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Consolidated Housing
Existing Conditions
Humanities Village

Issues:
• ADA access/building entries
• Historic character of existing buildings
• Identity of Humanities Village and integration into rest of campus
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Center for Fine Arts

Issues:
• ADA access/building entries
• Inconsistent landscape
• Relationship to High St. houses
• Teaching Museum
• Additional academic buildings
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Proposals:

• Williams/Tsien scheme
• Object building
• Defines edge of CFA ‘quad’
Proposals:
• Defines CFA ‘quad’
• Fronts High Street
• Connects to CFA theater
• Colonnade screens High Street houses
Proposals:

• Defines 2 CFA ‘quads’
• Fronts High Street
• Connects to CFA theater
• Colonnade screens High Street houses
• Additional academic building
North Field

Issues:
• Field location
• New academic development
• New residential development
• Campus parking
• Access to Film Studies
• Relationship to faculty housing
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Proposals:

• 3 new dorms
• Frames access of Fayerweather
• Rotates field
• Creates Admissions lawn
• Blocks Admissions view of CFA
• Close to faculty housing
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Proposals:
• 3 new dorms
• Frames axis to Fayerweather
• Rotates field
• Creates trees buffer between field and new dorms
• Creates Admissions lawn
• Blocks Admissions view of CFA
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North Field

Proposals:
• 4 new dorms
• Adds faculty/staff parking (90 spaces)
• Removes field
• Creates Admissions lawn
• Blocks Admissions view of CFA
• Parking buffers faculty housing from dorms
• Creates connection to Film Studies
North Field

Proposals:

• 4 new dorms
• Adds faculty/staff parking (90 spaces)
• Removes field
• Creates Admissions only parking lot (30 spaces)
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Proposals:
• 1 new dorm
• Adds faculty/staff parking (60 spaces)
• 255 space parking deck (3 levels)
• Removes field
• Creates Admissions only parking lot (30 spaces)
• Blocks view of CFA from Admissions
• Parking buffers faculty housing from dorms
• Creates connection to Film Studies
Andrus Field

Issues:

• Field location
• University Center
• Connections to the rest of campus
• Landscape improvements
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Proposals:

• Reuses Fayerweather and the Cage for the University Center
• Removes parking lot behind College Row
• Creates tree lined path behind College Row
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• Adds 3 pavilion buildings
• Frames axial view of the Cage (University Center)
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- Creates ‘quad’ between College Row and new pavilions
Proposals:

- Reuses Fayerweather and the Cage for the University Center
- Removes parking lot behind College Row
- Adds 2 new buildings
- Creates ‘quad’ between College Row and new buildings
Andrus Field

Proposals:

• Reuses Fayerweather and the Cage for the University Center
• Removes parking lot behind College Row
• Adds 1 building
• Creates small courtyard between the Theater, Chapel, and new building
• Focuses view from field to North College and the Cage
Wyllys Avenue

Issues:

• Service to the University Center
• Access to Admissions
• Relocation of on-street parking
• Improved landscaping
• Closures vs. crossings
• Alley vs. ‘village street’
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• Closes the street, replaced with pedestrian plaza
• Campus entrance shifted to Washington
• Moment of arrival created at corner of Andrus Field
• Open space connection between Andrus Field, North Field, and CFA
• Unresolved issues of service and parking for University Center
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• Second entrance on Washington
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Issues:

• Service access
• Renovation vs. new construction
• Connection between campus core, CFA and North Field
• Location of Parking
• Creation of exterior plazas
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Proposals:

- Retains existing structures
- Interior connections between Andrus Field and North Field/CFA
- Exterior plazas created along Wyllys and on Andrus Field (southern exposure)
- Program dispersed in two buildings
- Service access between Cage and Fayerweather
- Parking unresolved
Proposals:

• Retains Fayerweather, replacement of Cage

• Exterior connections between Andrus Field and North Field/CFA

• Exterior plazas created along Wyllys and on Andrus Field (southern exposure)

• Program dispersed in two buildings

• Service access unresolved

• Parking unresolved
Church Street

Issues:

• Pedestrian safety, crossing Church Street
• Quality of open space
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Science Center

Proposals:

• Landscape and path improvement to Olin lawn
• Elimination of service dock behind Davenport
Science Center

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• Open space connections through Science Center
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• Landscape and path improvement to Science Center

• Bridges over Church Street using existing grade of Olin Lawn
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• Bridges over Church Street using existing grade of Olin Lawn
• Church Street lowered, completion of Science/Olin quadrangle
• Reduced pedestrian use of Church Street
Issues:

• Connection to neighborhood and Butterfields
• Relationship to Church Street and Lawn Avenue
• Permeability, physical and visual connection to campus
• Phasing, use of existing Hall-Atwater and Shanklin
• Service
• Building interconnection
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Proposals:

• Phase 1 Science expansion, 97,000 GSF
• Removal of existing houses
• Defines connection between Butterfields and Campus Core
• Service area provided off Lawn Avenue
Science Center

Proposals:

• Phase 2 Science Expansion, 97,000 GSF
• Renovation of Shanklin
• Total of 194,000 GSF
• Upper story connection to Science Center
• Exterior corridor connection to Core Campus
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• Renovation of existing science buildings
• Retain existing houses
• Reduced rear science quadrangle
Science Center

Proposals:

• Phase 2 Science Expansion, 90,000 GSF
• Renovation/replacement of existing Science Center
• Total of 162,000 GSF
• Improved quality of open space and relationship to Olin
• Science building as prominent building on campus
Science Center

Proposals:

• Science Expansion to West of existing Tower, 150,000 GSF
• Removal of existing houses
• Difficult topography
• New building as gateway to campus along Church Street
• Creation of exterior connection to future housing
Science Center
Precinct 1 Phases
Existing Conditions
Phase 2
Phase 3
Phase 4
Phase 5