



ESTABLISHING THE 'LUNGS' OF UTS CITY CAMPUS

External and Internal Streets

To create legibility in the dense external and internal spaces that comprise much of the campus, the Concept Plan proposes to create a number of significant new external and internal streets and connections:

- Jones Street forms a link between the Mary Ann Street Reserve and Balfour Park in the new Frasers' development.
- New colonnade on the northern side of Alumni Green to accentuate the link across the Green between Building 10 and Building 4. A new external stair down to the entrance of the gym and new multi-purpose hall is proposed in the Green on this pedestrian path.
- New colonnade along the northern face of the renovated Building 2, to provide amenity to the building, and to accentuate and shelter entries to the new Learning Commons, food court and student commons.
- Major new internal street running east/west. This street begins at the ground level of the UPN, and proposes a new connection through Building 6 at Level 3 rather than the current vertical circulation. This would extend across Harris Street at grade through Turner Lane past the new ground level retail facilities in Bon Marche, connecting into Building 1 at Level 3, and then linking straight through to Alumni Green, or continuing through Building 2 to the new Learning Commons entrance, and on to Jones Street, through the new Broadway building, and out at the corner of Wattle Street and Broadway.
- New clear link through Building 1 from the Broadway entrance, across Alumni Green and through a new portal/gateway to Thomas Street created by the Thomas Street building connection to Building 4.
- New laneway/pedestrian connection to the Loft Bar and new cinema linking into the side of Building 1 and Turner Lane.

Jones Street

Jones Street has the potential to create a very significant space for UTS. In conjunction with the current northern closure of Jones St through the Sydney Institute and the link to the new Frasers' development to the south, it will become a major new pedestrian pathway.

It will be an environment of high circulation as it becomes a key thoroughfare, and will provide a significant new southern entrance to the campus for those approaching by bus and on foot from the west, as well as a potential vehicular drop-off point from Thomas Street to the north.

The new building facades need to engage with the street at ground level, allow entry into them, and provide amenity and retail opportunities to encourage habitation of its edges.

The four UTS buildings that bound either side of Jones Street will have entries off it – the existing Building 10, the new Thomas Street

and Broadway buildings, and the relocated Learning Commons in Building 2. It is also, importantly, the entry into Alumni Green, the green centre of the campus. It should become a significant garden and ceremonial entrance into this centre for events and formal ceremonies such as graduations. It is UTS's new 'green gateway'.

Pedestrian Amenity

The Concept Plan recommends providing shelter at building entries and colonnades or awnings where new and existing campus buildings flank University public spaces and public streets.

UPN

As noted above, the UPN can become a more significant new entry to the Broadway precinct. With a new connection through Building 6, which would also connect to the student housing tower entry, a more direct access through to Harris Street becomes possible.

Hubs and Resting Spots

Emphasis on simple circulation, legibility and wayfinding is critical to achieving clarity throughout the campus, however, beyond this the quality of the experience also needs to be accentuated throughout these journeys.

Circulation routes are a combination of both movement and rest. They need to be active, vital and safe, and should offer amenity, places of activity and respite, and variety and visual interest. Easily accessible student lounges, faculty hubs, cafés and retail provisions, green spaces and courtyards need to be scattered along them.

Accessibility

New developments and refurbishments will comply with the UTS Accessible Environments Policy, as well as the Building Code of Australia (BCA) and the *Disability Discrimination Act 1992* (DDA).



EXAMPLES OF SUCCESSFUL LANDSCAPED SPACES