

# UniverCity



## A Self-Guided Walking Tour



From The Cornerstone, head east along University High Street. The town centre will eventually extend to Tower Road. Near the intersection of University Crescent, you will find the Polygon sales centre for Aurora. Feel free to go inside, and see what is planned. Head down to the roundabout, which was installed to ‘calm’ the traffic and create an attractive entry to the community, and then walk back, past the ponds, which are part of our innovative stormwater management system.

The first project on your right is One University Crescent. The sales centre is open for viewing. The new President’s Residence is located on the top floor of the first building. Across the road is Harmony, which is now sold out. As you walk north along the Crescent, you will come to Novo, by Intergulf. It too is sold out; however, you can visit the presentation centre for their next development, Novo Two, located further up the street.



As you walk along, check out the paved sidewalks, the special pervious pavers under the street parking, and the landscaped ‘curb bulges’ with the tree stumps retained from the original forest. (OK, so they were transplanted!) The landscaped boulevards are also designed as swales to capture the rainwater.



On your left is Serenity, which includes approximately 135 townhouses and stacked townhouses, by Polygon. The sales centre is open for viewing. Further along the street you will find three more developments under construction, including Verdant, the first ‘non-market’ faculty and staff housing.



To return to The Cornerstone, take the new east-west trail between Serenity and Harmony. Along this trail will be located the first Public Art installation, which was selected in a student run competition. (Details are available in our most recent UniverCity News.)

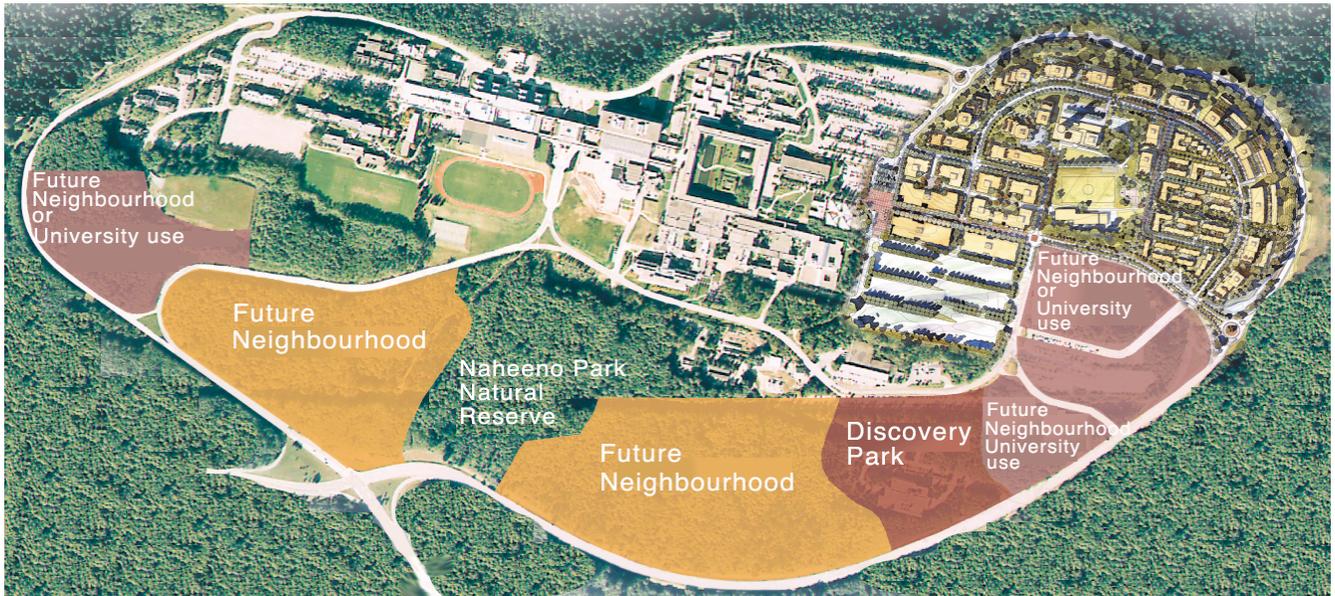
On the way, take another look at the East Academic Annex, which will soon be converted to the elementary school once funding is approved!



At The Cornerstone, check out our wonderful merchants, both along High Street, and Cornerstone Mews. A number of these businesses are owned by SFU alumni, including Nature’s Garden Deli, Himalayan Peak, and Eyes in Motion.



We hope you enjoy the walk, and would love to hear your comments.



Construction of UniverCity got underway in 2002. It includes a number of neighbourhoods surrounding the campus. The Highlands, with its village like town centre, is the first neighbourhood. Today 585 homes have been completed, along with The Cornerstone retail and office space, and the adjacent Town Square. When completed, two decades from now, it is expected that up to 10,000 people will live here.

The community includes a number of innovative features including legalized secondary suites in apartments and townhomes, a car-sharing program and a C-Pass that will offer residents a discounted transit pass starting January 2006.

The community has already received a number of awards for its environmental features and overall design. It was even featured on David Suzuki's CBC program "The Nature of Things!"

