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Question 3 - What physical or environmental changes are needed to enhance the experiences of students, faculty, staff, alumni, annuitants and visitors?

Our campus is moving towards being green, and they have worked hard and come a long way, but still have a long way to go.

Our heating/cooling system in our building is troublesome. It is a huge waste of energy. I have heard these complaints from employees in many areas across campus.

More green space.

Efficient use of utilities, repair/maintenance, existing new buildings?

Rid campus of ivy – it is damaging buildings, characteristics of University.

The Bone Student Center needs to be updated.

Redbird Arena should be utilized more for non-athletic events. (ie. Concerts).

There should be more spaces available for large group reservations/banquets/conferences/etc.

Enhance experiences.

Better signage on campus, both walking and driving.

Try to concentrate growth as centrally as possible.

Parking.

Make DeGarmo Hall look more like the rest of campus.

Try to keep historical buildings in place.

Design new buildings to last for generations.

Provide an easy way for older folks to be able to enjoy the campus even though they may not be able to walk as far as they once could.

Safety, open campus style.

Lighting, seeing the campus all day.

Greenery maintained and enhanced.

Continued focus on sustainability, including the Fell Arboretum and access to the Quad.

More green space if possible.

Easier routes to buildings-perhaps using bridges over streets.

More trees along major streets to beautify the campus.

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I would like to see more green space on campus and more room for students to meet, sit, study, socialize outside, more benches in conducive locations, more room for frisbee and other outdoor activities other than just the Quad.

Retain familiar spaces for alumni to return.

There needs to be more social community spaces for students to hang out, meet new people, have alternative options to parties in the evening. Currently students use Milner Library and as of late the Bone Student Center, but there are not a lot of other options... campus pub, games area, etc.

Increased building safety and security during the later hours (i.e. card access to buildings).

More parking for all campus communities.

More on campus housing once South campus is gone.

We need more employee only parking lots.

The Bone Student Center needs a renovated catering department. Everything needs to be in one location. There is not enough storage space for all of our needs, especially decorations that are used in every event. We need one central location that is easily accessible to all events.

More parking spaces for the vehicles (service in the Bone Student Center).

New loading dock!

Need more student opportunities for lounge space.

More community areas.

Refurbished, more-inviting space.

Everyone is going "green" . This enhances the quality of life. However, all green items are not free. The costs are often hidden as are the true rewards. Proceed with caution and variety the dollars prior to committing totally. Do all the "cheap" green items you can.

More natural light in buildings; this saves money.

Maintenance of existing green space and expansion where possible.

More sustainable transportation planning including pedestrian and transit amenities.

Would love to see use of renewable energy and "green buildings".

Maintain compact campus feel while 'opening' up to areas along Main Street and Uptown Normal.

Alumni Center is very nice, but having so far from campus is a bit puzzling and should not be a precedent for future campus buildings.

Safe passages over busy intersections on College Avenue by East Campus residence halls.

Create hocotian on campus where students can gather to show unity (i.e. statues, Reggie, Hovey, Fell).

Signage that indicates what departments are in which buildings and once you are in a building, who is there and where they are.

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Move Metcalf School and rebuild in Gregory Street property.

Renovate Metcalf School into academic classrooms.

Revisit retirement villages concept for Gregory Street/ISU farm space.

Move President's house to northwest end of golf course (5th tee becomes first tee) and convert current house into clubhouse for increased parking, driving range, retail/club fitting facility.

Pedestrian overpasses over dangerous roadways (Over University Street linking Bone Student Center and Student Service building, College Avenue and School Street, Hewett/Manchester to Watterson Commons).

Community garden.

Nature preserve.

Signage for green features in building and grounds.

Cleaner- both inside and outside buildings.

Ugly buildings – DeGarmo Hall and School Street side of Hovey Hall.

Consider creating ECO roofs on future residence halls and new construction.

Consider bioswale in contract, open and planted with local vegetation with 800 pound underground tanks to provide water to first floor of building, flushing all the toilets.

More bicycle racks.

Work with Town of Normal to create bike lanes on corridor streets

Reduce the number of single-occupant vehicles on campus.

Plan for street car access, park and rides, etc.

Would like thought to be given to location of handicapped parking spaces in relation to all buildings on campus, particularly to the entrance of buildings.

Welcome center.

Campus entrances.

More centered recreational activities that engage the community outside the classroom should be inviting and welcoming.

Themed banner identification.

Hovey Hall needs a more obvious presence for those visiting or directional specifics that are valuable.

Identified campus walking paths-good lighting and helpful signage.

More pedestrian paths without traffic concerns.

Parking in locations that support activities occurring in buildings.

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Active Design Living Principles.

Enhanced walking paths throughout campus and Uptown Normal.

Conduct assessment of which buildings do not have accessible entrances such as John Green and others. Put these locations on an accessibility plan entrance.

Better parking for Watterson Towers.

Building for online coursework.

More student center attractions in the Bone Student Center

Make Bone Student Center more of atmosphere for students. (e.g. a place to gather).

Make history of IS(N)U more apparent in Bone Student Center, Milner Library, Hovey Hall, and other common places.

Make Bone Student Center a place for alumni to use when visiting campus.

A more welcoming student center with better services, more light, and comfortable seating.

More commitment to green development.

Wireless internet available on campus everywhere.

Smaller deli-style dining centers to drop in for breakfast or lunch where meal plan can be used.

If you want to be more inviting, need to make parking options available for them.

Keep green spaces on campus; these are great!

Bus system is great but needs to be expanded even more.

Attract alumni, faculty, staff, and annuitants with price breaks or deals to become involved.

Enhanced athletic venues, specifically Horton Field house.

More welcoming student center-more chain restaurants that students see throughout the community.

The Alumni Center complex, remove Walgreens tenants to create a welcoming center for campus.

Lights and complex for intramurals; this will enhance the student experience.

Transportation to Gregory Street Property.

Enhanced Outdoor Adventure Complex.

More integration of campus and Uptown Normal.

Gateway.

True wireless access across campus (not just hotspots).

Outdoor amphitheater (similar to Old Commencement space).

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Formal gathering space for students.

Redo of west campus drive/residence hall area landscape.

Recycling containers-needed and great but do not add to physical appearance inside buildings or outside.

Updated court surface in Horton Field House.

ISU welcome signage.

Alumni Center on campus.

More traditions for ISU students and alumni.

Utilizing current Student Recreation Building activity spaces as satellite recreation facility (offices can be utilized by another Department).

Sand volleyball and basketball courts (outdoor).