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WHAT WE HEARD YOU SAY: ITC

Many school visitors
Culturally important institution, but

Hard to find
Lack of adequate context
Exhibits are out-of-date

Plans for interior and exterior renovation
Cooperative relationship with city for area master plan
UTSA DOWNTOWN CAMPUS
Great enthusiasm for Downtown Campus, but

Not enough academic space
Not enough study/hang-out space
No housing
Not enough recreation space
Not enough student center space
No surrounding urban context
Not enough connection to downtown
Problem going back and forth to Main Campus
WHAT WE HEARD YOU SAY: Main Campus

Not enough academic space
Not enough study/hang-out space
Needs a more traditional campus feel
Parking is a problem
Lack of “college town” and on-campus amenities
Not enough green space
Campus is invisible (no legible entrance)
Confusing circulation
On-campus housing is too expensive (not competitive)
Bad dining experience
COMMON GOALS

- Accommodate more academic space
- Define campus open space through architecture and landscape
- Provide a substantive structure for and a variety of open spaces
- Provide for more on-campus amenities
  - Improve circulation and clarify campus entrances
    - Improve campus wayfinding
  - Enhance the identity of the individual campuses and the shared identity between them
- Enhance transit and communication capabilities between campuses
- Promote relationships with the surrounding context
  - Implement a planning component and process
DESIGN TEAM ASSESSMENT

CAMPUS DEVELOPMENT
Zocalo – Mexico City
SOMBRILLA PLAZA, UTSA

- Internal lower level
- Service truck facilities
- Also Pedestrian
- Also Mechanical

- Parking in the areas
- PASCO

- Building Area (not agreed)
- For 15,000 Students
- 2.6 Acres

- Student Areas
  - Big Plaza - 440 x 390 - native live oaks
  - Court Garden - big trees - oak trees there too
  - Fawcett - small room (shop - study - shop - camp)
  - Galleries - full 3 stories - glass roofs
  - Indoor - study - living - living
  - Big outdoor areas - 30' deep - for 5,000 students
  - Venuc King - unlimited - 2 stories - etc.
DESIGN TEAM ASSESSMENT

GROWTH MANAGEMENT
UTSA – UT AUSTIN COMPARISON
LANDSCAPE - OPEN SPACE

Quadrangles

Courts

Streets & Walks
QUADRANGLES

UVA Lawn
200' x 630'

Harvard Yard
240' x 650'

UNC Polk Place
270' x 780'

Cornell Arts Quad
400' x 1,020'

UTSA Sombrilla Plaza
350' x 400'
COURTS
GOALS: Main Campus

- Implement a long-term strategy to accommodate more academic and research space
- Ensure that new buildings and landscape create, define, and improve the outdoor public spaces of the campus
  - Implement a long-term parking strategy
    - Establish a “Collegetown”
- Conserve existing natural green space (Green Reserve)
  - Clarify campus entrances
  - Rationalize campus circulation
    - Expand on-campus housing
    - Expand on-campus amenities
DESIGN TEAM ASSESSMENT

CAMPUS ENVIRONMENT

Organizational Ideas

1. Grid
2. Blocks and Streets
3. Quadrangles
4. Parks
5. Civic Structure
Existing 2008 Bldg Area 3,694,514 gsf

Existing
Phase 1

Existing 2008 Bldg Area 3,694,514 gsf
Proposed Bldg Area 842,560 gsf
Total: 4,537,074 gsf
Phase 2

Existing 2008 Bldg Area 3,684,329 gsf
Phase 1 Bldg Area 842,560 gsf
Proposed Bldg Area 1,258,464 gsf
Total: 5,785,353 gsf
Phase 3

Existing 2008 Bldg Area 3,663,560 gsf
Phase 1&2 Bldg Area 2,101,024 gsf
Proposed Bldg Area 1,672,876 gsf
Total: 7,437,460 gsf

Phase 3
Existing 2008 Bldg Area 3,179,610 gsf
Phase 1, 2, & 3 Bldg Area 3,773,900 gsf
Proposed Bldg Area 2,906,917 gsf
Total: 9,860,427 gsf
Retail 1,002,648 gsf
Total: 10,863,075 gsf
Long Range Plan of Main Campus
Phase 4

Long Range Plan Plan
GOALS: Downtown

- Continue to refine the role of the Downtown Campus for UTSA
- Act strategically and opportunistically with regard to land acquisition
- Prioritize acquisition of the City of San Antonio Service Facility south of the Monterey Block
- Strengthen and extend the existing civic structure across Frio Street to the Monterey Block
- Continue to develop buildings and other features that support civic space
- Utilize architecture and landscape to reinforce the campus identity
- Develop a strategy to encourage housing and mixed use development in the Downtown Campus area
- Expand on-campus amenities
- Enhance transit and communications capabilities between Downtown Campus and the Main Campus
Existing Open Space Structure
Proposed Open Space Structure
Existing Downtown Campus

Existing 2008 Bldg Area  516,991 gsf
Phase 1 Downtown Campus

Existing 2008 Bldg Area  516,991 gsf
Proposed Bldg Area      86,674 gsf
Total:                   603,665 gsf
Phase 2 Downtown Campus

Existing 2008 Bldg Area: 486,698 gsf
Phase 1 Bldg Area: 86,674 gsf
Proposed Bldg Area: 183,243 gsf
Total: 756,615 gsf
Phase 3 Downtown Campus

Existing 2008 Bldg Area: 486,698 gsf
Phase 1 & 2 Bldg Area: 269,917 gsf
Proposed Bldg Area: 490,545 gsf
Total: 1,247,160 gsf

Phase 3 Downtown Campus
Long Range Plan Downtown Campus

Existing 2008 Bldg Area    486,698 gsf
Phase 1,2,&3 Bldg Area    760,462 gsf
Proposed Bldg Area        221,922 gsf
Total: 1,469,082 gsf
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