

WESTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

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Fiscal Year 2010 Master Plan Update

Background

The Western Illinois University Board of Trustees approved *Campus Master Plans* for the Macomb and Quad Cities Campuses in March 2007 and June 2006, respectively. Both *Campus Master Plans* identify the general (macro) parameters for the future physical development of new and existing facilities, grounds, technology, and infrastructure to support the academic mission and service operations of Western Illinois University.

The University has also developed specific implementation plans that are carefully aligned to *Campus Master Plans*. These component plans include the *University Housing and Dining Master Plan*, *Target Western Forward* plan for athletic facilities, *Institutional Strategic Plan for Technology*, and the *Utilities and Infrastructure Master Plan*.

With both *Campus Master Plans* and component plans, the University has a strong history of achieving its goals. This report, the fourth in an annual series of *Campus Master Plan Updates*,

computing facilities on the Quad Cities campus. The Caxton Block building, which began operations in 2009, features all new computers, and students in Museum Studies are supported with laptop computers in a mobile computing environment at the Figge Art Museum.

Fiscal Year 2009 was the third year of a multi-year commitment to develop and maintain faculty computers on a four- year rotation cycle. When this program was established there was a 26-year range between the oldest (1981) and newest (2007) operable faculty computers. Moreover, 382 faculty computers were purchased prior to 2000.

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In support of its 20 intercollegiate Division I athletic teams, serving over 500 student-athletes and members of the campus and external communities, the student-athlete study area was renovated and the baseball outfield drainage system was completed. Current projects in occurring as a Result of the *Target Western Forward* include renovation/expansion of athletic training facilities and Olympic Sport Locker Rooms in Western and Brophy Halls. Also in design are the west side of the Football Stadium (press box, suites, offices, academic support space, classroom space) and construction of Women's Staff Locker Room.

In summary, _____ has produced many benefits for Western Illinois University and our host communities. We continue to support a learner-centered campus, with commitments to aesthetics, environmental sustainability, utility and technology infrastructure, community interface, flexibility, and the promotion of a positive student experience. We will continue to use *Campus Master Plans* to identify the general parameters for the future physical development of new and existing facilities, grounds, technology, and infrastructure to support our academic mission and service operations. The Board will receive its next Master Plan Update in December 2010.