

8 recreation and open space

GOAL 1: It is the goal of the University to ensure appropriate provision of recreation and open space on campus to meet University needs. To this end, the plan established specific planning principles early in the master planning process that relate to recreation and open space:

ENHANCE THE LIVING/LEARNING ENVIRONMENT

- Create a more residential character for Boca Raton and Jupiter Campuses
- Expand facilities and services to enhance student life and embrace diversity
- Enhance the open space network for activities to invigorate campus life

PROMOTE ATHLETICS EXCELLENCE + WELLNESS

- Increase competitiveness in Directors Cup to enhance FAU pride and identity
- Expand recreational facilities to promote holistic growth
- Enhance community engagement on campus through the fan experience and recreational opportunities

In support of the above goals, the plan proposes a long term land use concept that creates a north-south greenway as an organizing element for future campus expansion and as an iconic campus space. Additionally, the plan proposes reinforcement and enhancement to existing open spaces such as the Alumni Plaza area and spaces adjacent to the Breezeway and Diversity Way. The plan also suggests expanding outdoor recreation areas in concert with on-campus housing growth. Moreover, a perimeter walking and biking path is proposed to connect campus with community pedestrian and biking networks as well as walking paths in and around the conservation area. See Landscape component for additional information regarding open space.

Objective 1A: Maintain access for students and surrounding community to recreation facilities and provide additional outdoor recreation space as enrollment and on campus housing increases.

Objective 1B: Expand bike and walking trails as indicated in the plan to promote multi-modal circulation and enhance campus connectivity. Allow for bicycle route connections from the bike storage areas to major destinations and to the existing bike trails around the campus.



LEGEND

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Figure 8.1 Recreation and Open Space