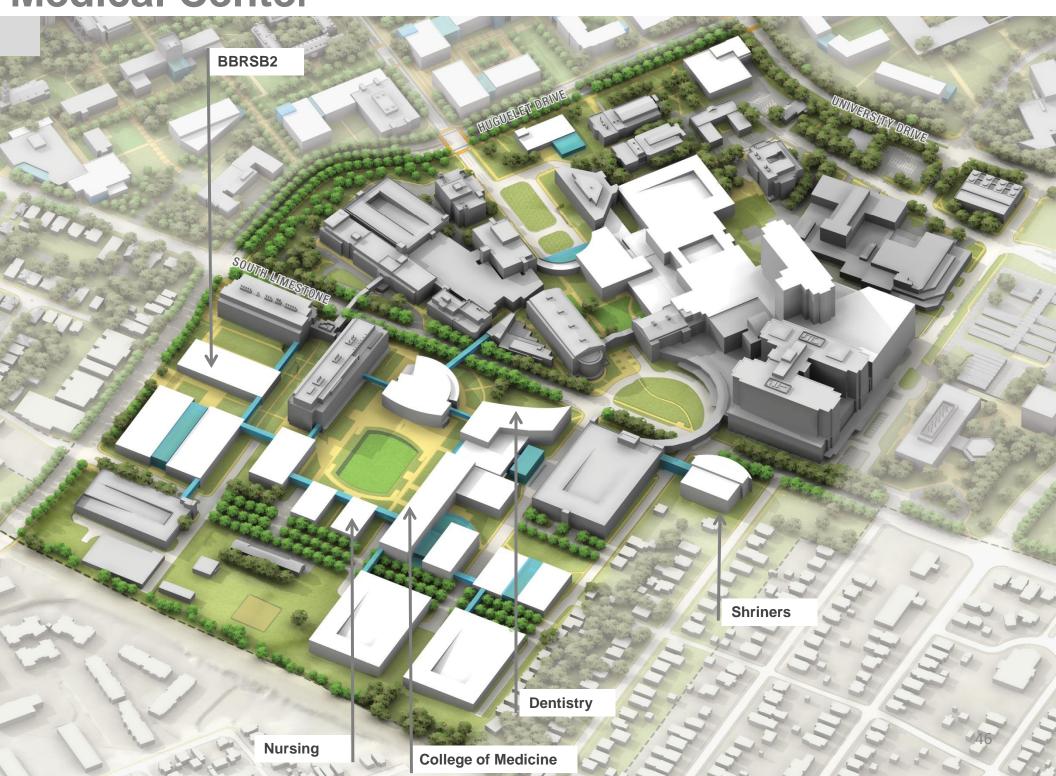


Greek Park

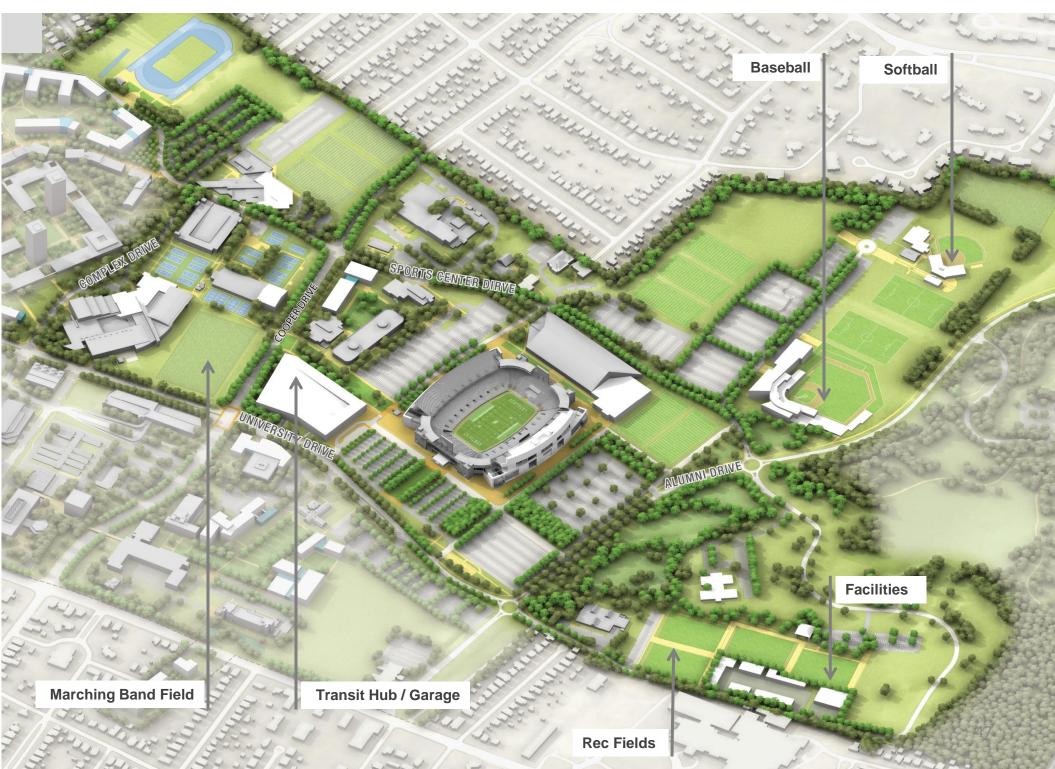




Medical Center



Athletic and Recreation District





Landscape Study



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