



Neither Rain, nor Snow, nor Arctic Cold ...

Precinct Meetings in Progress

Over 100 attend Precinct 2 Sessions. Precinct 1 (Academic Core) and 3 (Remote Campus) - set for April

Durham, March 25, 2003: The snowy winter may have caused a few schedule adjustments, but Ayers Saint Gross and the rest of the Campus Master Plan update team are proceeding on schedule. The full consultant team visited campus in December to kickoff the update of the Campus Master Plan process. A series of work sessions and meetings were well attended by members of the University and Town communities.

After cancellation of the Precinct 1 workshop due to the February storm, Precinct 2 workshops went on as planned in early March. Invited Representatives from over 10 university departments as well as townspeople participated in a precinct tour on a bitter cold day. The second day of the Precinct session featured open forums and presentations incorporating constituent needs and long-term growth issues.



Check the [Campus Master Plan](#) web page for meeting notes and presentation materials from this session and previous meetings and workshops.

Please Consider Participating in Upcoming Precinct Open Meetings:

Precinct 1 – Core Campus April 10th (*Constituent Invitees April 9th*)

Precinct 3 – Edge Camps April 28th (*Constituent Invitees April 27th*)

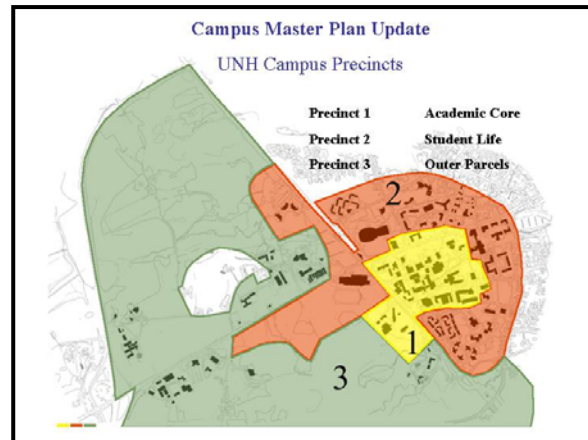
What Precinct Am I In?

The campus is divided into three precincts based on function and location ➡

Space Needs

The consultant team is taking a fresh look at academic, student life, and administrative space needs.

Immediately after the December Kick-Off meetings we began a campus-wide interview process to assess space needs and opportunities. After completing 45 interviews we have the input of key constituents and are evaluating needs and capacity. We also have the basis for a review of the College of Liberal Arts – the one college that the University had not studied in detail since the 1994 Master Plan.



Land Use

Academic – a focus in upcoming Precinct One meetings – looking at space needs and building sites within the academic core. Our overall goal is to maintain and expand our compact campus without losing the valuable interstitial spaces.

Student Life / Housing / Town Gown – a focus in recently completed Precinct Two meetings – looked at the developed land around our academic core and the edges shared with the Town of Durham as well as immediate undeveloped lands. Work sessions and forums identified need to provide for more housing (undergraduate, family and greek) on University property as well as recreational facilities, and other shared concerns with the Town.



Land Use (continued)

Open Land – a focus in upcoming Precinct Three meetings – looking at open lands west of the railroad tracks, as well as outlying properties found in Durham, Lee, and Madbury. We have been working with a standing UNH committee, (the Land Use Committee), to build on existing documentation regarding these very valuable properties. Our consultants have been quick to comment on these treasures close to our campus core – an uncommon resource when compared to peer institutions.

Transportation

Howard Stein Hudson, part of the Master Plan team has visited campus several times collecting information and keeping up to date on the work of the Transportation Policy Committee and the implementation schedule for the many new transportation projects in the next few years. They are confirming and reevaluating our efforts and making recommendations for current and long-term traffic capacity and transportation needs (including transit and infrastructure).



Landscape



Consultant Saucier and Flynn is moving forward on this component of the plan which includes development of a Landscape Master Plan featuring design guidelines, plant species inventories and appropriate sustainable landscape principles and practices.

What's Next?:

After the Precinct meetings conclude, The Consultants will be back at UNH in mid May with a preliminary concept draft synthesizing all of the input and findings. Public presentation and discussion meetings are scheduled for May 7-8.



The Summer will be a time of further refinement of the drafts with new presentations to the Master Plan Committees and University Community in early Fall

The Master Plan Update process will conclude in late 2003

Ongoing:

You can find out lots more about the process as well as find copies of ongoing reports, analyses – and view presentations from Precinct and Committee meetings on the project website www.unh.edu/cmp.

Your comments on the process – as well as ideas about UNH campus development and planning are always welcome via the [Comment link](#):

The update of the Comprehensive Campus Master Plan is guided by the Office of Campus Planning – Douglas Bencks, Director; David Clark, Space Manager; and Stephen Pesci, Special Projects Manager.

You have subscribed to the Campus Master Plan Newsletter which will be issued approximately every two months until the end of the project.