

THE EVERGREEN STATE COLLEGE

AT A GLANCE

The Evergreen State College at Olympia, first public four-year college authorized in Washington during the 20th Century, was created by an act of the 1967 State Legislature. The College is administered by a five-person board of trustees and President Charles J. McCann.

Located on the Cooper Point Peninsula northwest of Olympia, the campus of the Evergreen State College contains 990 acres of land, with about 3,000 feet of water frontage on Eld Inlet of Puget Sound. The site offers views of the Olympic Mountains, Mount Rainier, the Black Hills and the sound.

Evergreen, an Arts and Sciences institution, will open in the fall of 1971 to an initial class of about 800, including freshmen, some transfer students and adults participating in continuing education programs. Enrollment may reach 12,000 by the mid-1980s and campus physical plans have been developed with that student population in mind.

Beginning academic programs will concentrate on undergraduate learning in the humanities and arts, natural sciences and mathematics, and social sciences. Because of the college's nearness to state government, considerable emphasis will be placed on learning in the area of public administration. Learning programs also will utilize the large tree-covered and water-oriented campus as a living laboratory for a variety of inquiries in such areas as marine sciences, ecology, biology, environment, etc. Academic planning is based on the assumption that Evergreen's role is to initiate a process of continuing learning by allowing students--in counsel with faculty--to progress toward their own objectives in as independent a manner as possible, by developing curricula not riveted to narrow disciplines, by providing work-study opportunities, by maximizing flexibility of scheduling and program.

Specific details of academic programs will be directed by the Vice President and Provost in conjunction with the deans of Humanities and Arts, Natural Sciences and Mathematics, and Social Sciences and 20 senior faculty members representing a broad range of scholarship and experience.

The campus master plan calls for placement of academic buildings in close proximity, tied together by a central plaza which extends into a mall and lateral courts in the geographic center of the site. This will allow rapid movement between buildings, encourage close contact between all members of the academic community, and preserve land for future expansion. Areas of forest and waterfront will, to the extent possible, remain in a natural state, some as working places, others as refuges for people wanting quiet. Landscaping will repair damage where inescapable disruptions of the natural environment occur.

Work on the college's first building--the 337,000 square foot library--began in the spring of 1970. Construction of the building--which initially will contain library and audio-visual facilities; small classrooms; faculty and administrative offices; storage space; limited food service areas; and computer space--is scheduled so that it can be ready to accommodate students in 1971.

Other construction activity scheduled during the 1969-71 fiscal biennium includes:

- Site clearing and road building.
- On-site and off-site water and sewage facilities.
- Landscaping.
- Large Group Instructional Center.
- First portion of the College Activities Building.
- First phase of the Science Laboratory Building.
- First section of the College Recreation Center.
- First group of student residence halls.
- Central Utilities plant, garages and shops.

Meanwhile, staff facilities planners and academic officers are developing programs and drawings for future campus buildings to be constructed in the 1971-73 biennium and beyond. In addition, the State Highways Department has completed studies to determine the route for a high-speed, limited-access parkway approach to the campus from the Highway 101 Freeway west of Olympia. Depending on state funding, construction of the parkway could begin during the 1971-73 biennium.

Chief officers of the college are (in addition to the President):

- David G. Barry, Vice President and Provost.
- E. J. Shoben, Jr., Executive Vice President.
- Dean E. Clabaugh, Vice President For Business.
- Charles B. Teske, Dean, Division of Humanities and Arts.
- Mervyn L. Cadwallader, Dean, Division of Social Sciences.
- Donald G. Humphrey, Dean, Division of Natural Sciences and Mathematics.
- James F. Holly, Dean of Library Services.
- Robert L. Barringer, Director of Computer Services.
- Jerry L. Schillinger, Director of Facilities Planning.
- David W. Brown, Director of Admissions.
- Perrin C. Smith, Registrar.