

BP4 Campus Planning and Capital Planning Policy

Category: BP (Buildings and Propoerty)

Effective Date: September 1, 2026

Approving Jurisdiction: Board of Governors

Administrative Responsibility: Vice President Administration

A. Context and Purpose

The administration and control of university property is vested in the Board of Governors.

Section 27 (2) of the University Act states:

“the board has the following powers:

- d) in consultation with the senate, to maintain and keep in proper order and condition the real property of the university, to erect and maintain the buildings and structures on it that in the opinion of the board are necessary and advisable, and to make rules respecting the management, government and control of the real property, buildings and structures;
- e) in consultation with the senate, to provide for conservation of the heritage sites of the university, including any heritage buildings, structures and land of the university;”

The requirements of the Act with respect to real property are addressed through the following University processes:

1. Campus Planning, including conservation of heritage sites: this Policy
2. Capital Planning: annual capital budget and this Policy
3. Maintenance: annual operating budget
4. Control: internal operating practices

This Policy and related Procedures provide the principles and procedures that will guide the orderly planning, design and development of and/or improvements to campus buildings and infrastructure, open spaces, the public realm, and transportation networks, to support the University’s mission, vision, values, and goals.

Campus Planning includes an Official Campus Plan for overarching guidance on University land use and the future development of each campus, and Capital Planning includes the University’s Five-Year Capital Plan and forms part of the University’s wider annual capital budget process.

Both Campus Planning and Capital Planning identify priorities for major new construction, improvements, and adaptive reuse or demolition of campus buildings and grounds. Campus Planning is advanced by Campus and Community Planning (CCP) and the delivery governance of Capital Planning is a shared responsibility between CCP, Facilities Services, and Information Technology (IT) services, with participation in both Campus Planning and Capital Planning processes broadly occurring across the University.

Kwantlen Polytechnic University (KPU) recognizes the inherent rights of Indigenous Peoples to participate in decision making that affects their lands, cultures, and communities, and is committed to fostering respectful, reciprocal, and culturally grounded partnerships that reflect Indigenous knowledge systems and worldviews. In alignment with the xé?el̓t̓ KPU Pathway to Systemic Transformation, this Policy reaffirms KPU's commitment to reconciliation, decolonization, and the advancement of Indigenous rights. Guided by the Truth and Reconciliation Commission's Calls to Action, the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (UNDRIP), and British Columbia's Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples Act (DRIPA), KPU will work in close collaboration with its Office of Indigenous Leadership to ensure that Indigenous engagement is foundational to all Campus Planning and Capital Planning processes.

This policy also advances KPU's Accessibility Plan and Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion Action Plan, and reflects the importance of diversity in both our student and employee populations.

B. Scope and Limits

This policy addresses all Campus Planning and Capital Planning processes, including the preparation and periodic updating of all of the University's Official Campus Plans and Five-Year Capital Plans, and the identification of any heritage sites (buildings and/or grounds) owned by the University, as well as the delivery governance of University capital projects.

C. Statement of Policy Principles

1. Campus Planning and Capital Planning processes are driven by the academic needs of the University and guided by the University's mission, vision, values, and goals, as described in KPU's strategic plan.
2. Campus Planning and Capital Planning processes support the creation of intentional environments that enhance the student experience by blending academic, social, and wellness functions, and foster a vibrant campus life.
3. Campus Planning and Capital Planning processes are guided by the University's commitment to reconciliation and decolonization; a concern for ecological

sustainability and consideration for both climate mitigation and adaptation strategies; and support accessible and inclusive communities, in order to identify and remove barriers whether they be physical barriers or systemic and attitudinal barriers.

4. The University ensures that an Official Campus Plan is prepared and updated as required according to the evolving needs of the University and receives University Board approval, in accordance with the University Act, as well as consultative review from the University Senate.
5. The University's Five-Year Capital Plan is prepared and updated annually and is informed by the Capital Planning Steering Committee, as set out in the Procedures.

D. Definitions

Refer to Section A of BP4 Campus Planning and Capital Planning Procedure for a list of definitions in support of this Policy.

E. Related Policies and Legislation

University Act, Section 27 (2) (d), (e)

BP6 Energy Conservation

BP7 University Space

F. Related Procedure

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G. Reference Documents

KPU [Official Campus Plan](#)

KPU Project Management Framework

KPU [Accessibility Plan](#)

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KPU [Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion Action Plan](#)