Focus > Facilities & Quality of Campus Life

Having the proper human resources is a major part of a successful university; however, people will not reach their potential in an environment that is not innovative and supportive. To continue construction and renovation projects on and around campus and enhance the living environment, LSU will take the following actions.

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ACTIONS

- Increase effectiveness of programs and services that support student, faculty, staff, and administrator success.
- Increase diversity and inclusiveness of LSU, with increased emphasis on recruiting and retaining minority students and faculty and providing a workplace free of intolerance or discrimination.
- Increase the quality of the working, learning, and living environment.

OUTCOMES

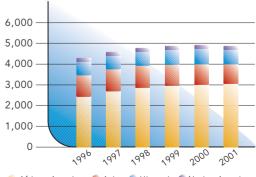
- LSU will receive national recognition as an innovative and competitive working/learning environment for outstanding students, faculty, and staff.
- LSU will have a more-diverse and inclusive community, increasing the population of minority students, faculty, and staff and increasing under-represented populations in upper administrative and faculty ranks.
- LSU will have new and renovated facilities—including residence halls, classroom/laboratory spaces, recreational spaces, and landscaping—that will be funded in strategic areas, in concurrence with the campus Master Plan.

As part of the 75th anniversary celebration on its current campus, the University unveiled preliminary designs for the future development of the campus. This Master Plan will guide the growth of the University, preserve the pedestrian experience, and improve transit through campus. The plan allows the University to wisely forecast growth of new and renovated research and instructional facilities, an area in which LSU's peers average 54 percent more square footage. Better laboratories and classrooms correspond to the Flagship Agenda's goal of higher research productivity and advanced learning environments.

In a series of cooperative agreements with the city of Baton Rouge, the state, and the federal government, focus has been placed on areas beyond the campus that are undergoing redevelopments. This will improve the campus life experience, while connecting the campus to the larger community. Through on-campus planning and off-campus cooperation, the LSU environment can be competitively innovative and supportive.

Updates

- Cyber cafés for students have been created in Pentagon and Laville Halls.
- Multimedia installations have been completed in more than 100 of our 225 general-use classrooms.
- Desktop access to the Web of Science across the campus represents a powerful provision of bibliographic resources for scholarship for faculty and students.
- Residential Life has completed a \$5.5 million project, bringing high-speed Internet access to every room in LSU's residence halls.
- Recent private-public partnerships on campus include East Campus Apartments, the Tiger Stadium expansion, the LSU Bookstore renovation, the Alumni Association's Cook Conference Center & Hotel, the Reilly Theatre, and renovation of the Gym-Armory to house the Cox Communications Academic Center for Student-Athletes.



LSU Enrollment Diversity, 1996-2002

