The Florida Atlantic Master Plan consists of two volumes. Volume I contains the official Master Plan adopted by the Board of Trustees. That document contains a narrative and graphic description of the Master Plan plus the goals, objectives and policies required by the State University System’s Guidelines for the Comprehensive Master Plan System, updated January 1994 and by S. 1013.30 of the Florida State Statutes. These goals, objectives and policies are modeled after examples suggested by the Office of Capital Programs. This document entitled Volume II, Supporting Data, contains background information to the Campus Master Plan. This information consists primarily of the data and analysis documentation for all the elements as submitted in earlier deliverables.

Organization of Supporting Data, Volume 2

Following this Introduction is a series of divider tabs for each of the eighteen Elements in which the narrative information and supporting maps are presented. This document presents information primarily about the Davie Campus. Information about other FAU locations and Broward Community College is included for reference and comparison.

The Master Plan for the FAU Campus at Davie is a comprehensive document which fulfills the requirements set forth in S. 1013.30 and by Chapter 6C-21 of the Florida Administrative Code.

Master Planning Process

The master planning process for FAU is divided into two major parts: preparation of the draft master plan, and the state-wide review process leading to the adopted master plan. The preparation of the master plan followed the State University System’s Guidelines for the Comprehensive Campus Master Plan System updated January 1994, and occurred over four phases. The first phase, Inventory and Analysis, consisted of the master planning consultant working closely with the University staff to gather and analyze considerable information about the University’s programs, projected enrollments, facilities and grounds, and the host community conditions and needs. The second phase, Concept Design, involved intense on campus work sessions and design charrettes to develop a variety of scenarios from which the recommended scheme was derived. The Preliminary Master Plan, the third phase, took the recommended concept and developed it into the detailed plan and design charrettes were conducted with University representatives to develop the information and ideas. The fourth phase, the Final Master plan is split into two segments. The first segment has led to the preparation of the draft plan which was submitted for review by state, regional, and local governments and by agencies
and the general public. The conclusion of this review and the subsequent revision to the draft plan culminates with this publication of the Final Master Plan.

Discussion of the Davie Campus Master Planning Process

Davie Campus Planning Coordination
The FAU facilities are on land leased from Broward Community College (BCC) and are an integral part of BCC’s Central Campus. BCC has not revised its master plan in some time. The FAU Master Plan will need to interface with BCC to provide updated requirements to include BCC’s growth and interaction. BCC has unique challenges with storm water management and adequate parking accommodation as it looks toward growth by both institutions. As for FAU, growth on their existing Campus and acquisition of additional property has warranted a new Master Plan for the Campus for the first time since 1990. The aim of this study is to update and record information according to the Guidelines and to confirm or refine the layout to coincide with BCC development.

Davie Campus and the FAU Academic Mission
Florida Atlantic University has been designated by the State Legislature as the lead institution of higher learning in Broward County. As noted in the Academic mission element, FAU has adopted a “distributed structure” in recognition of the trend of urban universities to have multiple centers rather than a “main” campus and several “branches”. The distributed campuses like Davie are considered “partner” campuses. FAU offers complete undergraduate upper division and graduate programs in Broward County in the following colleges: Business, Education, Arts & Letters, Science, Engineering, Nursing, and Urban and Public Affairs.

FAU maintains multiple locations in Broward County: The FAU Downtown Campus in Ft. Lauderdale, the Davie Campus, and the Commercial Boulevard site in Ft. Lauderdale, as well as the SeaTeach Research Center in Dania Beach. The FAU Davie campus is located on the Central Campus of Broward Community College (BCC) in the Town of Davie, just a few miles west of the Ft. Lauderdale-Hollywood International Airport. At the Davie Campus, FAU offers undergraduate and graduate degree programs. An excellent example of the 2+2 system of community colleges and upper division university programs, students can now enter BCC at the Central campus as freshmen and graduate from FAU with undergraduate degrees in business, education, arts & letters, science, engineering, and nursing without changing locations.
South Florida Education Center
FAU Davie is part of a cluster of educational institutions called the South Florida Educational Center (SFEC). Founded in 1960 by the Town of Davie, the SFEC is a chartered corporation consisting of fourteen varied educational institutions gathered into a unique educational neighborhood. The member institutions include branch campuses for public universities – Florida Atlantic University (FAU), and the University of Florida’s Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences (IFAS); the main campus of Nova Southeasteren University; Broward Community College; William T. McFatter Vocational-Technical Center; the Florida Division of Forestry; Criminal Justice Institute; Instructional Television Center; The Broward Fire Academy and Broward County’s Nova Elementary, Middle, and High Schools. According to SFEC literature, more than 30,000 people are daily participants in the educational and research pursuits of these institutions. The SFEC is the Town’s largest employer and heavily impacts the Downtown Davie business community.
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