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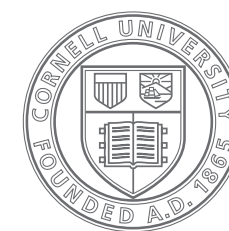
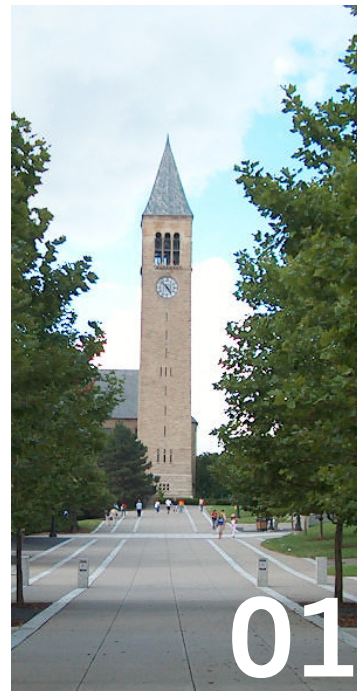


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1 Introduction

Taking a comprehensive and holistic view of the Ithaca campus, Part I of the campus master plan provides general direction for campus development. It describes the broad vision, principles and essential features that should guide all significant physical changes to the campus. It establishes objectives for the physical and functional structure of campus and proposes strategies and initiatives with respect to land use, landscapes, transportation and utilities. Finally, it recommends a set of actions that will be critical to successful implementation of the plan. Users of Part II of the plan should be familiar with Part I and should be prepared to refer to it as they read this document.

Role and purpose of Part II

Part II of the campus master plan builds on Part I, providing more specific direction for the places and precincts that make up the campus. There are two main components to Part II:

Landscape Design Guidelines – This section expands on the Campus Landscape chapter in section 4 of Part I. It repeats the descriptions of the Primary Open Space Network and Key Landscape Initiatives before setting out guidelines for each component of the network and each initiative. The guidelines are general in nature, intended to outline parameters and directions for detailed master plans and designs for each of the initiatives.

Precinct Plans – This section zooms into each of the eight precincts and then into the twenty-three zones within these precincts. It reiterates the vision and objectives for each precinct and zone as a prelude to general and specific guidelines regarding built form, open space, infrastructure, servicing and parking.

An important role of the precinct plans is to help coordinate building development with other initiatives identified in Part I of the campus master plan, many of them University Projects and most of them constituting an Enabling or Concurrent Project. To that end, the precinct plans make frequent reference to projects described in Part I and in the Landscape Design Guidelines. Parcel matrices establish the development capacity for each site and appropriate uses,

and identify Enabling and Concurrent Projects. The precinct plans will be an essential tool for those involved in project planning and design, but they also can be used by anyone seeking more information than is provided in Part I about the vision and objectives for each precinct. For more information on University, Enabling and Concurrent Projects, see section 5 in Part I of the campus master plan.

Part II of the plan uses rendered drawings that conceptually depict the long-term vision of campus, with white buildings in the aerial views representing new development. These are illustrations and are not intended to prescribe how future landscapes and buildings should be designed.

The Vision Plan

- 1 Arts Quad
- 2 Ag Quad
- 3 Kite Hill
- 4 Hasbrouck Community
- 5 Cornell Plantations
- 6 Orchards
- 7 Palm Road Complex
- 8 Maplewood Park Community
- 9 Collegetown
- 10 Downtown
- 11 Founders' Greenway
- 12 Alumni Quad
- 13 East Center
- 14 Judd Falls Greenway
- 15 Game Farm Road Complex
- 16 Ellis Hollow Athletics Complex*
- 17 Cornell Park
- 18 East Hill Village
- 19 Pine Tree Road Athletics Complex*

*The athletic complexes shown in South Campus include alternative locations for outdoor facilities.



