

## Foreword

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The University of Oregon is fortunate to have such a rich cultural heritage represented by its collection of buildings and landscapes spanning its 125-year history. The university has made great strides in identifying and preserving its historically significant resources. However, until this plan was completed its most significant character-defining campus feature—the open-space framework—had not been given the attention it deserves.

The University of Oregon Planning Office was fortunate enough to receive a Getty Foundation Campus Heritage grant that enabled the university to develop the Heritage Landscape Plan. The university is one of just eleven universities nationwide to receive the grant in 2005.

It is essential that we learn from the successes of our historic open spaces and plan for future growth in a way that creates a cohesive campus environment. This plan is designed to ensure that the university's cultural heritage is not lost as change and development inevitably occur to meet the university's needs. It supports the university's policy to preserve and enhance the historic open-space framework as stated in the Campus Plan.

The cooperative teamwork of faculty, staff, and students along with a team of professional consultants made this project a unique and resounding success. The strong educational component in its production was mutually beneficial to the students and the project.

As so eloquently stated in "The Campus Beautiful" in the 1920 Oregon yearbook:

An abundance of trees, attractively grouped, pathways and lanes between the various buildings, shrubbery of different kinds, and always flowers in their appropriate seasons, enable the Oregon campus to have a distinction peculiar to itself.

This rings as true today as it did over eighty years ago.



*1910 image within the Old Campus Quadrangle.*