

# The University of Texas at San Antonio Campus Master Plan

Discovery Survey Results

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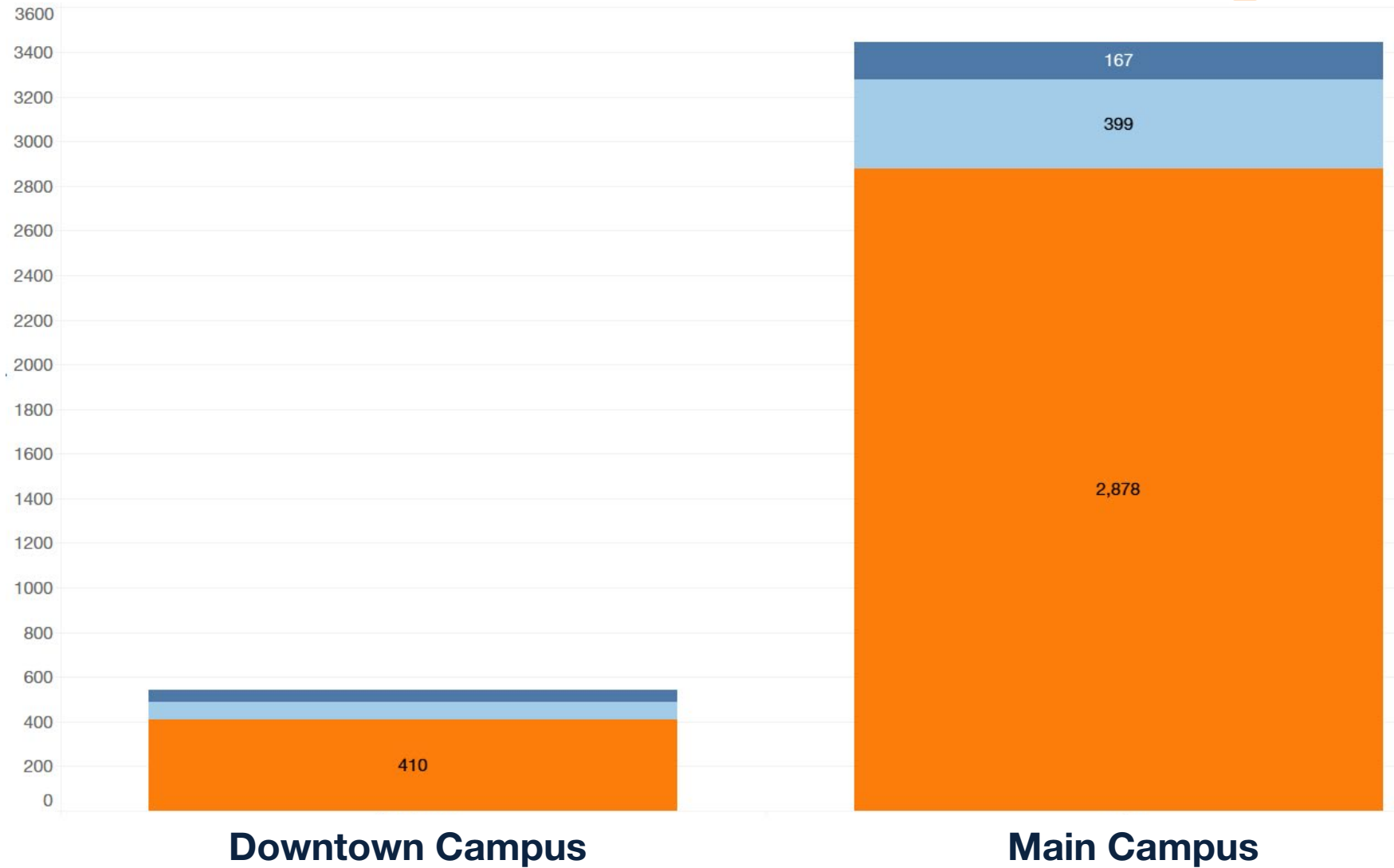
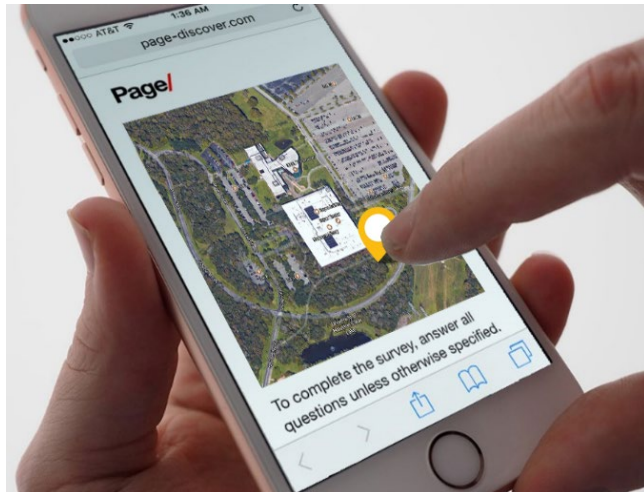
**The Discovery Survey is an interactive online engagement tool that was offered to all students, faculty, and staff on both campuses during the early analysis stage of the master plan process.**

*The survey offers an opportunity for users to answer questions and utilize maps to depict how they experience the University's campuses. These answers provide the master plan team with broad insights into the preferences, use patterns, and unique characteristics specific to the institution.*

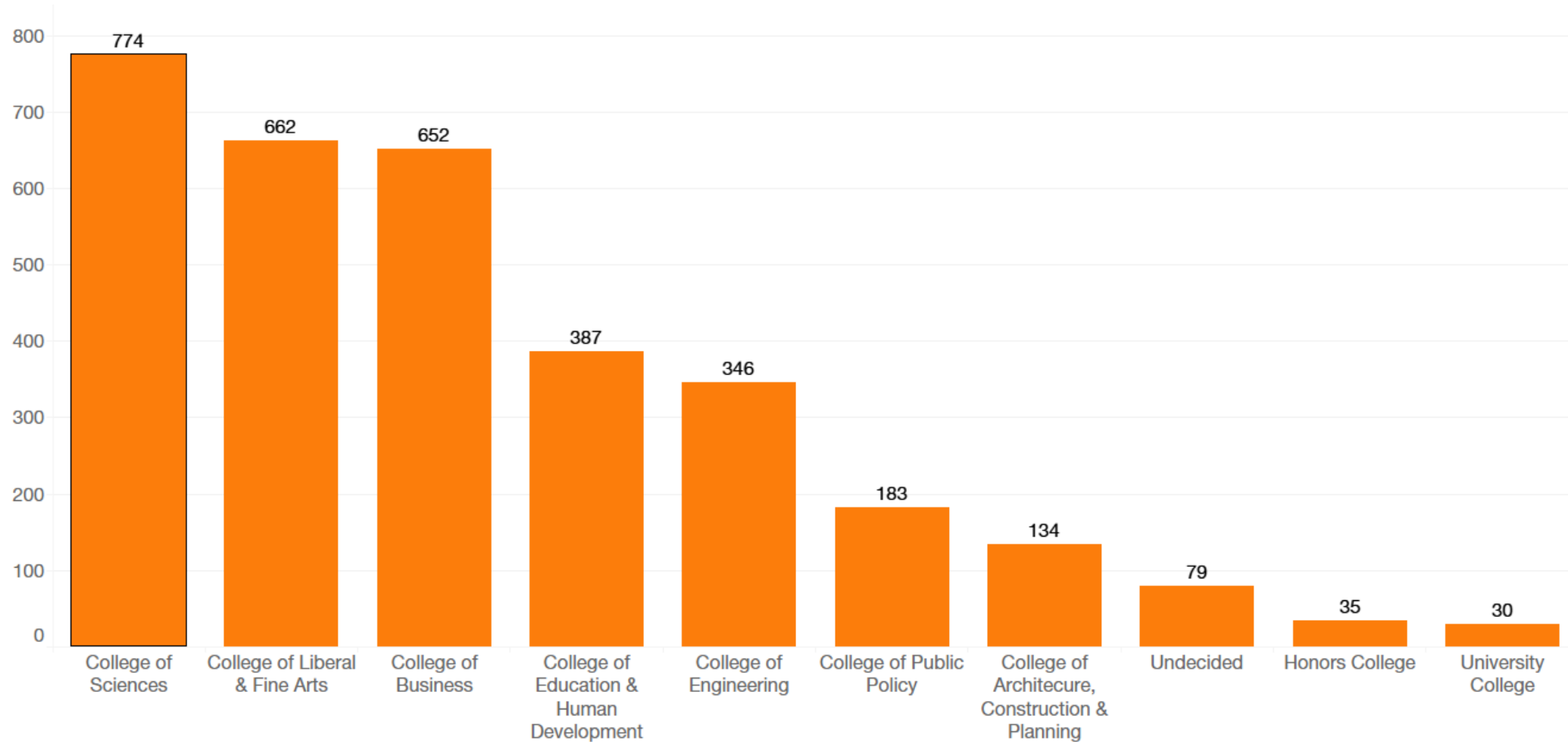
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## RESPONSES

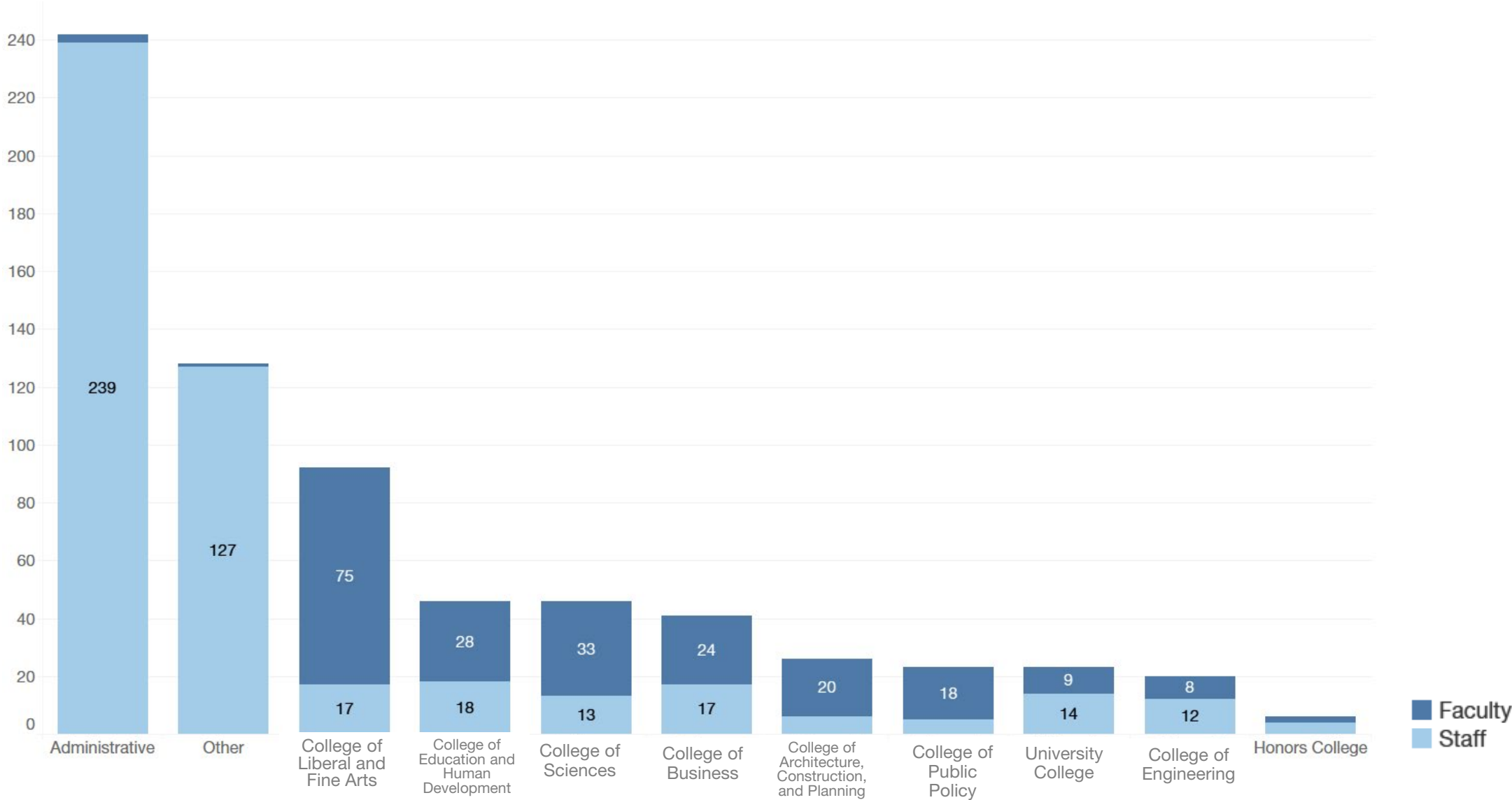
- About **4,000** total responses
- About **10%** student response rate



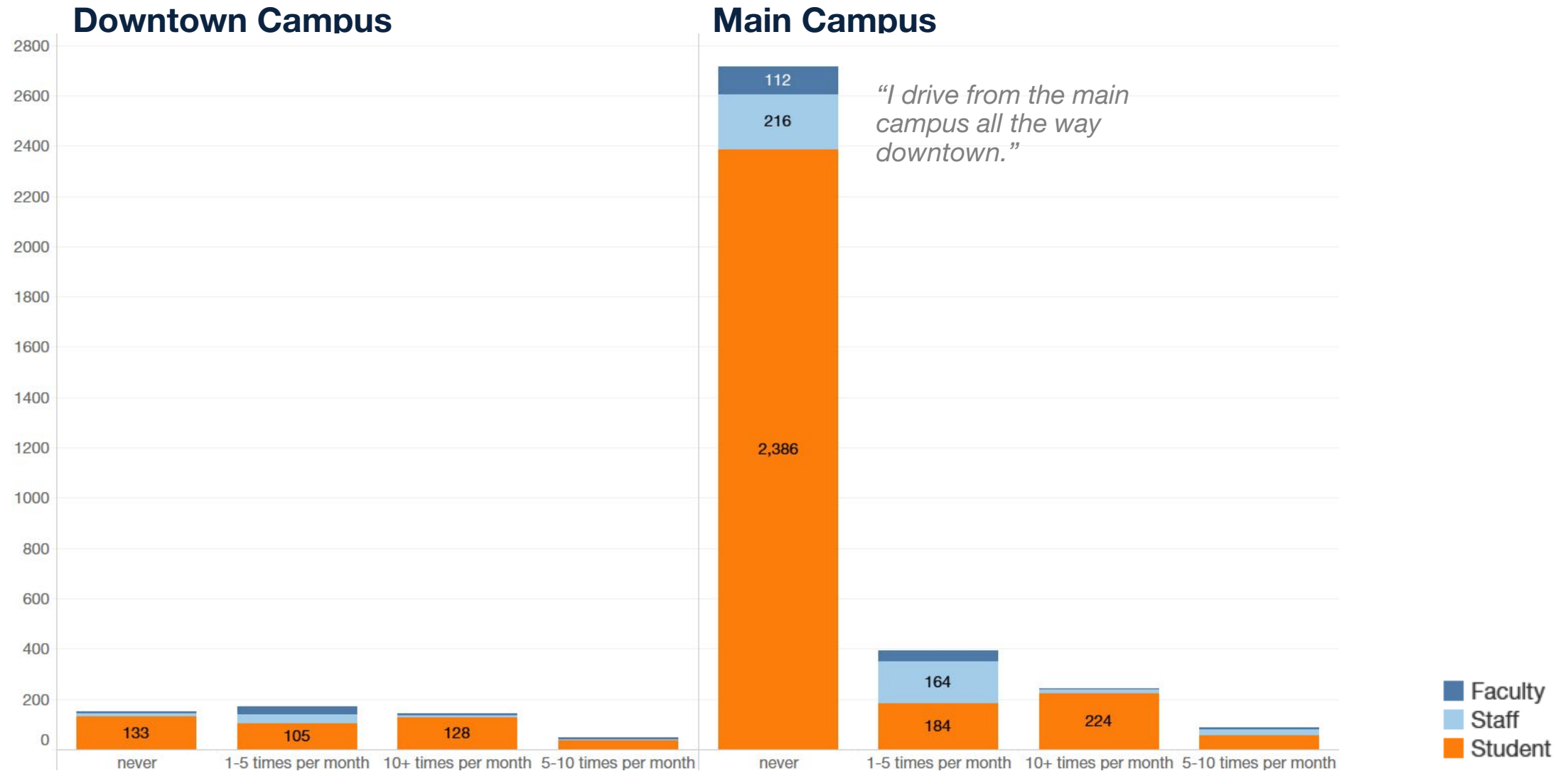
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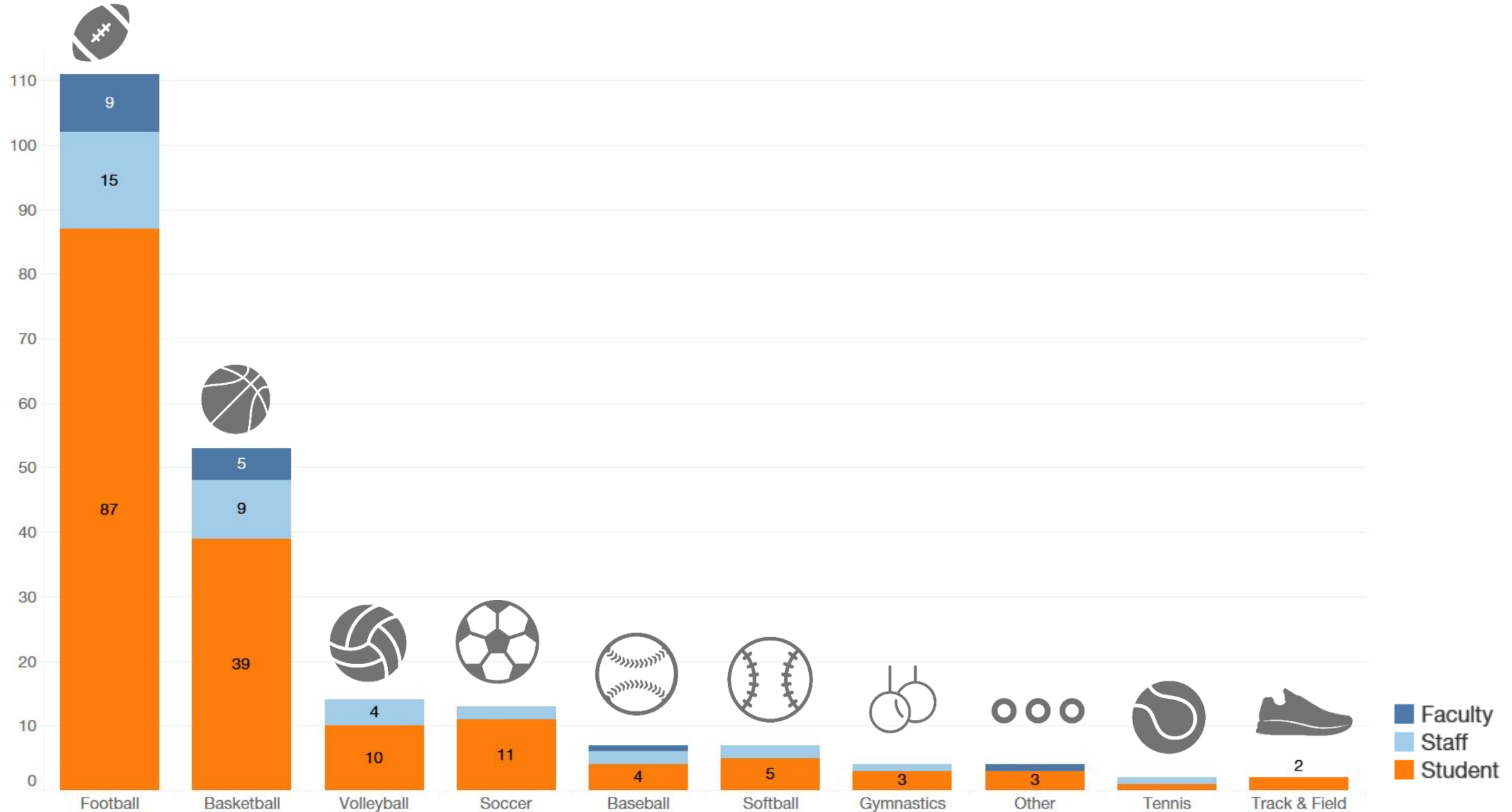
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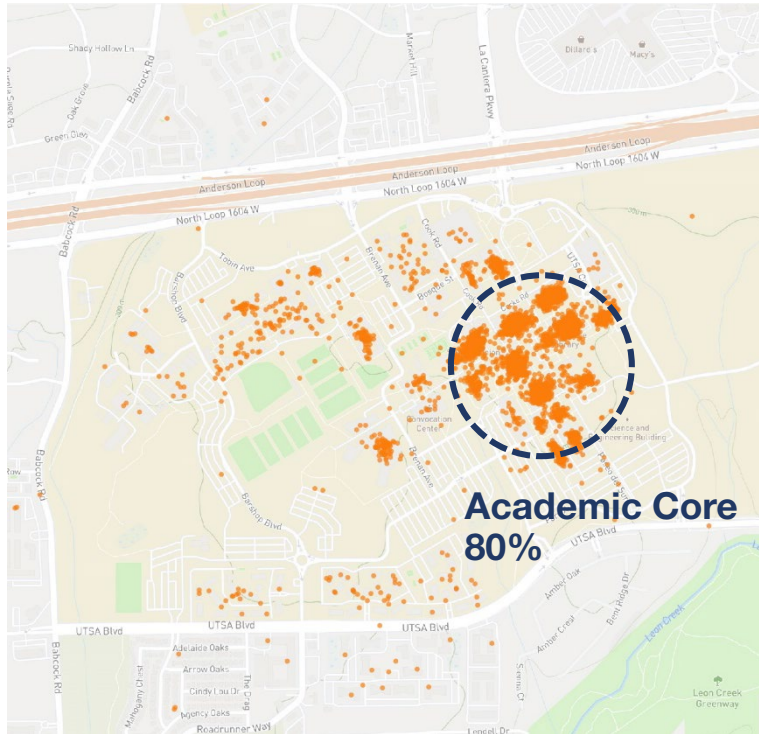


# **1 Main Campus**

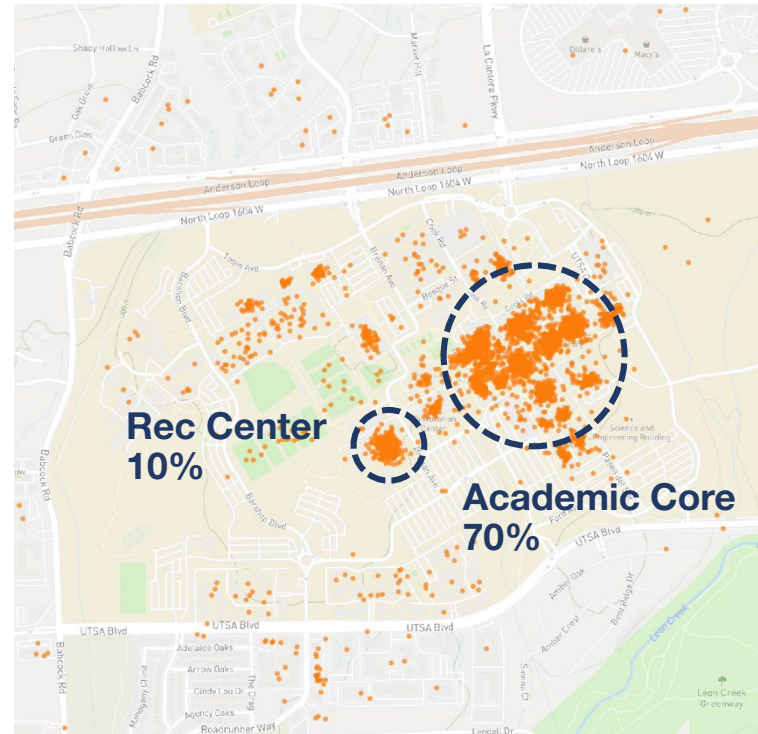


# Main Campus | Gathering Spaces

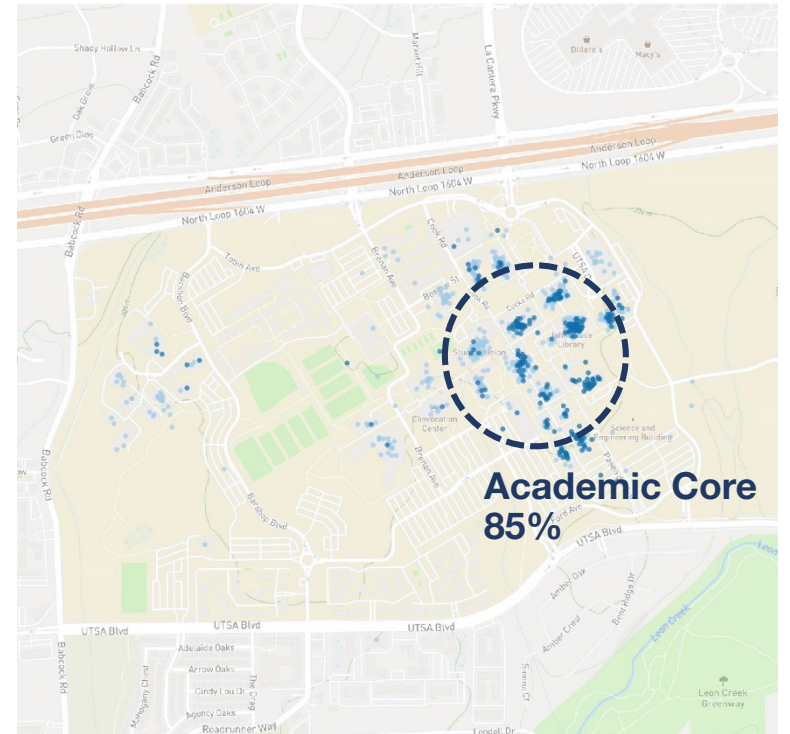
Where do you typically **study**?



Where do you **socialize**?



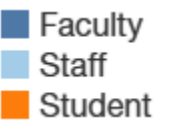
Where do you **collaborate**?



*“JPL Quiet Computing, or anywhere in that building I can have a peaceful moment”*

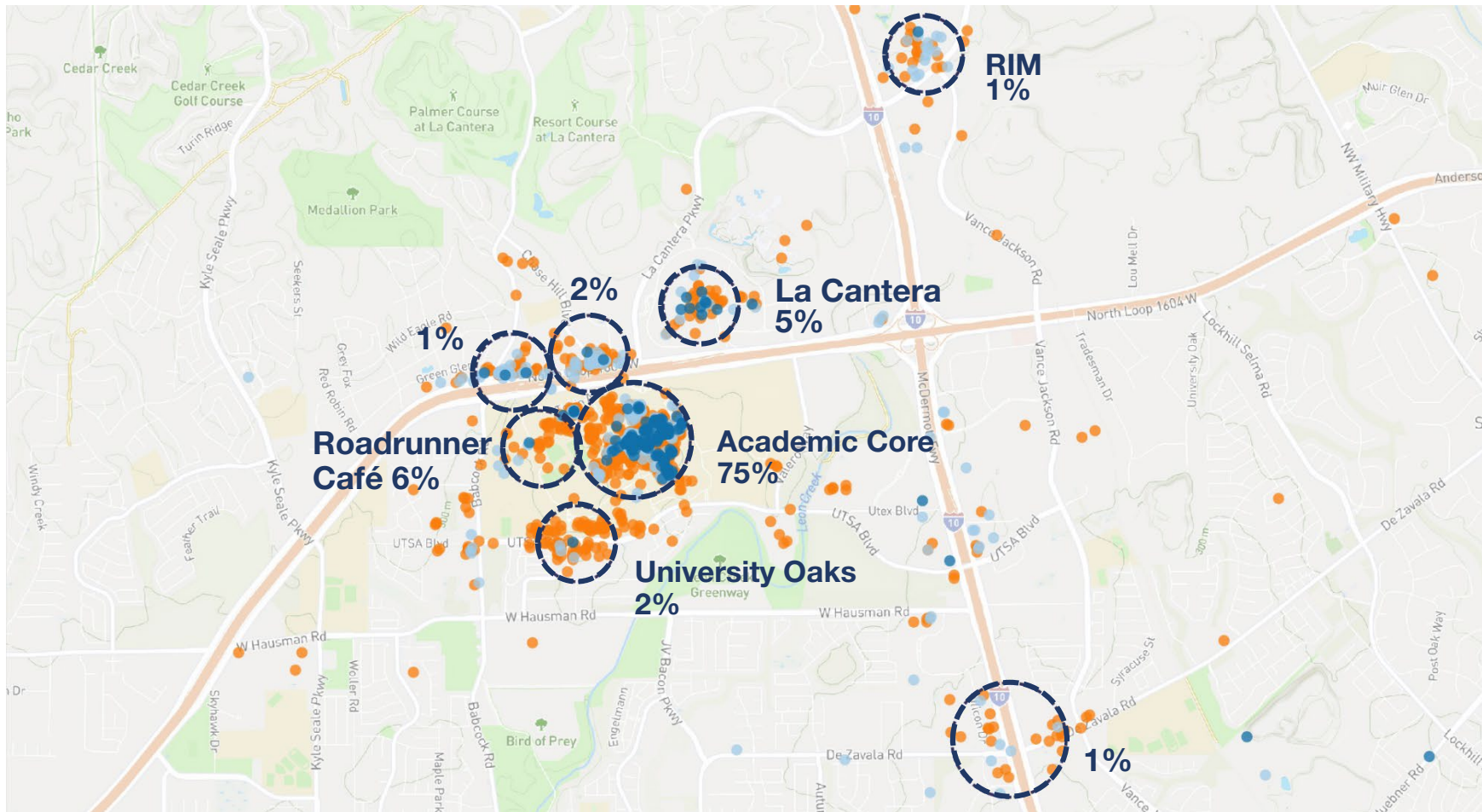
*“I socialize all over campus, but mainly the University Center and the JPL food court”*

*“Faculty Center is great!”  
“UC food court area”  
“JPL at Starbucks”*



# Main Campus | Where do you typically eat on or near campus?

Over 80% of the faculty, staff, and students surveyed stated that they typically eat on campus.



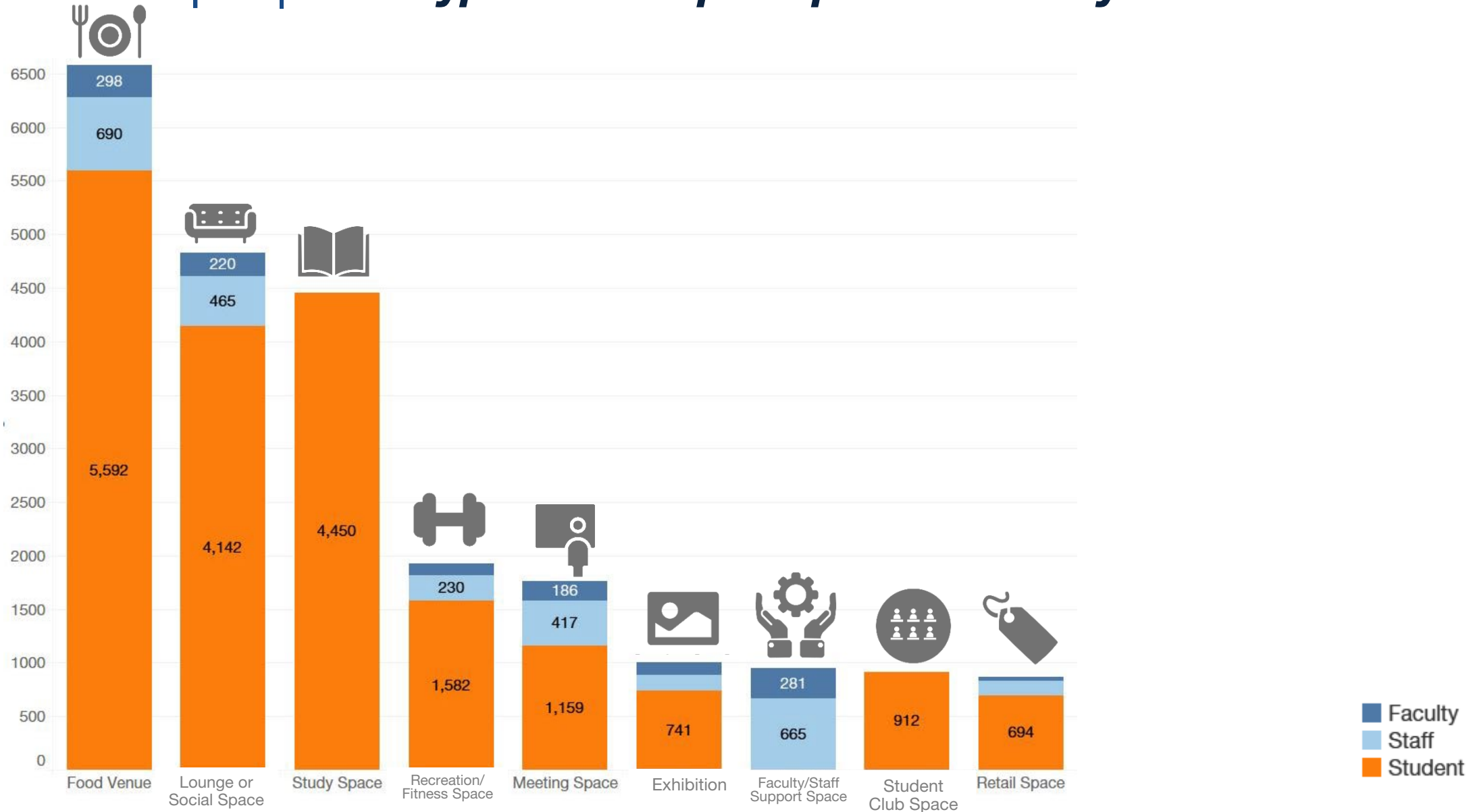
*“I typically eat outside wherever there is room or in the student union when the weather is bad.”*

*“We need vegetarian options.”*

*“I go home for lunch or eat in my office” “Restaurants at the Rim, Whataburger, or La Cantera.”*

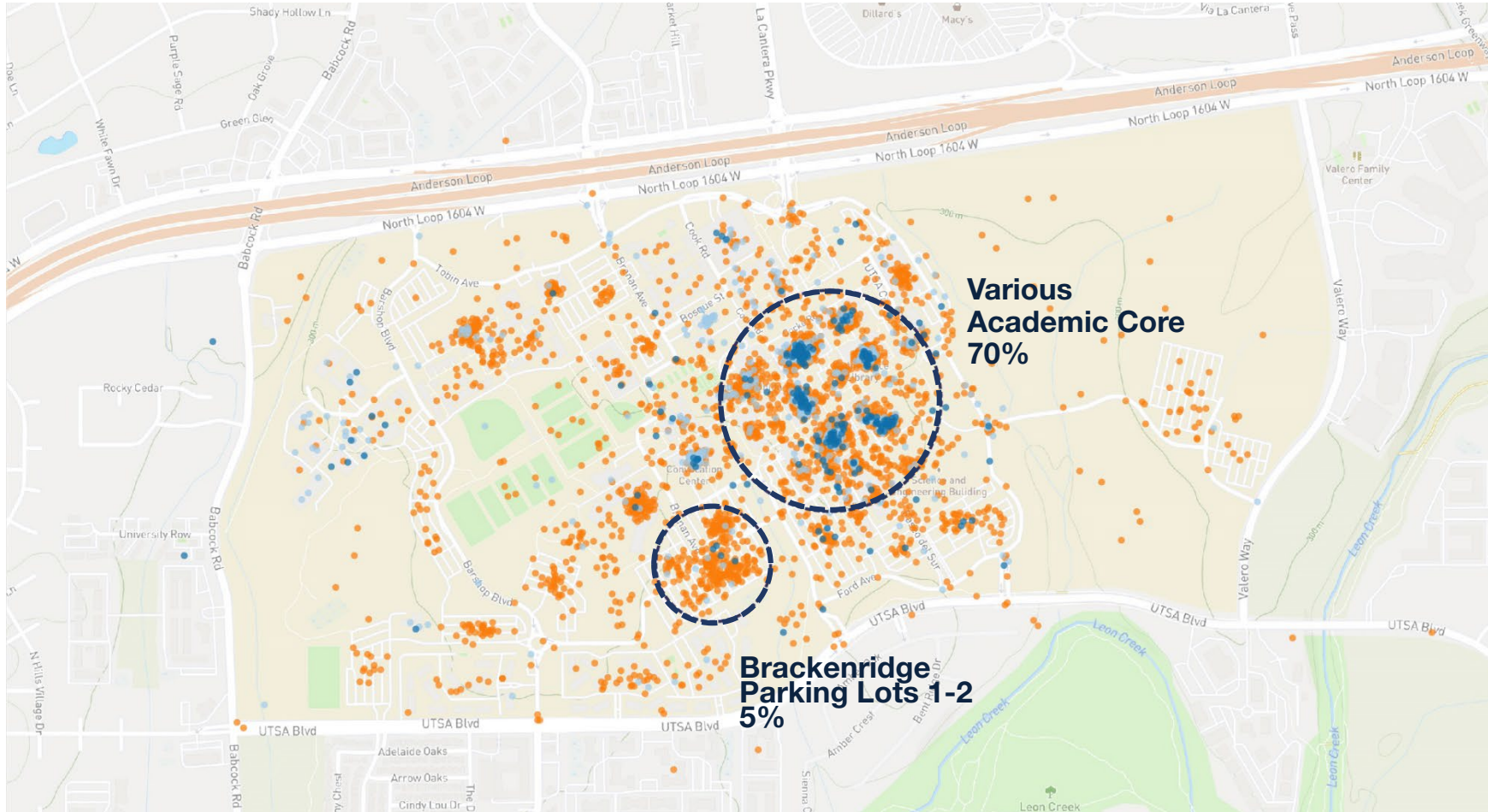
*“I wish there were more restaurants within walking distance.”*

# Main Campus | *What types of campus spaces would you like to see?*



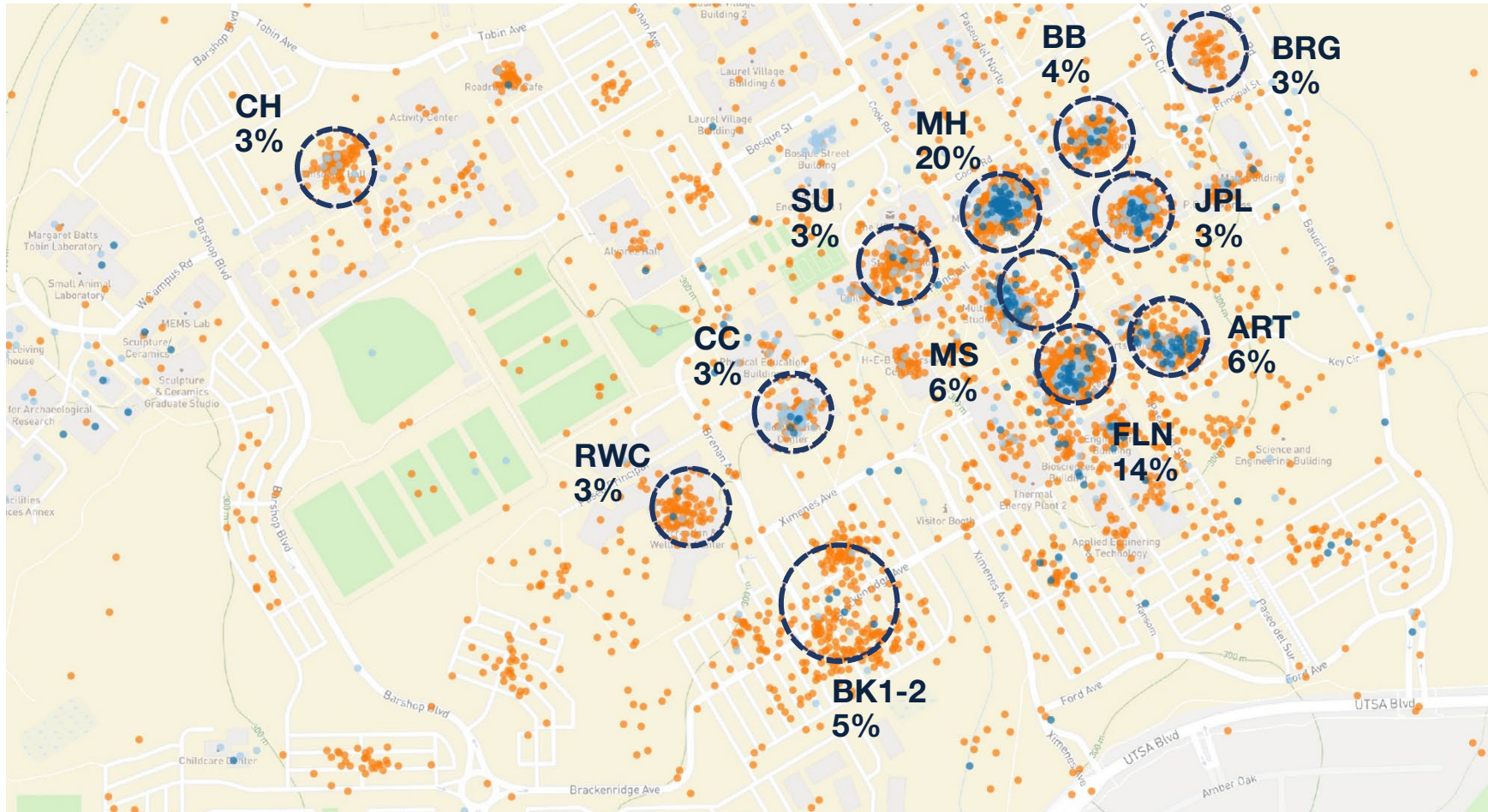
# Main Campus | *Identify spaces that need the most improvement*

More than half of the responses identified places in and around the academic core in need of improvement.



# Main Campus | *Identify spaces that need the most improvement (core detail)*

Most responses identified buildings and interior spaces as in need of improvement.



*“Need student exhibition/critique space”*

*“Tiny desks”*

*“Pedestrian traffic versus speeding cars trying to park!”*

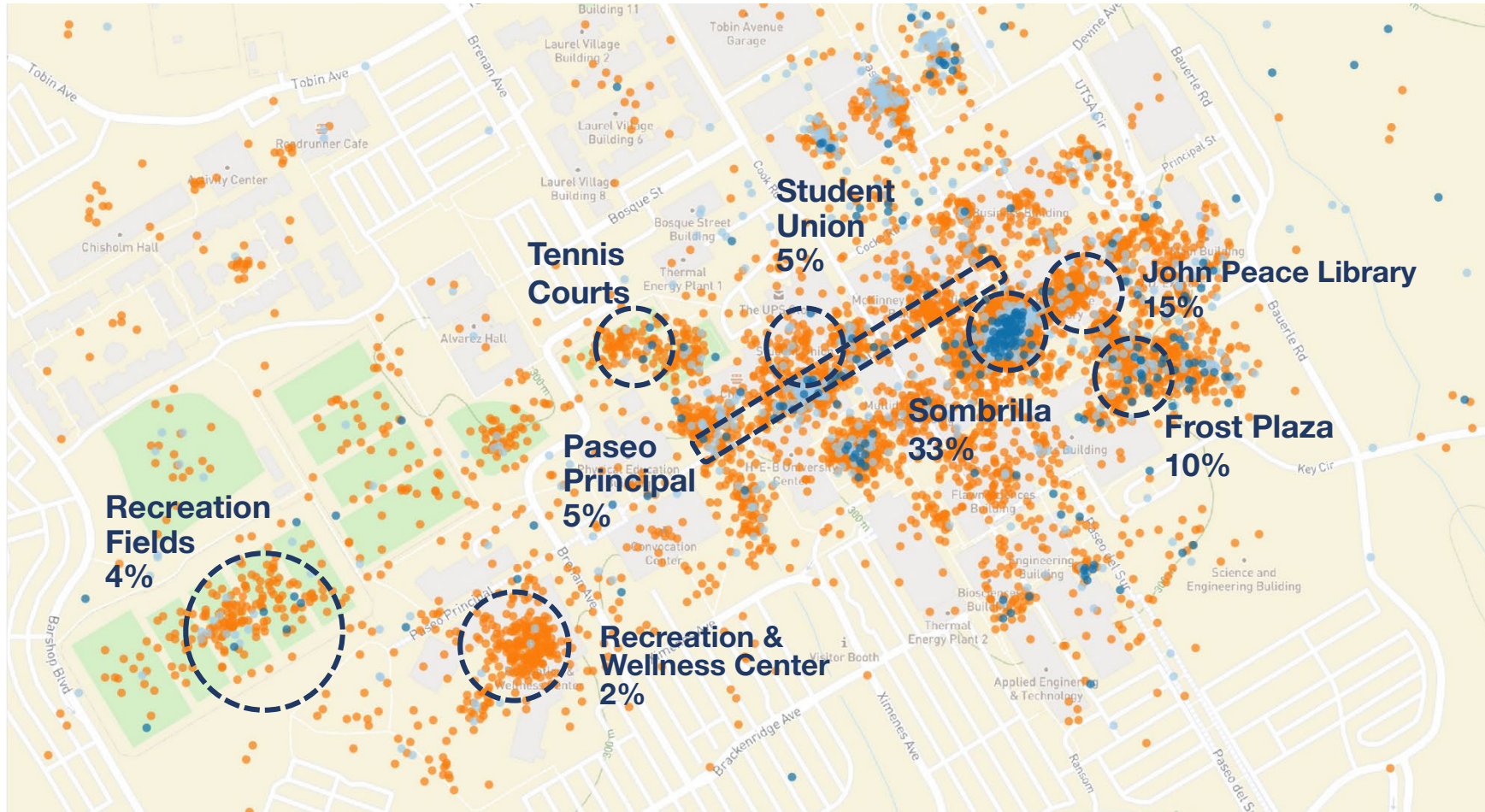
*“All parking for commuters”*

*“The Flawn and MS classrooms and laboratories are in poor condition and without modern tech”*



# Main Campus | *Where/what is the heart of campus?*

Many faculty, staff, and students consider the Sombrilla and John Peace Library the heart of the campus.



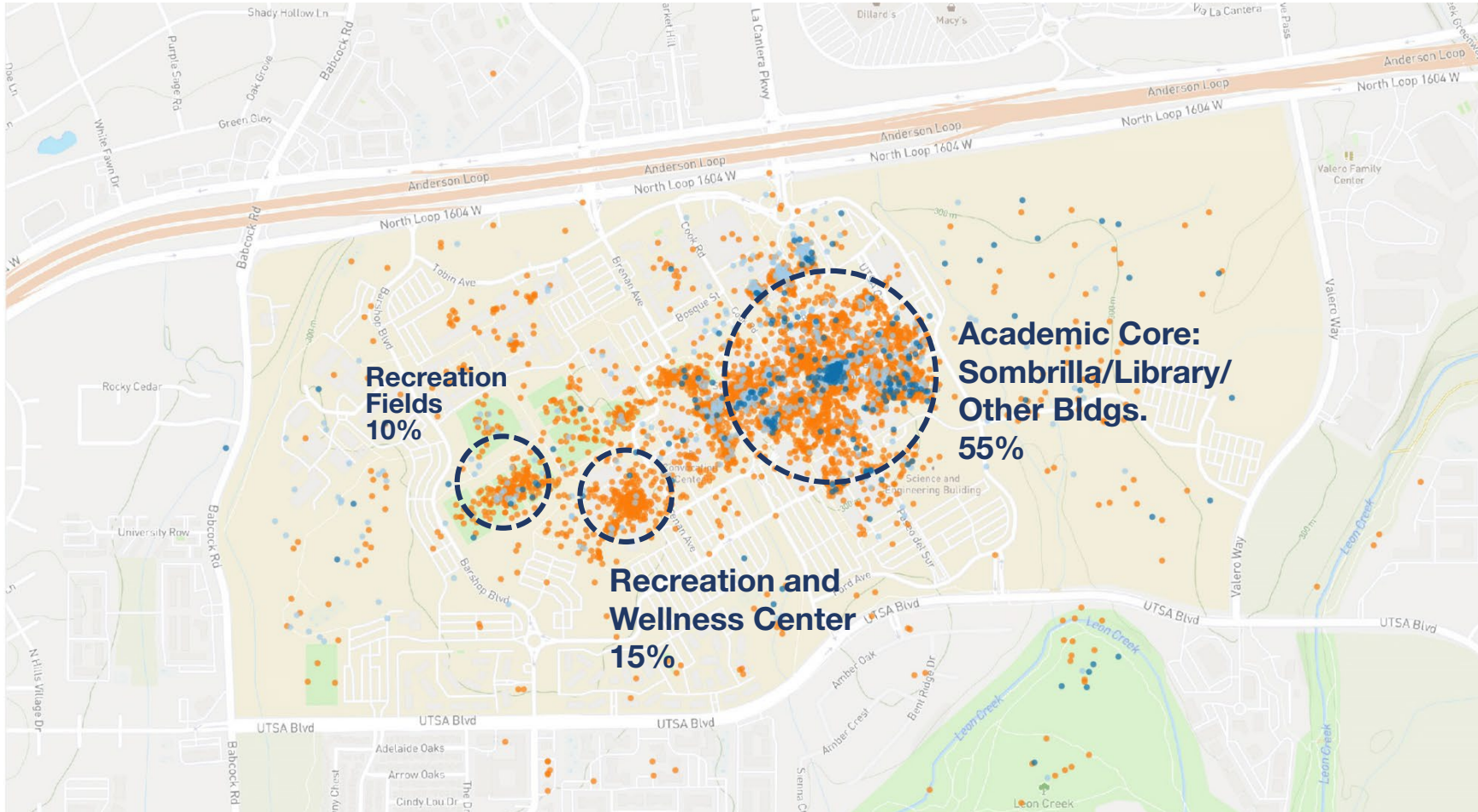
*“Sombrilla, definitely. Rowdy statue, fountain”*

*“Anywhere on campus”*

*“The paseo is always lively and fun”*

# Main Campus | *Identify your favorite outdoor spaces*

The Academic Core is by far the most popular outdoor spaces on campus, this includes the Paseo Principal, Sombrilla, and interstitial spaces between buildings.

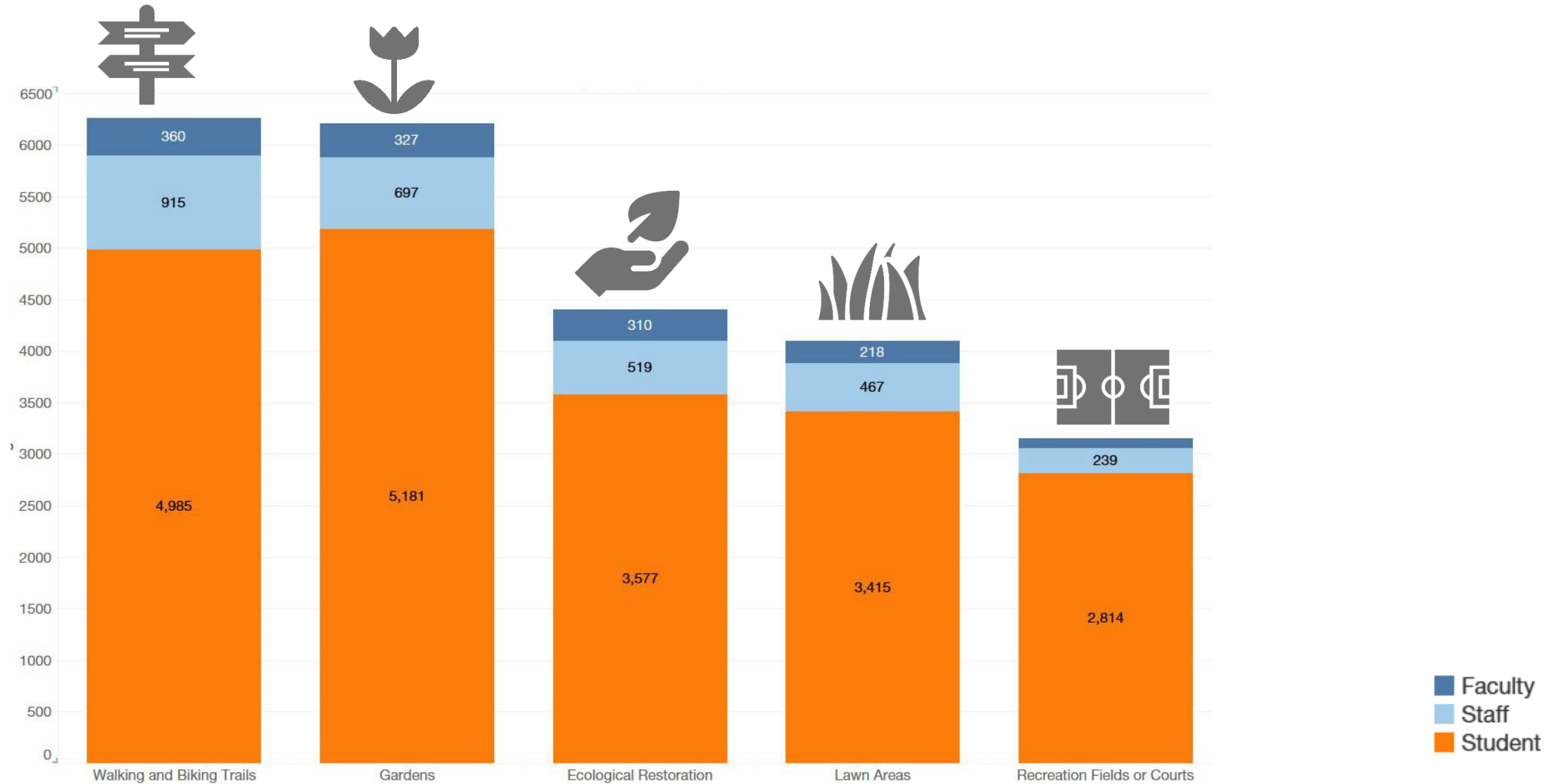


*“All the natural areas, which are being demolished”*

*“There aren’t very many enjoyable outdoor spaces on campus”*

*“Anywhere there is shade and available spaces to sit”*

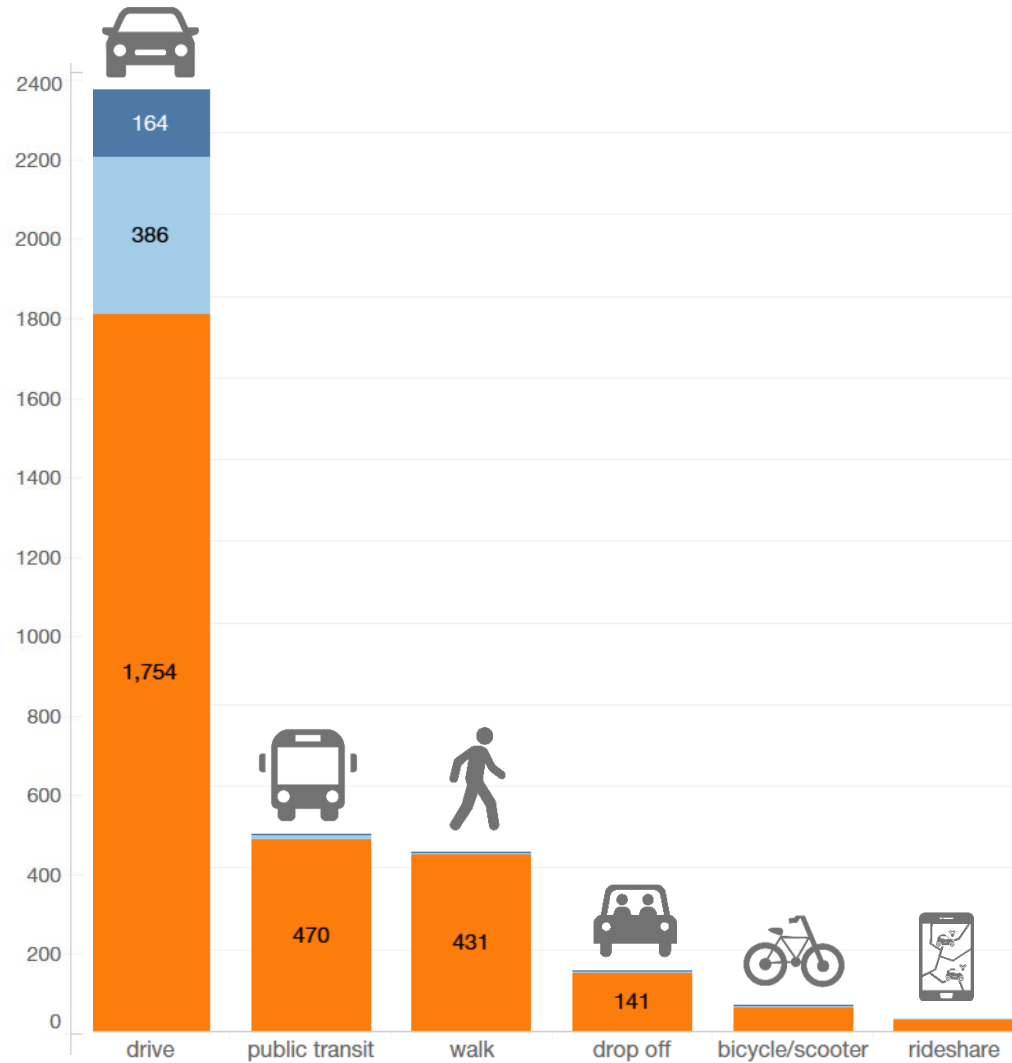
# Main Campus | *What type of new outdoor space would you like to see?*



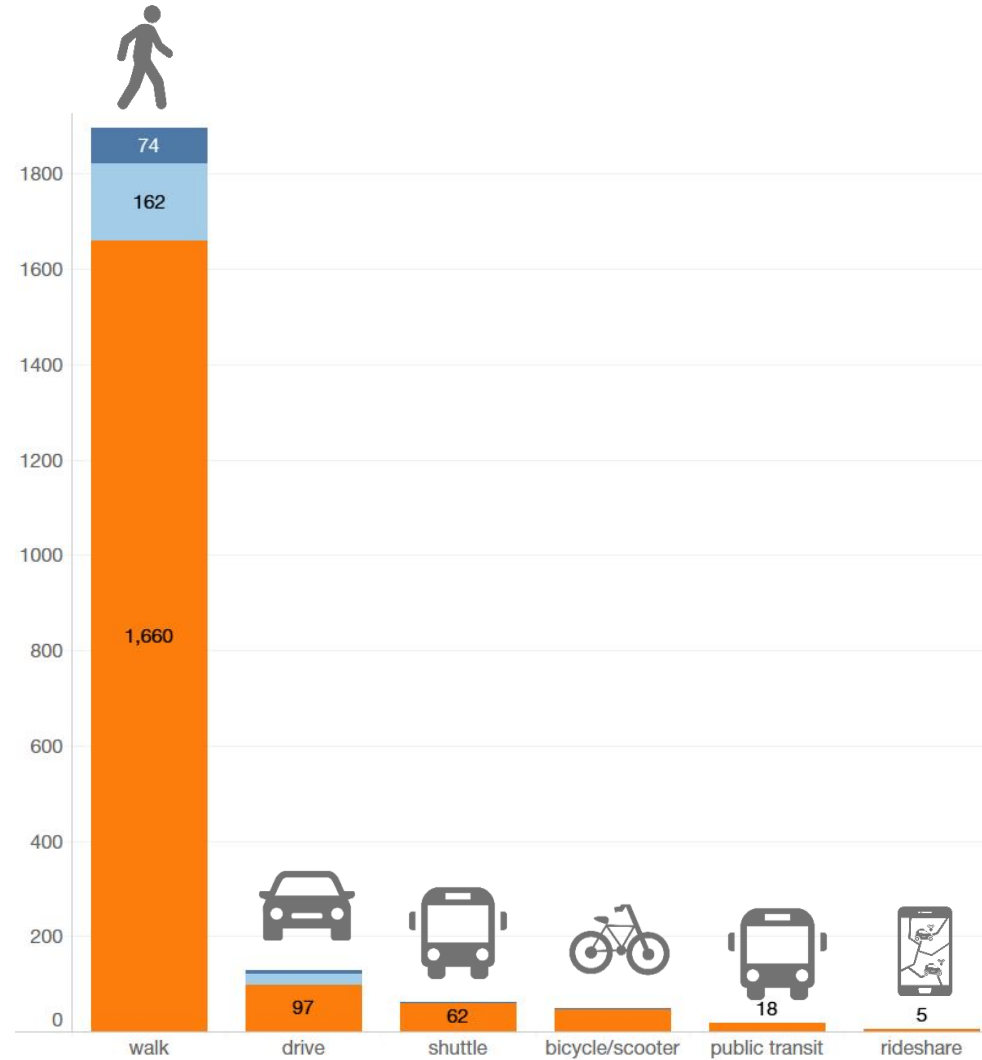


# Main Campus | Transportation Mode Share

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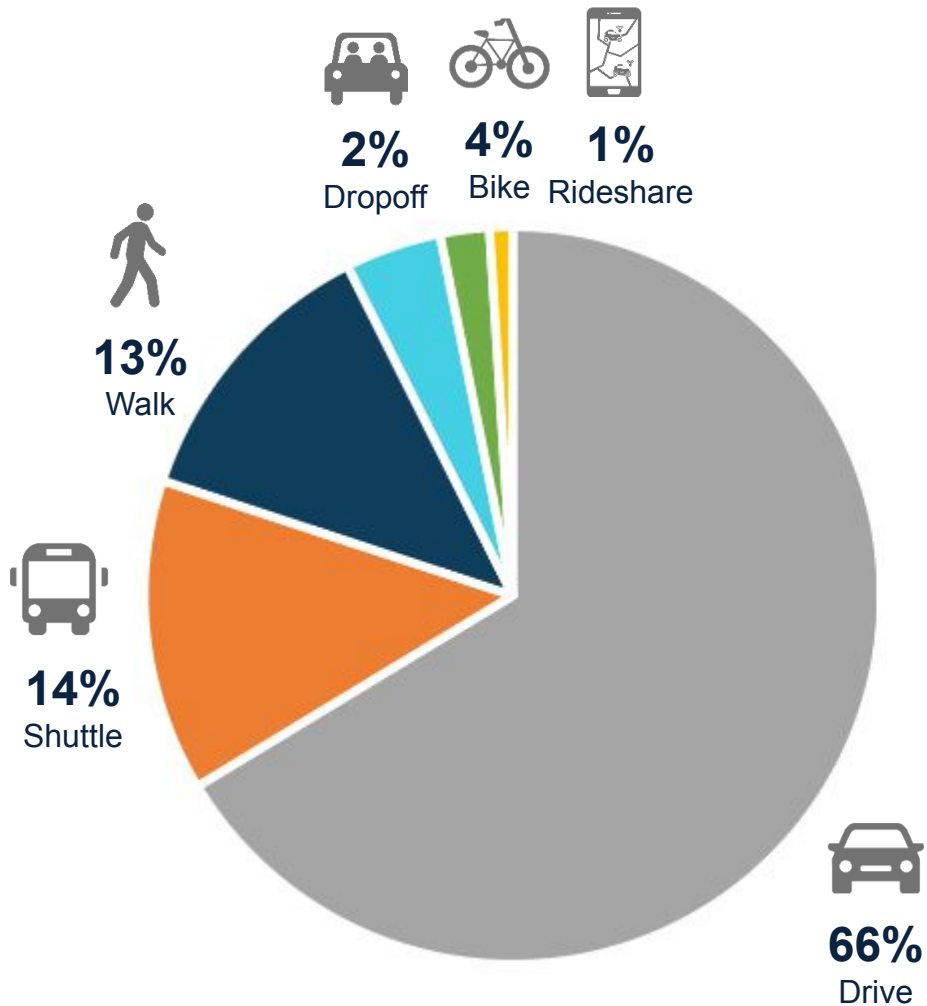
*How do you travel within the campus?*



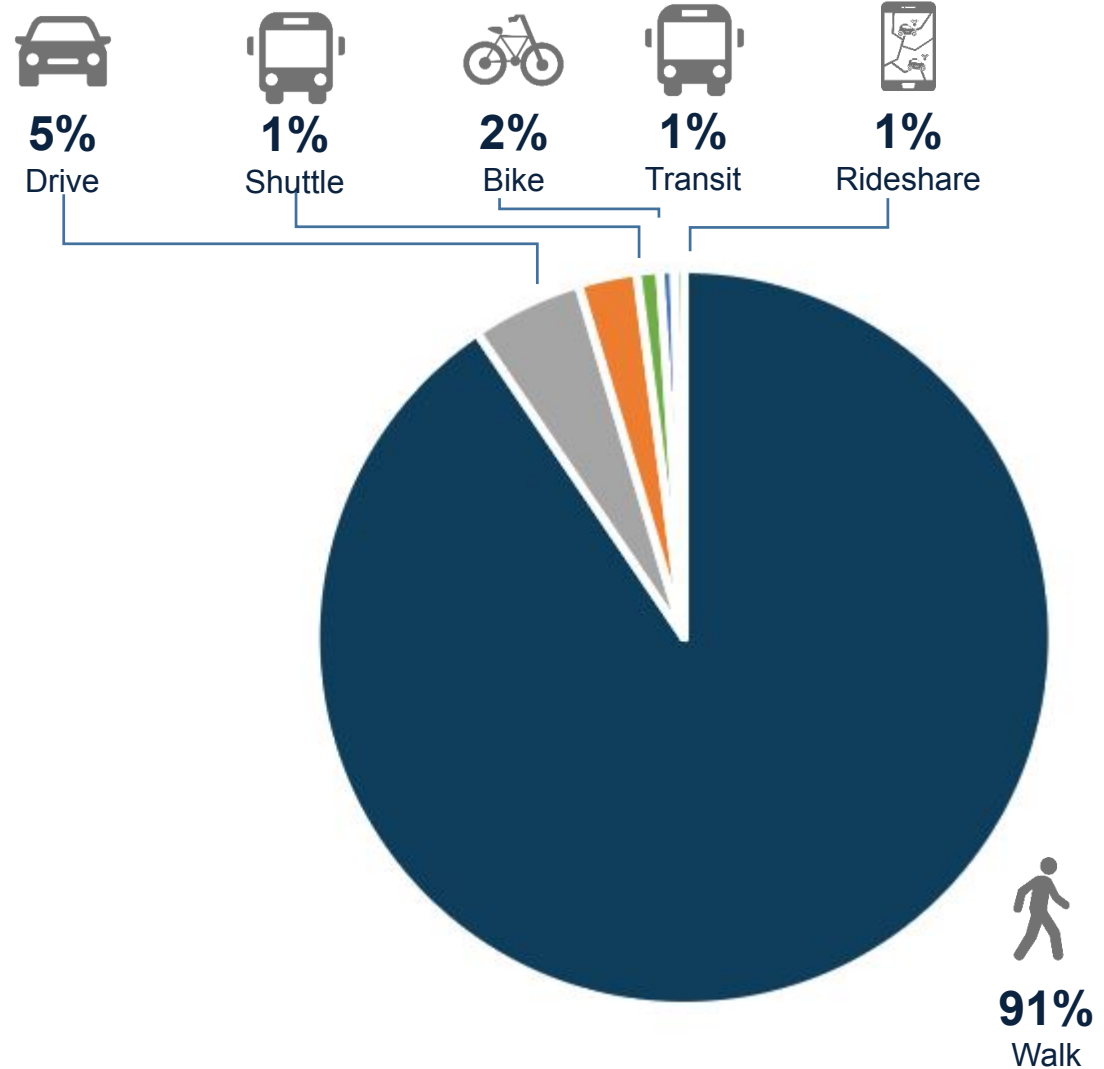
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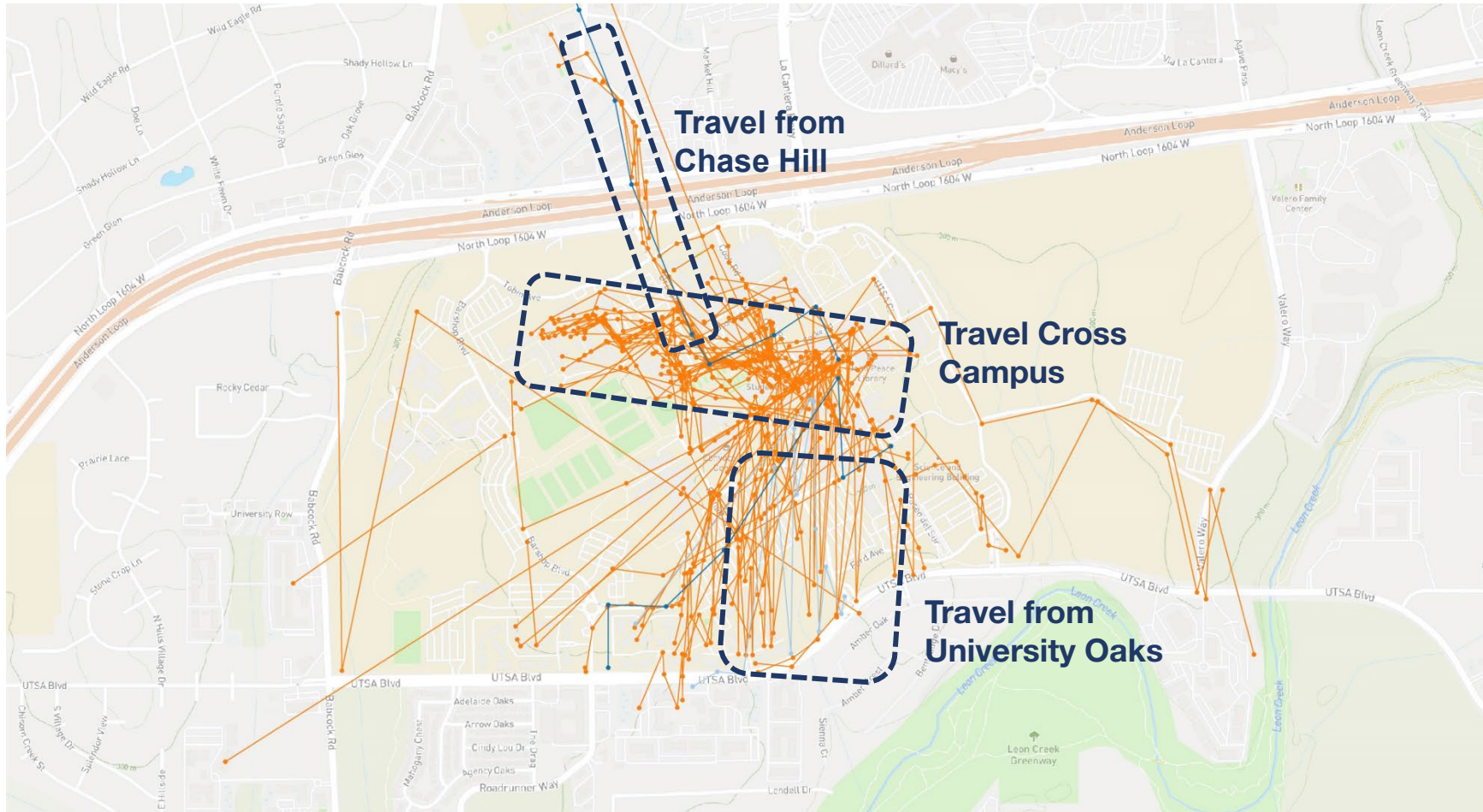


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# Main Campus | Pedestrian and Cyclists

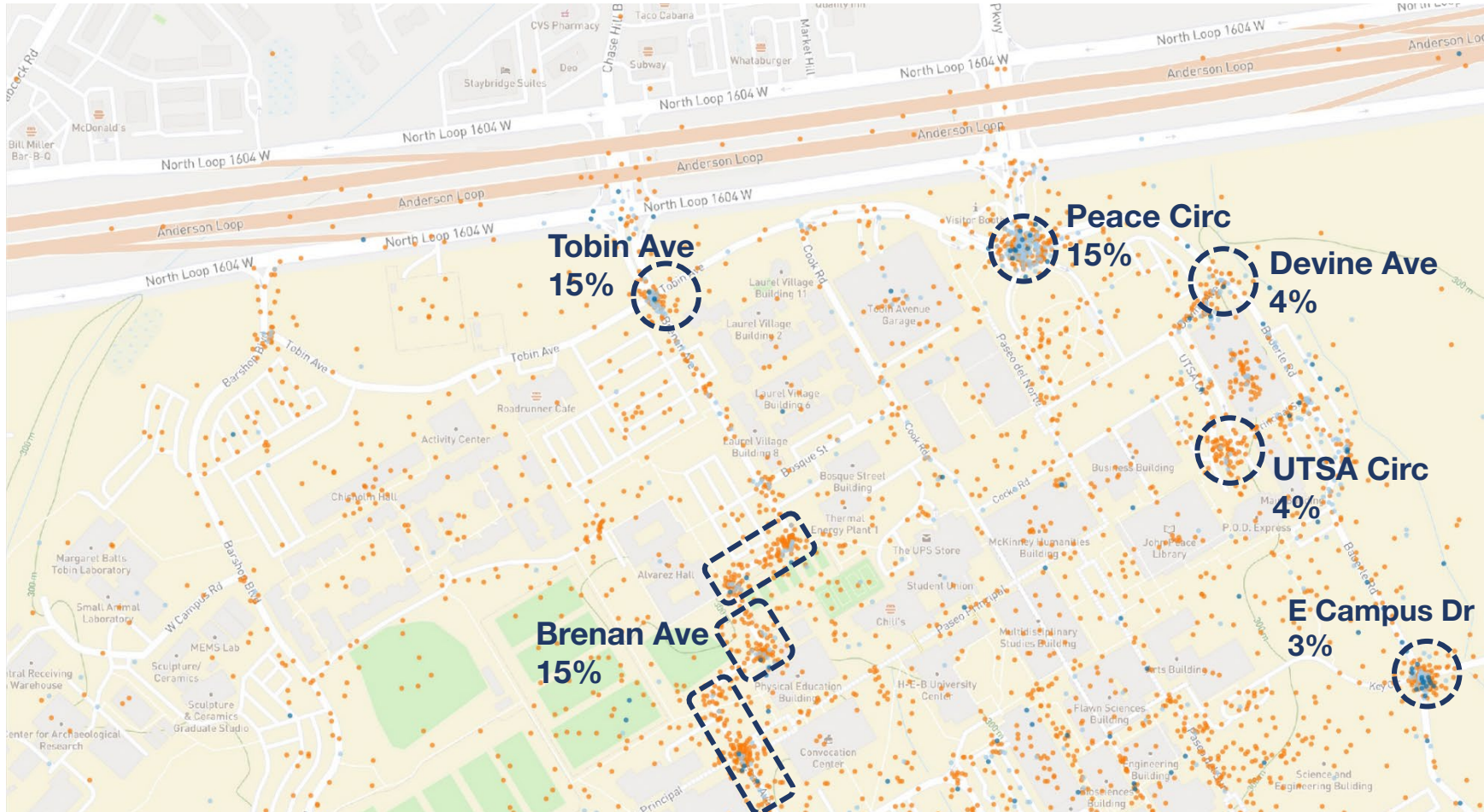
Nearly all of the survey respondents that walk, cycle, or use scooters were students. They primarily moved between their dorms/apartments and classes during the day.



- 13% total respondents walk to campus
- 2% total respondents bike/scooter to campus

# Main Campus | *Identify Unsafe Areas (North Campus)*

Most identified unsafe areas were intersections and/or pedestrian conflict areas.



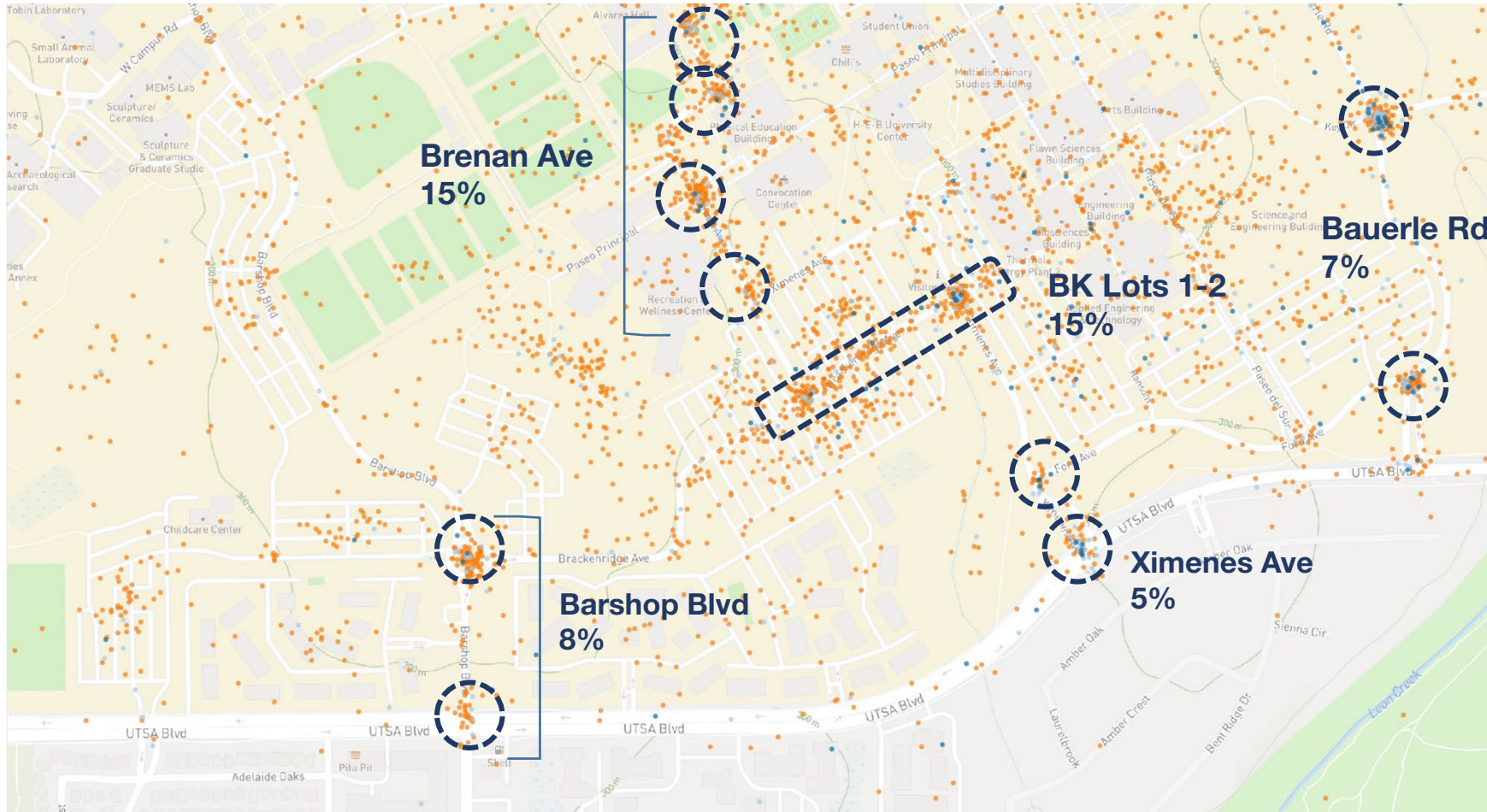
*“I feel very safe here.”*

*“Crossing under the freeway”*

*“Peace Circle is like a free-for-all”*

# Main Campus | *Identify Unsafe Areas (South Campus)*

Most unsafe areas identified were at intersections and/or pedestrian conflict areas.



*“Brackenridge Ave lots are usually a zoo”*

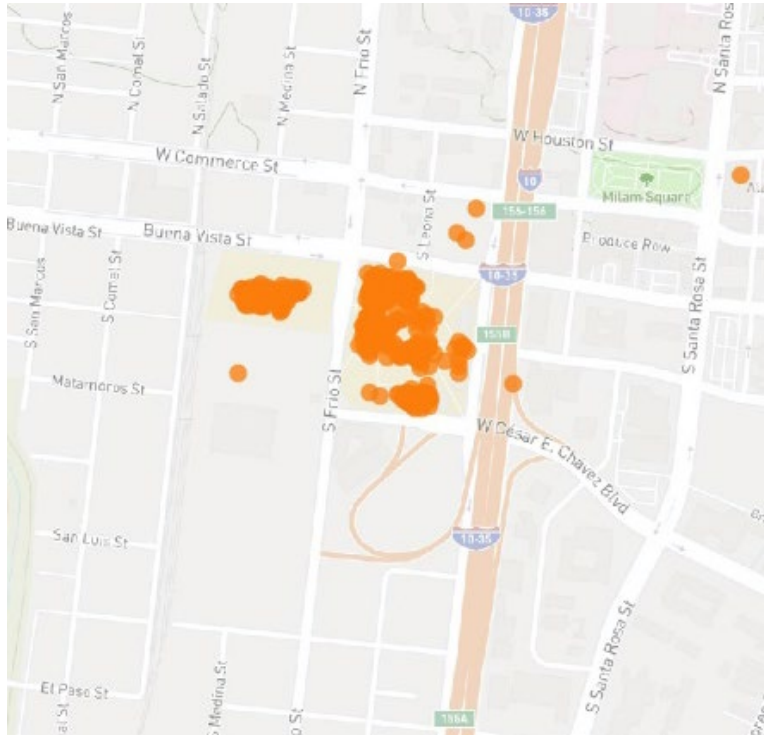
*“Lack of crosswalks and heavy traffic.”*

## **2** Downtown Campus

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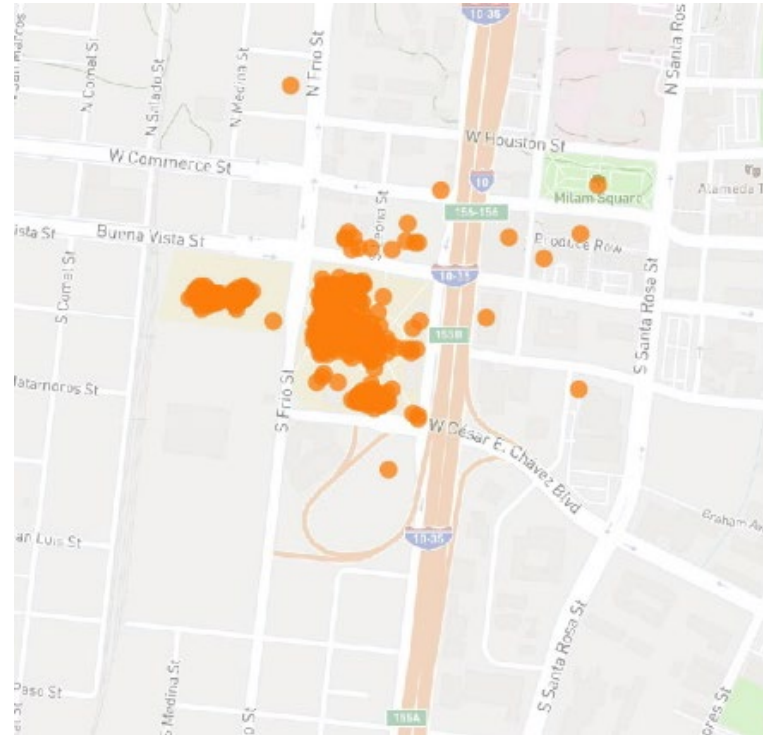
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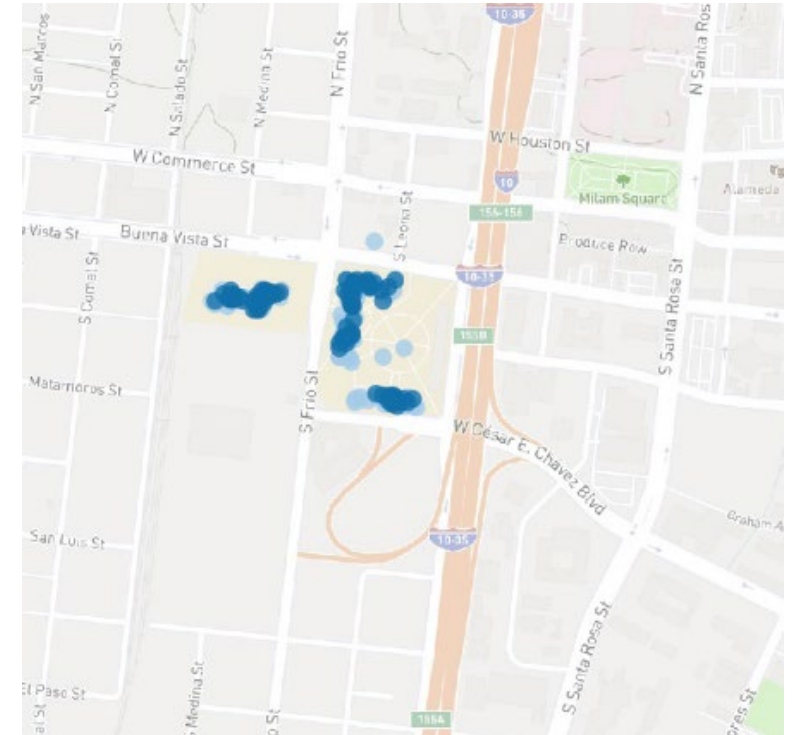
*“I usually study at home since I work full-time and don’t have that much time in between classes”*

Where do you *socialize*?



*“[I] spend most time at downtown campus”*

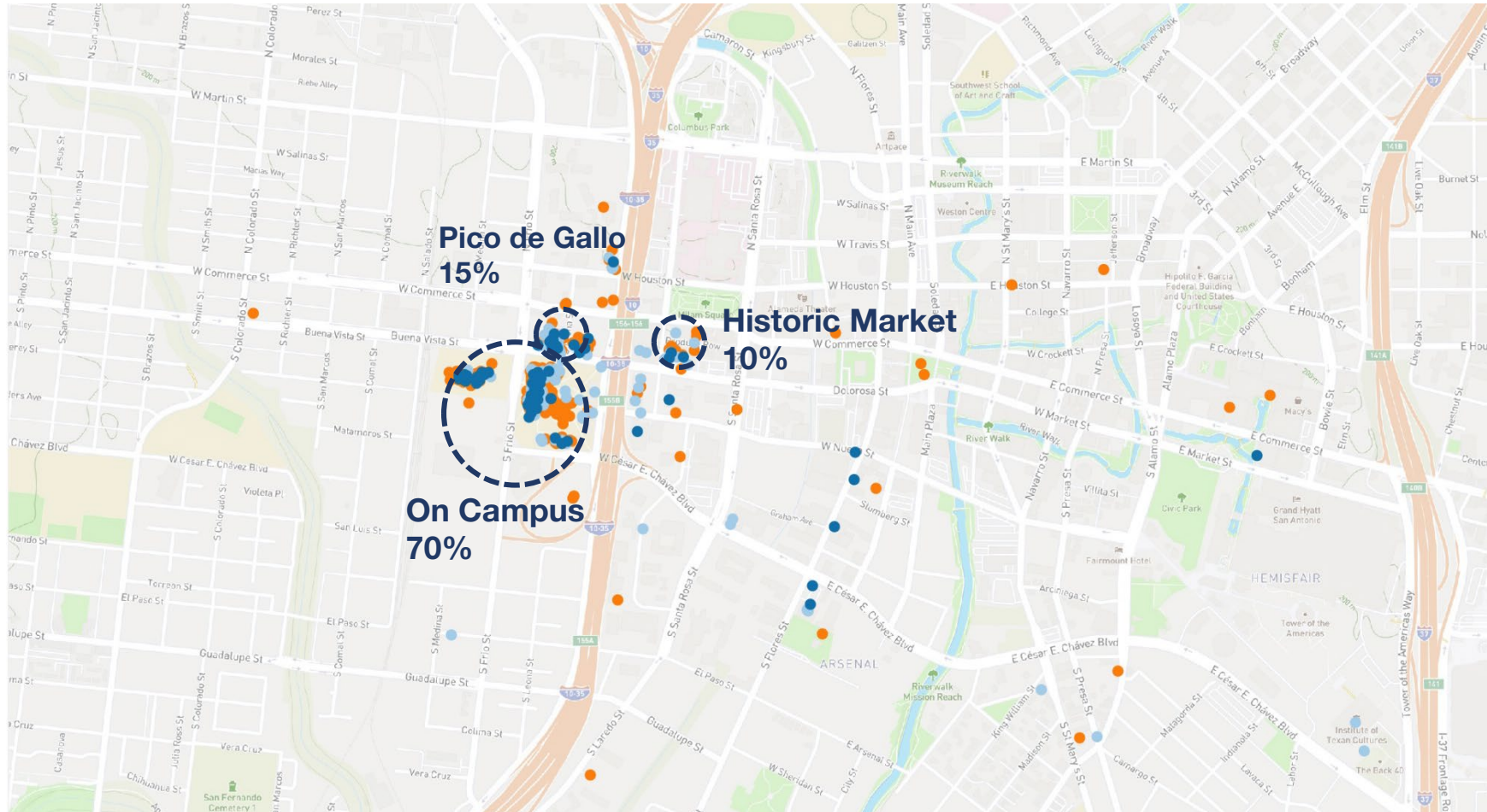
Where do you *collaborate*?



*“[I eat at the] student union food court.”*

# Downtown Campus | *Where do you typically eat on/near campus?*

Most respondents eat on campus. Pico de Gallo was the most popular off-campus food venue.



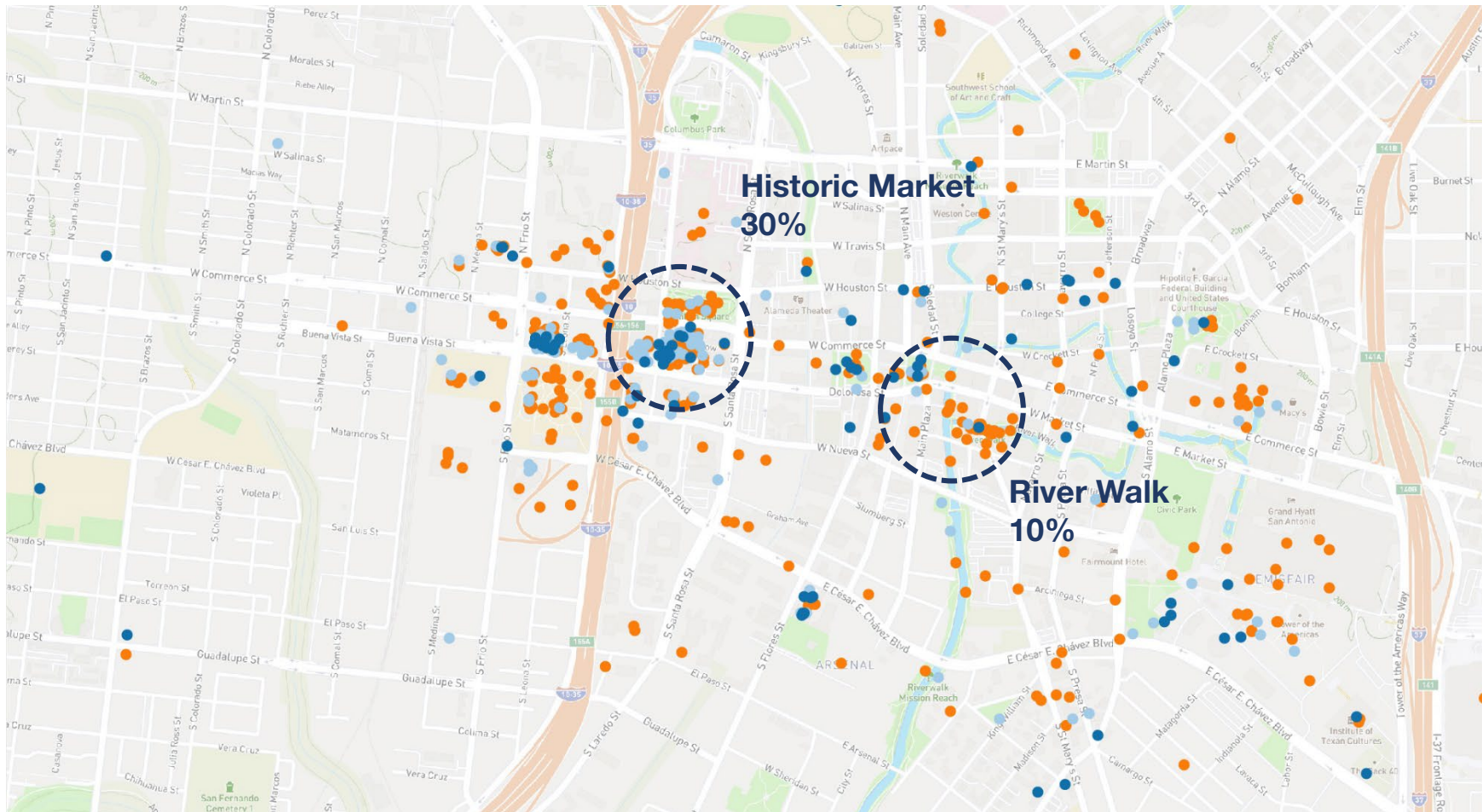
*“Food choices on downtown campus are minimal compared to those offered on Main Campus”*

*“I order Uber eats. There are no good, affordable food places in downtown and definitely no good food”*



# Downtown Campus | *Which off-campus destinations do you visit?*

While many don't tend to venture off campus often, popular destinations include the Historic Market Square, Milam Park, Main Plaza, and the River Walk

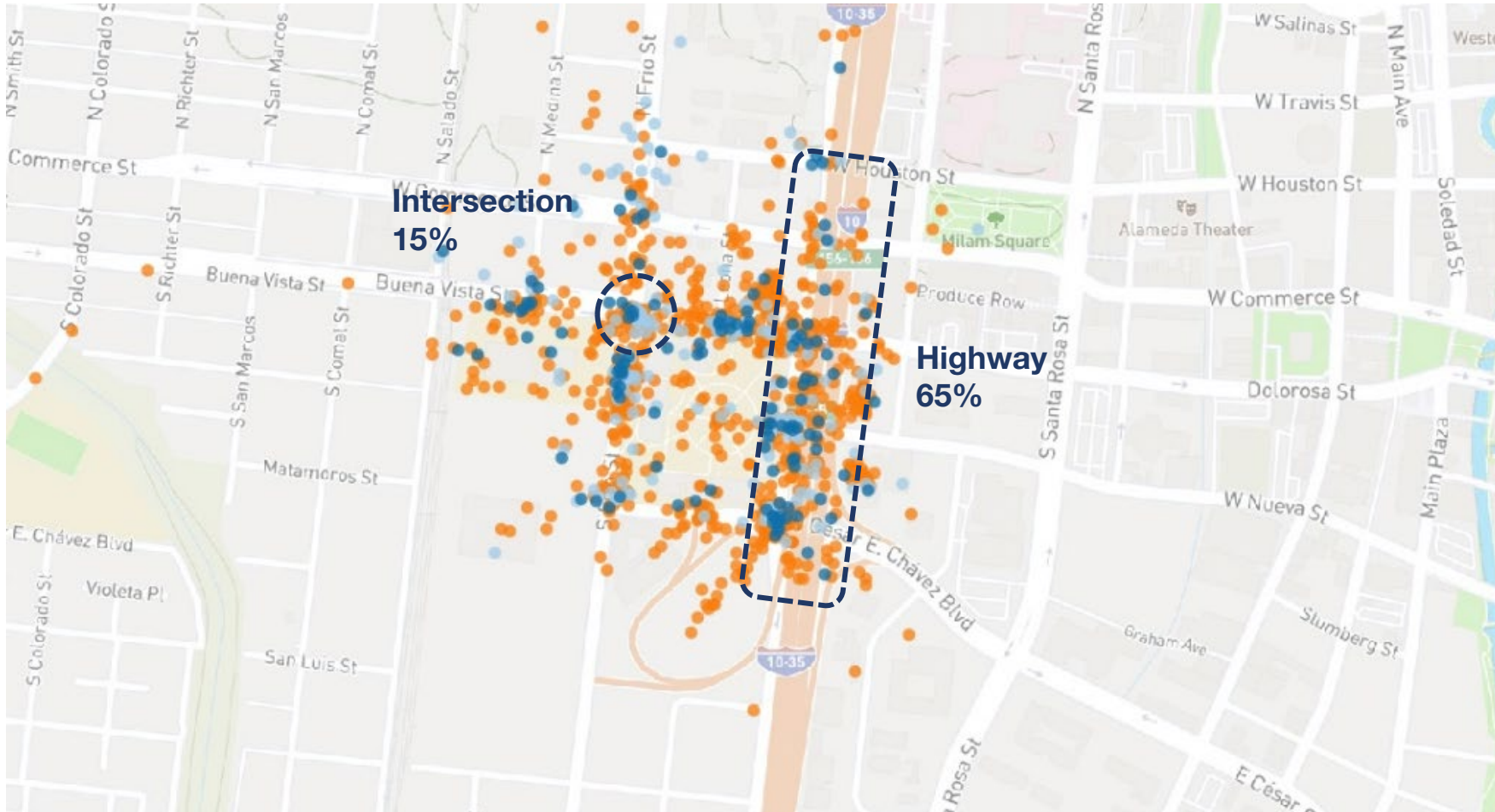


*“I bicycle the River Walk at lunch, sometimes visit Market Square, and go to various downtown restaurants”*

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# Downtown Campus | *Where do you feel unsafe?*

The streets surrounding Main Campus have been noted as unsafe from students, faculty, and staff.



*“Parking lots have poor lighting and limited patrols by campus police. At night, weekends and during”*

*“Crosswalks are unsafe. One of my students was hit”*

*“Crossing Frio Street is dangerous.”*

- Faculty
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