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All aspects of the Plan are guided by the following seven planning principles related to teaching, research and public life. These principles were derived from a comprehensive process involving the assessment of existing campus conditions, a determination of desired future conditions, and extensive consultation with University and community stakeholders. Together, these principles were formulated to guide the planning for future physical growth, development, and operation of the campus.

A lively campus; a magnet for student, faculty, staff and public life.
- Compact campus centers to intensify student presence on campus.
- Create opportunities for interdisciplinary research and collaboration.
- Develop a strong sense of entry and establish a distinct sense of place that is tied to City and State.
- Provide adequate athletics, intramural, and recreational facilities.

State of the art facilities to support the University’s mission for teaching, research and public life.
- Address growth needs of the campus, especially the Health Sciences Center.
- Establish guidelines for future development of the Golf Course and Research Park.
- Improve the quality of housing through renovation, replacement, and new construction.

A setting to foster interdisciplinary collaboration and interaction.
- Foster the synergy between research and teaching with facilities that promote collaboration and interaction.
- Provide indoor and outdoor spaces for students to study and interact with each other.

Campus as a destination for the public.
- Encourage the public to participate in a wide range of university activities, including the arts, athletics, recreation, clinical and academic programs.
- Provide adequate facilities to support public activity, including parking and other services.
- Cooperate with Salt Lake City and other local services to establish a vibrant and engaging campus experience.

Functional and sustainable transportation systems.
- Improve walkability and universal access.
- Improve accessibility to transit and continue to promote alternative modes of transportation.
- Enhance routes to better support bicycling on campus.
- Improve the efficiency of shuttle bus systems.
- Clarify vehicular circulation network, especially at Health Science Campus.
- Establish a more efficient and effective parking strategy.
- Improve signage to promote safety and way-finding.

Capitalize on the natural landscape setting.
- Create smart open space and promote the intelligent use of landscape.
- Preserve significant views into, within and from the campus, including views to the Wasatch Mountains and Valley.
- Create a network of open spaces that improves campus connectivity and provides access to nature.
- Reduce the visual and physical impact of surface parking.

Leaders in environmental stewardship.
- Integrate the principles of environmental, social and economic sustainability into campus planning, design and operations.
- Promote the stewardship of campus lands and resources.