

The Landscape Architecture of the 1921 Morrel & Nichols Plan for Future Development of Buildings and Grounds: A Historic American Landscape Survey for the North Dakota State University Campus





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Campus landscapes are tangible cultural forms of universities. They are considered valuable cultural heritage landscapes that embody each university's philosophy, characteristics, aesthetic values, and educational mindset. The project, "The Landscape Architecture of the 1921 Morrel & Nichols Plan for Future Development of Buildings and Grounds: A Historic American Landscape Survey for the North Dakota State University Campus," is primarily a historical analysis to complete a short-format Historic American Landscape Survey to be recorded by the National Park Service for the Library of Congress. The study will rely heavily on the Institute for Regional Studies Archives for photographs, maps, local newspapers, and several other archives including the papers of the late Dennis Colliton, former NDSU Landscape Architecture faculty member. This will allow for a complete and accurate description of the campus history and significance to the profession of landscape architecture, the State of North Dakota, and the catalog of American universities campus design.

"the need of a Landscape Architect to plan for the Development of various kinds of Institutions is seen today in many instances by the sad result which has been the outcome of building from time to time without any given plan for the future growth. It has been the aim of Landscape Architects to study as far as possible the future requirements and ultimate growth of these Institutions and so to plan for their arrangement that as the time goes on and as the Institutions grow, year by year the plan for this arrangement can be followed and thus by looking towards the ultimate scheme can procure a result which will always be harmonious" (Morell & Nichols, 1911).

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We hope you can join us for this year's presentation. If you are unable to attend, it will be available to view at a later date in the NDSU Repository.