

UNIVERSITY of VIRGINIA
Historic Preservation Master Plan
Charlottesville, Virginia

Project Data

Date: 2003-2005
Size: 1,153± acres & 578 bldgs.
Scope: 130± bldgs. and 24 core landscapes
Context: Historic designed campus



January 2004

Project Description:

The University of Virginia (UVA), a World Heritage Site designated by UNESCO in 1987, is experiencing rapid growth and developmental pressure. As a result, its 130 historical buildings and 24 core landscapes, all 40 years old or older, were researched and assessed for their long-term viability and potential removal or “modernization”.

Thomas Jefferson’s Academical Village lies in the center of the campus that’s architectural and landscape design styles illustrate campus planning up to the present day. The purpose of this project was to research, document and assess the character-defining features, materials, qualities, and historic significance that make UVA’s historic resources important to the University, state and national communities.

The Historic Preservation Master Plan was multi-faceted. The final product is a catalog of research, documentation, guidelines and recommendations for these historic resources. Our Plan eliminates the rapid removal of their heritage without thorough documentation and without fully understanding its significance. This Master Plan sets the groundwork so all future growth and development while respecting and incorporating UVA’s historic resources.



Thomas Jefferson’s Academical Village, January 2004