

CRESCENT GREEN AND PALAMOUNTAIN GREEN

We believe shaping open space creatively is the key to the growth of the campus. Open space is the fabric of a campus, with landscaping, structures and circulation woven in to create both beauty and utility. We propose to create a new open space we call Crescent Green and to reclaim another we call Palamountain Green.

The land enclosed by the new North Loop Road slopes gently to the east. Its boundaries give it a long narrow shape. The **Crescent Green** we show here is very similar in design to Case Green: a long narrow green space formed by low buildings. Ford and Zisman followed a long and almost universal tradition of organizing their buildings on a rectilinear pattern. We propose to break from this tradition and shape the open space as a crescent with one side gently curving and the other straight. This not only

follows the lay of the land but more importantly adds to the diversity of open space on campus. We further propose a generous covered colonnade the full length of the east or curving side of the green, similar to the colonnade at Case Green.

Palamountain Green already exists as parking. As the campus shifts north, we propose to shift parking north, too, allowing Palamountain Hall to have a welcoming green - a proper front door for the campus. Depending on parking needs in the early to mid-21st century, parking could be built under the future buildings and on lots on the Loop side.

Crescent and Palamountain Greens together help tie the new, northern part of the campus back to the core. In time, as both are developed and their landscaping matures, they will be memorable additions to the campus, second only to Case Green.



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A Closer Look