

**THE PROJECT**

The Furman University campus has been in its present location since the late 1950s. The University had followed the original campus plan until 1997, when a new planning cycle was initiated to address current matters in need of clarity and definition, as well as future needs. DOBER LIDSKY MATHEY (DLM) helped the University develop a comprehensive campus plan and a process for its implementation.

**CHALLENGE**

A Working Campus Plan was requested for this assignment as planning at Furman is vital, dynamic, and always evolving. This required a plan with great focus and direction for the future, but one that would be flexible over time. The process was highly participatory, consistent with the way planning is conducted at Furman.

**SOLUTION**

The planning process was inclusive and collegial involving faculty, students, and staff as well members of the Board of Trustees. All of the issues and concerns that were discussed were vetted and prioritized and became the planning agenda. Twenty-one projects were targeted, comprised of both building and site improvements. Facility proposals were verified by detailed facility programming studies and concept designs for reuses of buildings.

**RESULTS**

Since the plan's approval, most of the agenda items have been implemented or are in advanced planning stages. New studies are continuing. The plan has since been updated.



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