

Summary of brainstorming session conducted at the Public Forum held on November 18, 2004

The following is a summary of ideas that were expressed at a brainstorming session during a campus forum on November 18, 2004. The list is not intended to be exhaustive nor definitive, nor in priority order. Rather, the ideas should provide a stimulus for further thinking and proposals for how WWU might participate in the development on Bellingham's waterfront.

1. Academic Program Center

- K-12 activities (in combination with the community/Western internships/adventures – Lab School)
- Service Learning Center/Community Internship Center
- Center for Advanced Undergraduate Research
- Office of Survey Research
- Interdisciplinary Programs
- International Presence/programs
- Child Development Center
- Art Gallery (expand to include community events)
- General meeting spaces
- Conferences (Including Extended Education)
 - Continuing Professional Education
 - Academic/disciplinary meetings
- Teleconferencing Center/ Distance Education
- Production space (eg: make use of industrial space)
- Access/Parking

2. Public Interface – “Engaging the Community”

A. Multipurpose Event Center

- Center court for athletics: basketball, volleyball (with option for ice hockey)
- Other uses for court: large concerts, performances, graduations, conference displays, demonstrations
- General meeting spaces
 - collaborative space for student/community interaction (PAR)
 - alumni events activities/center
 - space for informal discussion – faculty interaction
- University Visitor Center
 - tie into service center (online access, registration)
- Coffee shop, food services
- Access/Parking

B. Arts & Design Center

- Theater Arts (scene shop, costumes)
- Arts Production Center
- Large performances, campus and community

- Museum/Galleries
 - VRI car museum
 - Art gallery (expand to include community events)
- Demonstration space for WWU products (industrial design, WWU vehicles)
- General meeting rooms
- Bookstore
- Coffee shop
- Access/Parking
- Amphitheater - outdoor performances

C. Environmental Center

- Environmental production center, labs
- General meeting rooms
- Interpretive center/museum
- Demonstration space
- Coffee shop
- Access/Parking

D. University Visitor Services Center

- Visitor Center
 - tie into center (online access, registration, parking)
- Bookstore
- Alumni events activities/center
- Coffee shop
- General meeting rooms
- Access/Parking

3. Campus Services Activities – Providing for Academic Program Growth on Campus

A. Multipurpose Center

- Combine with Athletics (arena) and PAC
- All large events
- Conferences
- General meeting spaces
- Large student activities
- Coffee shop
- Access/Parking

B. University Administrative Office Facility

- Foundation/alumni offices
- Teleconferencing center
- General meeting spaces
- Surge space
- Food service to meet needs
- Access/Parking

C. Campus Services Center

- Bookstore
- Outdoor Center
- University Visitor Center
- Alumni events activities/center
- Access/Parking

4. Housing

- Housing for specialized groups
 - Families
 - Premium housing
 - International Center housing
- Parking garage