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Project Schedule

**Process Design**
- Campus Visit - Contract Negotiation, Project Initiation

**Data Collection**
- Campus Visit - Kick-off Meetings, Stakeholder & Space Needs Meetings, Campus Tours, Open Forum
- Campus Visit - Data Collection & Space Needs Meetings, Meet w/ Community Groups & Focus Groups
- Campus Visit - Present Data Collection Summary, Present Space Needs Assessment [Team Charrette]

**Analysis & Options**
- Campus Visit - Confirm Initial Analysis and Options
- GoToMeeting Presentation - Present Development of Initial Land Use Concepts and Options
- Campus Visit - Present and Evaluate Conceptual Options and Sub-options

**Concept Refinement**
- Campus Visit - Present Preferred Option, Meetings for Input from Stakeholders
- Campus Visit - Present Refinement of Preferred Option, Conduct Open Forums

**Integration & Documentation**
- Campus Visit - Present Integrated Preferred Concept and Master Plan Document Components
- GoToMeeting Presentation - Present Draft of Master Plan Recommendations

**Publication & Presentation**
- Campus Visit - Present Final Master Plan Document for Approval/Endorsement
discovery process

OVER 45 MEETINGS

Students
Faculty
Facilities
Residence Life
Focus groups
Open forum in Foster Hall
On-line feedback

+ listen, listen, listen ...
DRAFT Themes, goals, and objectives of the master plan

Support the Building a Better World Strategic Plan by enabling the University’s physical resources to achieve the goals of the Plan.

» **CONNECTION:**
  - Create a walk-able, highly connected, and vibrant campus that fosters a sense of safety and security.

» **RENOVATION:**
  - Maximize the value and usefulness of the existing campus infrastructure while accommodating growth.

» **UTILIZATION:**
  - Plan for the long range highest and best use of the University’s land and building assets.

» **ORGANIZATION:**
  - Plan sustainable transportation and infrastructure systems to anticipate growth rather than react to demand.
  - Relocate and consolidate existing space to maximize efficiency and synergy.

» **QUALITY:**
  - Preserve the heritage of VSU and celebrate the campus as a place.
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Long Term Land Use Plan
Campus Circulation and Regional Connections

Campus Streets

- Primary vehicle circulation around perimeter of campus core
- Streets shared with bicycles
  - Low vehicle volumes and low posted speeds accommodate bicycles adequately
  - Shared-use pavement markings, or “sharrows” may be used.
current and future parking

PROPOSED LOT LOCATIONS
• LOSS OF 380 SPACES IN CORE OF CAMPUS AND NEAR ATHLETICS

• PARKING GAIN:
  • 330 shared Multipurpose Center spaces
  • 190 new MLK Drive lot
  • 115 net structured over former rail R/W (long-term)
CONCEPTUAL LANDSCAPE MASTER PLAN

OVERALL PLAN

Legend:
1) Main Lawn
2) Greek Walk
3) Lake Promenade
4) Amphitheater
5) Marching Band Field
6) Campus Loop Road
7) Connection to Amtrak Station
data collection summary

1 GENERAL INPUT FROM STUDENTS, FACULTY AND STAFF

» Appreciation for the existing landscaping and foliage
» Desire for overall campus landscaping improvement
» Lack of outdoor gathering spaces
» Lack of outdoor seating areas
» Lack of a focal point for the campus
» Lack of a campus-wide landscape strategy
» Gazebos and seat walls are very well used
» Foster Hall is the main gathering space; students also hang out at the Library and Residence Halls
» Need for recreation and leisure space
» South Entrance vs. North Entrance
CONCEPTUAL LANDSCAPE MASTER PLAN

MAIN LAWN ENLARGEMENT

Legend:

1) Main Lawn (Intramural Field)
2) Grass Steps
3) Greek Walk
4) Foster Hall Lower Plaza
5) Intramural Field
6) Outdoor Seating/Study area
7) Berms
8) Promenade to Multi-Purpose Building
CONCEPTUAL LANDSCAPE MASTER PLAN

MAIN LAWN CHARACTER IMAGERY
CONCEPTUAL LANDSCAPE MASTER PLAN

LAKE PROMENADE ENLARGEMENT

Legend:
1) Multi-Purpose Plaza
2) Proposed Plaza Extension
3) Proposed Lake Promenade
4) Planting Buffer
5) Loop Road
6) Promenade to Main Lawn
Pedestrian-oriented core campus
Maximizing infrastructure investment

- Consider for Demolition
- To Be Demolished
Enlarged Draft Accommodation Plan

- Welcome Center
- One-Stop Shop w/ student success center
- Iconic Campus Core
- Potential Parking
- Band Practice Field
- Academic Swing Space
- Information Commons
- Academic Success Space?

- New Student Union
- Addition
- New Academic Building
- Welcome Center/Admissions
- Police Station
- Alumni Center
- Renovation
- Long Term Academic Buildings

Police Station

Rec. Field
Student Union – recommended site
Student Union – recommended site
CREATING AN ICONIC PLACE ON CAMPUS

Legend:
1) Iconic Open Space
2) Grass Steps
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Student Services - Existing

» 20,000 ASF +/-
One-Stop Shop

CONSOLIDATING STUDENT SERVICES IN THE CAMPUS CORE

» Existing Space:
  - Financial Aid, Gandy Hall
    • 2,795 ASF
  - Registrar, Gandy Hall
    • 2,482 ASF
  - Student Accts., Virginia Hall
    • 1,550 ASF
  - Cashier’s Office, Virginia Hall
    • 843 ASF
  - 1 Card Office, Virginia Hall
  - Student Help Desk, Harris Hall

» Counseling Services, Memorial Hall
  • 543 ASF

» Career Services, Foster and Hunter McDaniel Halls
  • 513 ASF

» Student Activities, Foster Hall
  • 582 ASF

» Residence Life, Foster Hall
  • 1,010 ASF

» University College
  • 8,700 ASF
Foster Hall, “The Heart of VSU”

ONE-STOP SHOP IN RENOVATED FOSTER HALL
Maximizing existing infrastructure

JOHNSTON MEMORIAL LIBRARY

» The way students use the library is changing
» Greater emphasis on technology and online resources
» Spaces must be flexible for a variety of uses
Creating a Pedestrian Space
Maximizing existing infrastructure

HARRIS HALL, TAKING PROBLEM BUILDINGS OFFLINE

» FCI (Facility Condition Index) rating of 14.08%, VERY POOR
» Asbestos used in building materials, renovation is costly and dangerous
» Does not meet code compliance for corridor clearances, egress pathways/ramps and egress door hardware, and accessibility requirements in general
» Exterior terrace requires complete renovation due to uneven settling
» Materials and construction are not energy efficient, minimal insulation and no thermal breaks at first generation windows
utilization and reshuffling the deck

HARRIS HALL, EXISTING PROGRAM

» College of Education
  ▪ Registrar: 1,137 ASF
  ▪ Education: 13,615 ASF

» College of Humanities and Social Sciences
  ▪ Economics: 495 ASF
  ▪ Mass Communications: 2,321 ASF
  ▪ Writing Center: 3,208 ASF
  ▪ College of Humanities and S.S. General: 28,726 ASF

» The Utilization and Space Needs Analysis conducted by the planning team highlighted poor utilization of existing classroom space

» Central scheduling would greatly increase efficiency and make Harris Hall classrooms unnecessary with current enrollment
Maximizing existing infrastructure

ALTERNATIVES TO HARRIS HALL

» In the long term, Harris Hall could be replaced by new construction
  ▪ Option A: Existing site, aligning with Fountain of Knowledge axis
  ▪ Option B: Centrally located in the academic core

» Empty residence halls such as Seward and Williams could be used as swing space in the mean time
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