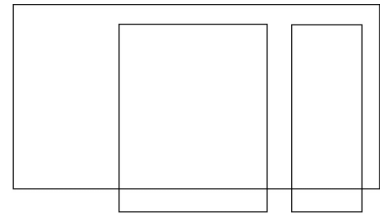
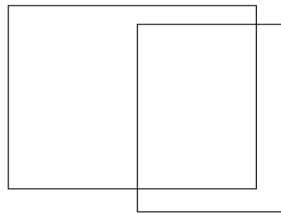
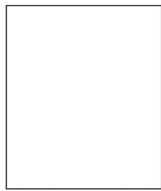




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**MEETING NOTES**

<b>Project:</b>	<i>University of Washington Tacoma Master Plan Update</i>	<b>Project #:</b>	<i>07308.00</i>
<b>Subject:</b>	<i>Open Forum Meeting Notes</i>	<b>Date:</b>	<i>January 16, 2008</i>
<b>Mtg Leaders:</b>	<i>Milt Tremblay, UWT Facilities Director Ysabel Trinidad, UWT Vice Chancellor Lee Copeland, Mithun Elisabeth Goldstein, Mithun</i>	<b>Time:</b>	<i>12:45 pm – 1:45 pm Cherry Parkes 108</i>

*With the enrollment of freshmen and sophomores, UW Tacoma is transitioning into a 4-year full service institution. UW Tacoma is updating its Master Plan to reflect the new direction for the campus.*

*The master planning process is currently in an information-gathering phase, and the Master Plan Team (UW Tacoma Administrators and Mithun) led an open forum to learn about what the campus community values and envisions for UW Tacoma as it grows. Attendees included students, faculty, staff, and members of the neighboring communities.*

*Three questions were posed to the attendees:*

- What do you most value about UW Tacoma?*
- What should be improved?*
- What is your future vision for UW Tacoma?*

*The responses are listed below:*

**What do you most value about UW Tacoma?**

- *Community relationship*
  - *Internships for students*
  - *Good relationship with local government*
  - *Marriage of retail with campus*
  - *Community pride in having a local college*
  - *Conferences/events for local businesses*
- *Historic architecture*
- *LEED-certified buildings/commitment to sustainability*
- *Location - in the center of Tacoma*
- *Small classes*
- *Sightlines/view corridors*

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### What should be improved?

- *Parking*
  - *There's not enough*
  - *Time restrictions are too strict*
  - *Where should add'l parking go?*
- *A few terrible classrooms*
  - *Pillars in the middle of the room*
- *Public transportation*
  - *Reduce cars on the campus*
- *The campus needs more green space*
  - *Think 'green'*
    - *Native plants*
    - *Natural learning environment*
- *Student life/activities*
  - *Hard to find/reach*
  - *The Mattress Factory doesn't work*
- *Accessibility*
  - *It is difficult to move around campus with rolling carts*
  - *Using wheels past Jefferson is difficult*
  - *The campus should provide access for skateboarding*
- *The campus is not growing on par with projected growth*
- *Pedestrian circulation*
  - *It is difficult to cross Jefferson to get to Pinkerton*
  - *Sightlines for drivers and pedestrians are limited on hills*
  - *A few cars have driven onto the 19<sup>th</sup> Street stairs*
  - *The railroad track is unsafe for pedestrians*
- *Overgrowth of landscape/foilage blocks views and sightlines*
- *Signage/Wayfinding*
  - *It is difficult to find campus from the freeway (no signage)*

### What is your future vision for UW Tacoma?

- *Porous borders*
  - *Integration of campus and community*
  - *Continue urban campus feel*
  - *An urban campus should have traffic flowing through it*
- *Maintain quality of the architecture*
  - *The older buildings should be congruent with the new buildings*
- *Provide more 'Hang-out' spaces*
  - *Green space*
  - *Recreation space*
  - *An indoor social place*
  - *A faculty gathering space*
  - *Swimming pool*
  - *Provide spaces for vendors to lease*
- *The campus should respond appropriately to its vision and provide the facilities and spaces to support it*
- *Improve campus safety*
  - *Maintain a porous border without compromising campus safety*
- *Provide more public open space*
  - *Multi-use, park-like space*
- *Make UW Tacoma a destination and landmark for the community*
- *Signage/wayfinding should be integrated with the urban quality of the campus*
- *The small class sizes, character and relative scale of the campus should be maintained as the campus grows*
- *Continue to work with the 2-year programs that transfer into UWT*
- *Extend light rail hours*
- *Co-locate student services*