2.0 The Campus Today

This section describes the main features of the existing campus and associated land holdings: the buildings and the units they house, landscape and infrastructure.
2.1 The University’s Location in Regina

The University has three land holdings within Wascana Centre: Main Campus, College Avenue Campus, and Wascana East University Expansion.

The South East part of Wascana Centre is developing into a “Knowledge Corridor” in which separate but interconnected institutions are housed: the University of Regina, the First Nations University of Canada (FNUniv), Saskatchewan Polytechnic (SaskPoly), and Innovation Place Research Park. Further studies and Master Planning of this area are currently in progress by these four partners in concert with the Wascana Centre Authority, City of Regina, Saskatchewan Ministry of Central Services, and the Provincial Department, SaskLearning Advanced Education.
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The College Avenue Campus

The College Avenue Campus is approximately 21 acres (8.5 hectares) and contains four buildings, three of which are linked together:

- **College Building** (1912; 60,500 sq.ft. (5,620 sq.m.)), housing the Centre for Continuing Education;

- **Conservatory** (1916; 33,100 sq.ft. (3,075 sq.m.)), housing the Conservatory of Performing Arts;

- **Gallery Building** (1953 and 1957; 20,500 sq.ft. (1,904 sq.m.)), housing the Life Long Learning Seniors Education Centre, and Johnson-Shoyama Graduate School of Public Policy; and

- **Darke Hall** (1928 and 1963; 26,500 sq.ft. (2,462 sq.m.)), containing a recital hall/performance theatre and practice rooms.

These are for the most part heritage buildings, clad in brick, in a collegiate Gothic style, surrounded by generous treed grounds. The large parking lot to the south of the buildings is slightly depressed and surrounded by landscaping which conceals the cars, so that the lot, although large, is well-integrated into the landscape.
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The Main Campus

The Main Campus lands north and east of Wascana Parkway are approximately 270 acres (110 hectares) in extent. Most of the campus buildings and parking lots are contained within the University Drive loop on approximately 90 acres (36 hectares); the fields take up about 25 acres (10 hectares), the Innovation Place Research Park Phase One area is about 86 acres (35 hectares) and the FNUniv land about 30 acres (12 hectares).

The buildings within the University Drive loop form a rough circle around an open space called the Academic Green. Working counter-clockwise from the north-east side of the Main Campus, they are:

- **Kisik Towers** (Completed 2015; 319,500 sq. ft. (29,700 sq.m.)), the first building in the Residential Precinct. Includes 600 beds of student housing, as well as a 90 child daycare, and 140 vehicle below-grade parking structure.

- **The Language Institute** (1991; 74,600 sq.ft. (6,930 sq.m.)), consisting of a two-storey base and six-storey residence tower above, clad in Tyndall stone. It contains offices, seminar rooms, a theatre, dormitory rooms, and a cafeteria to serve residence students and others.

- **Administration Humanities Building** (1973; 110,000 sq.ft. (10,220 sq.m.)), four storeys over a one-storey podium base, clad in pre-cast concrete, containing offices and seminar rooms surrounding an interior atrium space. It houses the main administrative offices of the University, the Faculty of Graduate Studies and Research, a number of departments of the Faculty of Arts, and Printing Services.

- **The Dr. John Archer Library** (1968; 137,800 sq.ft. (12,800 sq.m.)), four storeys over a podium base with a central two-storey reading room. This is one of the original Yamasaki buildings, of a stripped down, faintly stylized Gothic-inspired “modern” style.

- **Classroom Building and Lecture Hall** (1965; 119,500 sq.ft. (11,100 sq.m.)), three storeys over a one-storey podium in similar architectural style and cladding to the Library. It houses lecture theatres, computer labs, and the main offices and a number of departments of the Faculty of Arts.

- **Laboratory Building** (1965; 137,800 sq.ft. (12,800 sq.m.)), three storeys over a one-storey podium in similar architectural style and cladding to the Library. It houses the main offices and a number of departments of the Faculty of Science, as well as classrooms.

- **Research and Innovation Centre** (2008; 168,500 sq.ft. (15,650 sq.m.)), housing wet labs, dry labs and a lecture theatre. Primarily occupied by the Faculties of Science, Engineering, Arts and Nursing.

- **College West** (1973; 240,300 sq.ft. (22,325 sq.m.)), a six-storey brown brick clad building, housing the College West Residence on the upper floors, and on the lower floors several departments of the Faculty of Science, the University Bookstore, the University Club, the Saskatchewan Police College, Parking Services, and the Gabriel Dumont Institute.
Plan of Proposed Main Campus and Innovation Place as of 2014. Toned Buildings are existing, white buildings are proposed by 2011 Master Plan.
• **Day Care Centre** (1993; 6,400 sq.ft. (595 sq.m.)), a one-storey residential style building housing the Wascana Daycare cooperative. The daycare has undergone a major renovation in 2015/2016.

• **Dr. William Riddell Centre** (1996; 282,000 sq.ft. (26,200 sq.m.)), a two-storey pre-cast concrete and glass building, the main social hub of the campus, housing a food court and commercial spaces, the Students’ Union, many Student Service offices, and the Faculty of Fine Arts, including both an “environmental” and a proscenium theatre, with parking for 100 cars.

• **Education Building** (1969; 225,300 sq.ft. (20,930 sq.m.)) plus in 2002 a 5th and 6th storey; 68,000 sq.ft. (6,300 sq.m); totaling 293,300 (27,230), five storeys above a one-storey podium; upper storeys clad in light pre-cast concrete, lower podium base clad in exposed aggregate concrete. This building houses the Faculties of Education, Engineering, Administration, and Social Work; Information Services; the Department of Media Production and Studies; AV Services; classrooms; and a large auditorium.

• **Centre for Kinesiology, Health and Sport-CKHS** (2004; 260,000 sq.ft. (24,150 sq.m.)) two-storey metal panel and glass building with a triple gym with spectator seating, classrooms, laboratories, lecture theatres, a running track, the Dr. Paul Schwann Centre, sports medicine, physiotherapy, movement studios, and 204 car parking.

• **Physical Activity Centre** (1967; 95,600 sq ft. (8,880 sq.m.)), two-storey high volume building clad in pre-cast concrete. It appears as a “box” over a one-storey podium. This building houses the Faculty of Kinesiology and Health Studies, including gymnasia and pool.

• **Paskwaw and Wakpa Towers** (2004; 317,500 sq.ft. (29,500 sq.m.)), are finished externally with buff and grey, split face Tyndall stone, featuring glazed tower corners and pedestrian concourse. Two twelve-storey towers, connected with an underground pedestrian concourse, flanked by five storey north, south and east wings, housing 692 residence beds in apartments and dorm rooms. The north-south wings curve to reflect the shape of the Academic Green promenade.

• **Campion College** (1967; 61,700 sq.ft. (5,730 sq.m.)), four storeys over one-storey podium clad in pre-cast and in situ concrete. It houses Campion College, a Jesuit College federated with the University.

• **Luther College** (1971 plus extension 1991; 113,400 sq.ft. (10,535 sq.m.)), two and four storey complex housing a residence, cafeteria and Luther College, a Lutheran college federated with the University.

• **First Nations University of Canada** (2003; 140,000 sq.ft. (13,000 sq.m.)) unique, curvilinear, cantilevered terraced four storey building housing the First Nations University of Canada, designed by Douglas Cardinal. Exterior clad in split-face Tyndall Stone.

• **Central Heating Plant** (1967; 28,800 sq.ft. (2,675 sq.m.)), distinctive and architectural award-winning pitched-roof building housing the central heating and cooling equipment for the campus.

• **Emergency Energy Centre** (2004; 4210sq.ft. (391 sq.m.)) one and a half-storey building housing four generators.

• **Maintenance Building** (1972; 38,700 sq.ft. (3,595 sq.m.)), and Greenhouse Gas Technology Centre (2002; 35,000 sq.ft. (3,250 sq.m)), three-tiered glass and metal-clad addition on the west end of a one-storey brick building partially depressed into the grade on the north side. It houses Facilities Management, including Central Receiving, and Greenhouse Gas Technology Centre labs and offices.
• Student Engineering Garage (1992; 1,300 sq.ft. (120 sq.m.)), for student research.

• ISM Building, Innovation Place (1990; 86,200 sq.ft. (8,010 sq.m.)), two-storey “high-tech” glass and aluminum building housing Information Systems Management offices. This was the initial building in the University’s research park.

• Two Research Drive, Innovation Place (1994 and 2008; 71,000 sq.ft. (6,600 sq.m.)), three-storey “high-tech” glass and aluminum frame building housing a number of small research entities.

• Petroleum Technology Research Centre, Innovation Place (2000; 70,000 sq.ft. (6,500 sq.m.)), three-storey Tyndall stone and metal clad office/laboratory/pilot plant facility houses the Saskatchewan Research Council, a number of University of Regina institutions, and the PTRC.

• Titanium Building, Innovation Place (2004; 4250 sq.ft. (395 sq.m.)), three-storey metal clad pilot plant facility housing the Titanium Corporation Inc.

• The Terrace, Innovation Place (2000; 124,000 sq.ft. (11,500 sq.m.) a three-storey Tyndall stone clad building, with a unique central glass Rotunda reaching almost four stories in height to a large round skylight. It is a multi-tenant, multi-purpose building focused on the information technology industry. It is the focal point and signature building of Innovation Place.

• Saskatchewan Disease Control Laboratory, Innovation Place (2010; 113,000 sq.ft. (10,500 sq.m.)). The SDCL building was constructed for the Ministry of Government Services and the Ministry of Health. The four story building houses collaborative work spaces, flexible lab environments, and sustainable design.
View South of Main Campus: 1970s (top); 2014 (bottom: credit: Bryan Schlosser, Leader-Post-files
Campus Infrastructure

The campus infrastructure consists of roads, paths and underground utilities including piped steam for heating and chilled water for cooling, water, gas, sanitary sewers, and storm drainage.

- **Road Systems**: The campus is served by two primary roads: the looped perimeter University Drive north, east, south and west, and Research Drive. Secondary routes feed into parking lots and building entrances.

- **Paths**: The path system within the main campus area provides a number of pedestrian routes between building entrances and other destinations. Some roads have sidewalks, many do not. There is also a trail system along the lakefront which connects into the larger Wascana Centre trails.

- **Heating/Cooling Service Tunnels**: A tunnel system extends from the central heating plant to service most of the campus buildings.

Existing Campus Roads and Parking
• **Storm Drainage:** The main campus drains through two trunk lines directly into Wascana Lake and does not interconnect with the City system. The lake therefore acts as a storm water management facility.

• **Sanitary Sewers:** The main campus system ties into the City system on the west side. The College Avenue Campus system ties into the City system on College Avenue.

• **Utility “Corridors”:** The major underground utility corridors parallel the west, north, east and south drives. The west and south drives corridors also include a high-pressure natural gas line which should only be realigned if it would result in major campus planning benefits.
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Landscape

The University is located within Wascana Centre, which is one of the world’s foremost examples of an extensive planned landscaped development area. Parts of the campus were landscaped over fifty years ago in the initial enthusiasm at the establishment of Wascana Centre and are today great assets of the campus. These are the areas facing the lake and Wascana Parkway as well as, to a somewhat lesser extent, the treed areas south of Campion College and the surrounds to the fields and courts east of CKHS. In a 2002 joint project of the University of Regina and Wascana Centre Authority, extensive landscaping occurred as a result of 288 mature trees being relocated from the central campus areas to less developed landscaped areas, including the north-south pedestrian spine, University Drive South, East Loop Road, First Nations University of Canada, and Lot 17. Other relatively recent landscapes of note are the entrance garden to the Riddell Centre, the Research Park Drive streetscape, and the Academic Green and Residence landscapes.
Existing Main Campus: Valued Landscapes

Established Landscapes
Mature Landscapes
Pedestrian Concourse System

The drawings above and on the next page show the ground and podium level pedestrian concourse system of all the buildings within the University Drive perimeter road. This provides a sense of the interior connective system, as well as the relationship of the building interior with the exterior. The Residence buildings are connected below grade to allow emergency access into the Academic Green.
Other University Facilities

- **Technology Development Centre**
  (Grant Road Fire hall transferred to University in 1991; 6,600 sq.ft. (613 sq.m.)), one-storey timber construction; an incubator research facility accommodating University Research Facilities.

- **Community Education Centres**
  - **Saskatoon** (3000 sq.ft. (280 sq.m.), leased in Innovation Place University of Saskatchewan),
  - **Prince Albert** (2000 sq.ft. (185 sq.m.), leased in Woodland Academic Centre, SaskPoly), off-campus locations for the Faculty of Social Work. They house offices, classrooms, and communications labs.

- **Cypress Hills Field Research Station**
  - near Fort Walsh National Historic Site (1973; 1640 sq.ft. (150 sq.m.)), three University trailers on leased Saskatchewan Government land house a wet lab and living accommodations.