



# ***The University***

The University of South Carolina Upstate (formerly USC Spartanburg), is a coeducational, public, comprehensive metropolitan institution that is located in Spartanburg along the thriving economic I-85 corridor between Atlanta and Charlotte. The University's numerous partnerships with public and private corporations and other educational institutions, coupled with the mission to offer baccalaureate education to the citizens of the Upstate of South Carolina, led to a name change on June 30, 2004.

As a senior comprehensive public institution of the University of South Carolina, the University's primary responsibilities are to offer baccalaureate education to the citizens of the Upstate of South Carolina and to offer selected master's degrees in response to regional demand. We offer bachelor's degree programs in the liberal arts and sciences, business administration, nursing and teacher education, as well as master's degrees in education. And we continue to create a host of new academic majors each year, most recently information management and systems, nonprofit administration, special education, graphic design, and a master's degree in teaching the visually impaired.

Today, USC Upstate is among the fastest growing universities in South Carolina - with a 302-acre campus in Spartanburg, a commuter-campus at the University Center of Greenville and a planned campus for the George Dean Johnson, Jr. College of Business and Economics in downtown Spartanburg.

The Spartanburg campus is a dynamic hub of activity. Magnolia House, which opens in fall 2009, is a co-educational facility housing freshmen students only. Its 87 suites will house up to 346 students in single or double rooms and handicap-accessible units. The Palmetto House is a co-educational facility housing a combination of upper-classmen students. Both housing facilities boasts computer rooms, open areas, laundry facilities, keyless entry and wireless Internet. Students often gather at the Louis P. Howell Athletic Complex, one of the Southeast's top sports venues, to cheer on the Spartans in baseball, softball, tennis and soccer.

USC Upstate is home to 5,000 students from 38 states and 71 nations. It offers challenging, first-rate academic courses, small class sizes, personal experiences, remarkable diversity, an expansive international community, and a dynamic campus life. Our acclaimed and accredited academic programs create real opportunities for our students to build bridges to their future through internships, field service, study abroad, and more.

USC Upstate inspires its students to grow intellectually, culturally, socially and emotionally. Students are also challenged to think critically and to prepare themselves for the professional challenges that lie ahead. As a first-year student, we don't expect you to have all of the answers. That's why we have an extensive network of academic support services to help guide the way, including our innovative Student Success Center, Opportunity Network, the Writing Lab and Career Center.

Just as it offers academic excellence, USC Upstate also offers a comprehensive athletics program competing on the NCAA Division I level as a member of the Atlantic Sun Conference.

The Spartans currently field 15 varsity sports -- basketball, soccer, tennis, golf, cross country, and track and field for both women and men; baseball for men; and softball and volleyball for women. The USC Upstate athletics department is a diverse, dynamic, and widely successful arm of the university, one that promotes teamwork, leadership, and an overall sense of community both on campus and in the greater Upstate region of South Carolina.

Parallel to the growth and expansion of the University is the steadily climbing base of USC Upstate alumni. Forty-two years after its founding, USC Upstate boasts an alumni base of more than 17,000; 85 percent of whom remain in the Upstate to build their lives and careers.

## *Mission Statement*

The University of South Carolina Upstate aims to become one of the Southeast's leading "metropolitan" universities—a university that acknowledges as its fundamental reason for being its relationship to its surrounding cities, their connecting corridors and expanding populations.

It aims to be recognized nationally among its peer metropolitan institutions for its excellence in education and commitment to its students, for its involvement in the Upstate, for its operational and managerial effectiveness, for its civility and common purpose, and for the clarity and integrity of its mission.

As a senior comprehensive public institution of the University of South Carolina, the University's primary responsibilities are to offer baccalaureate education to the citizens of the upstate of South Carolina and to offer selected master's degrees in response to regional demand.

Curricula and services are designed for the University's students, four to seven thousand in headcount, who are diverse in background, age, race, ethnicity, educational experience and academic goals. Students are drawn in large proportion from the Upstate where many choose to remain for their careers. A broad range of major curricula are provided in arts and sciences and in professional fields of study required by the regional economy, including business, education, and nursing.

Through on-site instruction including comprehensive programming at the University Center of Greenville, distance learning, continuing education and inter-institutional articulation agreements, both traditional students and working professionals are served regionally.

Consistent with the international character of the Upstate, the University promotes global perspectives across its programs, and, supporting the regional employment objectives of most of its students, it provides extensive experiential learning opportunities.

The University's metropolitan mission rests upon a foundation of partnerships with the education, corporate and service organizations of the Upstate. The USC Upstate faculty provides leadership in promoting the Upstate's economic, social and cultural development

through its teaching, professional service, basic and applied scholarship/research, and creative endeavors.

USC Upstate strives to prepare its students to participate as responsible citizens in a diverse, global, and knowledge-based society, to pursue excellence in their chosen careers and to continue learning throughout life.

### *Vision Statement*

USC Upstate will emerge as “the metropolitan university of South Carolina” and one of the leading metropolitan universities of the Southeast, recognized as a center of superb teaching, experiential learning, regional partnerships, international opportunity, cultural diversity, and dynamic community activity.

### *History*

The history of the University of South Carolina Upstate is a chronicle of remarkable development. In 1967, the university was founded in response to efforts undertaken by G.B. Hodge, M.D., together with fellow members of the Spartanburg County Commission for Higher Education, and a remarkably strong founding faculty primarily to avert a serious health care labor shortage crisis when Spartanburg General Hospital announced plans to eliminate its diploma program for registered nurses. A citizen’s committee investigated the situation and ultimately requested that Spartanburg be included in the University of South Carolina system.

The Spartanburg Regional Campus, as it was first known, opened its doors in the fall of 1967 to 177 students on the first floor of the Spartanburg General Hospital nursing residence. Enrollment continued to increase, which resulted in the school becoming a four-year university in 1975 and being renamed the University of South Carolina Spartanburg.

Since its founding, USC Upstate has grown from a small, two-year campus into one of the leading metropolitan universities in the Southeast. This growth has been a direct response to the needs of the Upstate — a tradition that began with the University’s creation. The University has expanded well beyond nursing to include 40 bachelor’s programs in the liberal arts, sciences, business, information management and systems, teacher education and nursing. In 1994, the University moved to the graduate level, with master’s degree programs in elementary education and early childhood education.

The University’s numerous partnerships with public and private corporations and other educational institutions, coupled with the mission to offer baccalaureate education to the citizens of the Upstate of South Carolina, led to a name change. On June 30, 2004, with USC Board of Trustees approval, USCS changed its name to the University of South Carolina Upstate.

### *Accreditation*

The University of South Carolina Upstate is accredited by the Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (1866 Southern Lane, Decatur, Ga. 30033-4097; Telephone 404-679-

4501) to award associate, baccalaureate and master’s degrees. Business programs are accredited by AACSB International—The Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business (600 Emerson Road, Suite 300, St. Louis, Mo. 63141-6762; Telephone 314-872-8481). Nursing programs are accredited by the National League for Nursing Accrediting Commission (61 Broadway, New York, N.Y. 10006; Telephone 1-800-669-1656; E-mail [custhelp@nlm.org](mailto:custhelp@nlm.org)).

Undergraduate education programs are accredited by the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education (2010 Massachusetts Ave. N.W., Suite 500, Washington D.C. 20036-1023; Telephone 202-466-7496). The Bachelor of Science in Computer Science program is accredited by ABET—Accreditation Board for Engineering and Technology Inc. (111 Market Place, Suite 1050, Baltimore, Md. 21202-4002; Telephone 410-347-7700).

### *Public Service*

In addition to academic excellence, USC Upstate is dedicated to public service activities. Among the University’s initiatives in this area:

**The Scholars Academy** is a joint venture of the University of South Carolina Upstate and the seven Spartanburg County school districts to provide advanced learners with a quality education in a supportive learning environment. Its mission is to attract and graduate students with a life-long passion for learning and compassion for others, and enable them to translate academic study and personal concern into effective leadership and action in their communities and the world.

Ninth and tenth grade students are taught and supervised primarily by a cadre of selected Spartanburg county school teachers. In addition, students take some college coursework. Eleventh and twelfth graders enroll in a combination of mostly Advanced Placement and college courses. Students graduate with a high school diploma and as much as two years of college course credits.

Twenty-five students from seven Spartanburg county public high schools were invited to attend the Academy in its initial year of operation during the 2007-08 academic year. There is no charge for students to attend the Academy as the project is funded through the Voluntary Public School Choice Grant program. For additional information, interested parents and students may visit the Scholars Academy website at the following address: [http://www.uscupstate.edu/academics/education/scholars\\_academy](http://www.uscupstate.edu/academics/education/scholars_academy)

USC Upstate administers **ACHIEVE**, a youth GED and employment program, in Cherokee, Spartanburg and Union counties. The program provides employability training and job placement, instruction and career activities for high school dropouts.

**Upward Bound** is a program of intensive instruction, tutoring, social and cultural activities designed to increase high school student’s motivation and personal and academic skills to levels necessary for success beyond high school. Upward Bound works primarily with students who are low-income and/or potential first generation college students. Upward Bound is totally funded by a Title IV

grant awarded to the University of South Carolina Upstate by the U.S. Department of Education.

Thousands of public school students have participated in programs such as the **Piedmont Regional Science Fair**, an annual writing and art competition, and **History Day**.

Each year the University offers a wide range of art exhibits, special lectures, music concerts, plays, and other special events for students and the community. Admission to these events is either free or at a nominal charge.

### ***Center for International Studies***

The Center for International Studies provides enhanced international experiences for USC Upstate students and faculty members as well as interaction between the University and the international community. The Center assists with language development and translation services on and off campus. Due to reciprocal agreements with various universities abroad, USC Upstate offers students and faculty opportunities to study or pursue projects abroad. For international students, the Center provides curricular, personal and cultural assistance. International students should contact the Center for International Studies shortly after their arrival on campus for orientation and information relevant to beginning their college careers.

### ***Student Success Center***

The Student Success Center houses the Academic Support Center, Career Center, and Opportunity Network. It also houses the office of the Assistant Vice Chancellor for Student Success, Dr. Mary Theokas. As a department, the Center provides a wealth of services designed to facilitate the success of every USC Upstate student from the first day of class until graduation.

### ***Academic Support Center***

The Academic Support Center is a comprehensive academic support office on campus to assist students. Its principal mission is to work with the USC Upstate community to promote student persistence by offering skilled advisement, tutoring, retention-related instruction, and other activities that clarify students' academic goals and enhance their ties to USC Upstate. The Center offers an array of services to assist students in their daily academic demands, such as free tutorial services, study skills and time management assistance, facilitation of study groups and Supplemental Instruction for difficult courses, one-on-one consultations with students, referrals to other USC Upstate services, and much more. The Center also works closely with faculty and staff through its University 101 program for freshmen, the Early Intervention Program, and with classroom presentations and workshops as requested.

### ***Opportunity Network***

Opportunity Network is a student support services program at USC Upstate made possible through a federal grant from the U.S. Department of Education. Earning an undergraduate degree can be extremely challenging, and Opportunity Network offers support to students as they transition from high school to college and beyond. The

program provides a wide variety of services, programs and support to assist college students as they strive to achieve their educational goals. Some of the specific services available are academic advising, tutoring and mentoring, study skills workshops, cultural events, financial aid assistance and graduate school advising. First generation college students, low-income and/or students with a learning or physical disability may qualify for the program. Students who think they may be eligible to participate should visit [www.uscupstate.edu/opportunitynetwork.html](http://www.uscupstate.edu/opportunitynetwork.html) for more information.

### ***Career Center***

The Career Center assists students in obtaining gainful employment during their tenure at the University as well as full-time placement after graduation. We provide valuable information regarding resume' and cover letter preparation, interviewing techniques and other tips to assist students with their career goals. Students are encouraged to register with the Spartan Career Link, a web-based Career Services program which links them online to placement assistance for on- and off-campus employment as well as internship opportunities.

### ***Center for Undergraduate Research and Scholarship (CURS)***

The Center for Undergraduate Research and Scholarship provides programs and incentives to enhance the educational and professional development of USC Upstate students by supporting student-based research, scholarly, or creative activities. This Center provides, on a competitive basis, logistic and monetary support for the pursuit of student projects performed under the guidance of USC Upstate faculty, staff, and/or community professionals from throughout the Upstate region. The Center also assists students in traveling to professional meetings to present their work/findings, assists faculty/staff who involve students in their research programs, and assists in arranging internships and directed studies for students in order to better prepare them for their future professional careers.

### ***Veterans Affairs***

Students eligible to receive veterans' educational benefits should contact the veterans' coordinator located in the records office. Students receiving veterans' benefits are required to report any changes in curriculum, including courses dropped or added, absences and withdrawal. Failure to report such changes results in termination of benefits.

### ***Student Services***

#### ***Bookstore***

The USC Upstate Bookstore, located on the main level of the Health Education Complex, carries textbooks, supplementary materials and supplies, clothing, items featuring the university name and logo, software, computers, magazines, newspapers, and student identification cards. The bookstore maintains a Web page at [www.upstatebookstore.com](http://www.upstatebookstore.com) that provides e-commerce and news on events and specials.

## **Identification Cards**

The USC Upstate Bookstore provides identification cards for all students at USC Upstate. Each student will be provided the first ID card at no cost but each additional card will cost \$10. Cards are automatically activated each semester when fees are paid. During a student's tenure at USC Upstate, the initial card is a valid one. ID cards are required to check out books in the library as well as for entry at certain events.

## **Child Care**

Children from 3 months to 6 years of age can be enrolled at the NAEYC accredited Burroughs Child Development Center. The Center is open from 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. weekdays and serves children of students, staff and faculty. Full- and part-time care is available.

## **Dining Services**

Food services management operations are contracted through Sodexo Campus Services. The Dining Services administrative office is located on the first floor of the Campus Life Center, adjacent to the cafeteria. Residential students are required to purchase a meal plan for any-time access and all-you-can-eat meals in the cafeteria, with five equivalencies at any of our other venues. For non-resident students, a variety of food choices are available and may be purchased with cash, a declining-balance plan, or with one of our other cost-saving commuter meal plans. A valid University ID is required for all meal plans or declining-balance purchases. In addition to the cafeteria, other venues include Sandella's Café and PowerBlendz Smoothie Bar located on the avenue in the Health Education Center, a new food court will open fall 2009 located on the ground level of the Horace C. Smith Science Building, featuring Jazzman's Cafe and SubConnection.

A full-range of catering services is available for campus events, including those sponsored by the community. The Office of Dining Services offers employment opportunities for students, with flexible hours, free meals and good pay.

## **Intercollegiate Athletics**

USC Upstate has a broad-based intercollegiate athletic program for men and women. USC Upstate teams compete in NCAA Division I Atlantic Sun Conference. The University fields 17 varsity teams — basketball, soccer, track and field, golf, tennis and cross country for men and women; baseball for men; and softball, volleyball, cheerleading and dance for women.

## **The Campus**

Located conveniently along the thriving economic I-85 corridor between Atlanta and Charlotte, USC Upstate is set in the picturesque foothills of the Blue Ridge Mountains. The 302-acre campus features many new and sophisticated facilities.

**Administration Building.** Opened in 1969 and renovated in 1988, this 41,000-square-foot building was the first facility constructed on the USC Upstate campus. It houses administrative offices in addition to classrooms.

**G.B. Hodge Center.** Opened in 1973 and later expanded, the 45,000-square-foot Hodge Center houses classrooms, academic offices, a 1,650-seat gymnasium, an auxiliary gym, a weight room and athletics department offices. The building is named for the late Dr. G.B. Hodge, chairman emeritus of the Spartanburg County Commission for Higher Education.

**Media Building.** This 44,000-square-foot building, opened in 1978, houses classrooms, academic offices, and the studios of WRET-TV, a station of the South Carolina Educational Television Network.

**College of Arts and Science Building.** Opened in 1982, this 26,066-square-foot facility houses the offices and classrooms of the College of Arts and Sciences.

**University Police and Health Services.** These two departments are housed in Building 1 of Palmetto Villas.

**Burroughs Child Development Center.** Opened in 1976, the Center provides care for pre-school children, and gives students in the School of Education an opportunity to work with and observe young children. It is named for the late William J. Burroughs, who was a founding member of the Spartanburg County Commission for Higher Education in 1967.

**Susan B. Jacobs Arboretum.** The 12-acre arboretum, named for Susan B. Jacobs who is a graduate of The Mary Black School of Nursing at USC Upstate, is located north of the Campus Life Center along Pollywood Creek. It features a 300-seat amphitheatre, lighted walkways, and foliage indigenous to the area. The Arboretum serves as the center of gravity for campus life and student activities and provides a place for relaxation, for the enjoyment and advancement of academic studies, for contemplation and reflection, and for cultural, social and entertainment events.

**Palmetto House.** The 105,000-square-foot facility opened in 2004 provides housing for 348 students. The complex consists of single and double occupancy rooms, open areas, and three recreation rooms. Each hall features a private study area and laundry facilities. This co-educational facility features controlled access, full sprinkler system, Internet access, cable television, computer lab, green space, and adjacent parking.

**Magnolia House.** Set to open in Fall 2009, the Magnolia House will be a housing facility exclusively for freshman, offering suite-style living and the same amenities of the Palmetto House.

**Palmetto Villas.** The University obtained ownership of this 12-building apartment complex in 1997. Each two-bedroom unit is furnished, air-conditioned, and has a kitchen with stove, refrigerator, dishwasher and disposal. All units are networked as part of the USC Upstate system. A recreation area with pool, laundry and basketball and volleyball courts is available. Palmetto Villas houses 348 upperclassman.

**John M. Rampey Center.** Opened in 1992, this 6,200-square-foot facility is primarily used for professional development and corporate training and continuing education classes. No academic classes utilize this facility.

**The Louis P. Howell Athletic Complex.** The Athletic Complex is located in the northern section of the campus and includes the County University Soccer Stadium, Spartanburg County Youth Soccer Fields, Cleveland S. Harley Baseball Stadium, Cyrill Softball Stadium and Tennis Complex. These facilities are part of the recent construction and expansion efforts, which brings all athletic venues on campus, thus creating a greater sense of a campus community.

**Outdoor Recreational Facilities.** A 1.3-mile passage of the Palmetto Trail begins at the Louis P. Howell Athletic Complex and leads into a wooded forest on the banks of the Lawson's Fork Creek. Only hikers and bikers may use this section of the trail. Several other trails wind through the campus and more are currently under development. The USC Upstate Challenge Course seeks to give students the opportunity to sharpen interpersonal skills through the facilitation of various activities and groups. Other recreation sites include intramural fields adjacent to the Palmetto House, and five fields used primarily for recreational soccer and similar use located on the west side of the campus.

**University Readiness Center.** Opened in 2003, this 50,000-square-foot facility is situated on a 12-acre site on the northern side of the campus. It provides office space for the South Carolina National Guard, multi-purpose meeting space, classrooms, hospitality rooms, full kitchen facilities, and dressing rooms for athletic teams using the Louis P. Howell Athletics Complex.

**Campus Life Center.** This 55,000-square-foot facility is the center of campus activity and the focal point of future growth onto the North Campus. The CLC houses Dining Services, the Center for International Studies, Student Affairs, the Counseling Center, student organization offices, student publication offices, several meeting rooms, a computer lab and an automated teller machine. It is a gathering place for student organization and community meetings, receptions and other events.

**Kathryn Hicks Visual Arts Center.** Renovated in the summer of 2003, this facility provides space for art studios, graphic design, art imaging laboratory, sculpturing, printmaking, classrooms, faculty offices and exhibitions.

**Humanities and Performing Arts Center.** Opened in 1990, this building features a 450-seat theater with a hydraulic pit lift, superb acoustics, and a fully rigged fly loft. The 54,000-square-foot building also houses classrooms, academic offices, a music recital hall, private practice rooms, art studios, an art gallery, foreign language and journalism labs.

**Horace C. Smith Science Building.** Opened in 1985, the 60,000-square-foot facility is home to academic offices, science laboratories and classrooms.

**Library.** This 68,300-square-foot building, opened in 1977, houses a library with a collection of more than 235,000 volumes, academic offices and classrooms. On the lower level, with a separate entrance, is the Tukey Theater, a 140-seat lecture hall named for the late Richard E. Tukey, who as head of the Spartanburg Chamber of

Commerce was one of the community leaders instrumental in the establishment of USC Upstate.

**Health Education Complex.** This 150,000-square-foot building opened in Fall 2008. It houses the Mary Black School of Nursing, School of Education, Enrollment Services, Bookstore, and the Wellness Center – including a pool, racquetball and basketball courts, running track, climbing wall, and aerobics facilities – will provide first-rate recreation, exercise, and instructional and research opportunities for the campus community.

## ***DIRECTIONS TO CAMPUS***

**From U.S. Hwy. 176/I-585 northbound** – Take the East Campus Boulevard exit. Go right at the end of the exit ramp onto East Campus Boulevard. The campus is on the left.

**From U.S. Hwy. 176/I-585 southbound** – Take the East Campus Boulevard exit. Go left at the end of the exit ramp onto East Campus Boulevard. The campus is on the left.

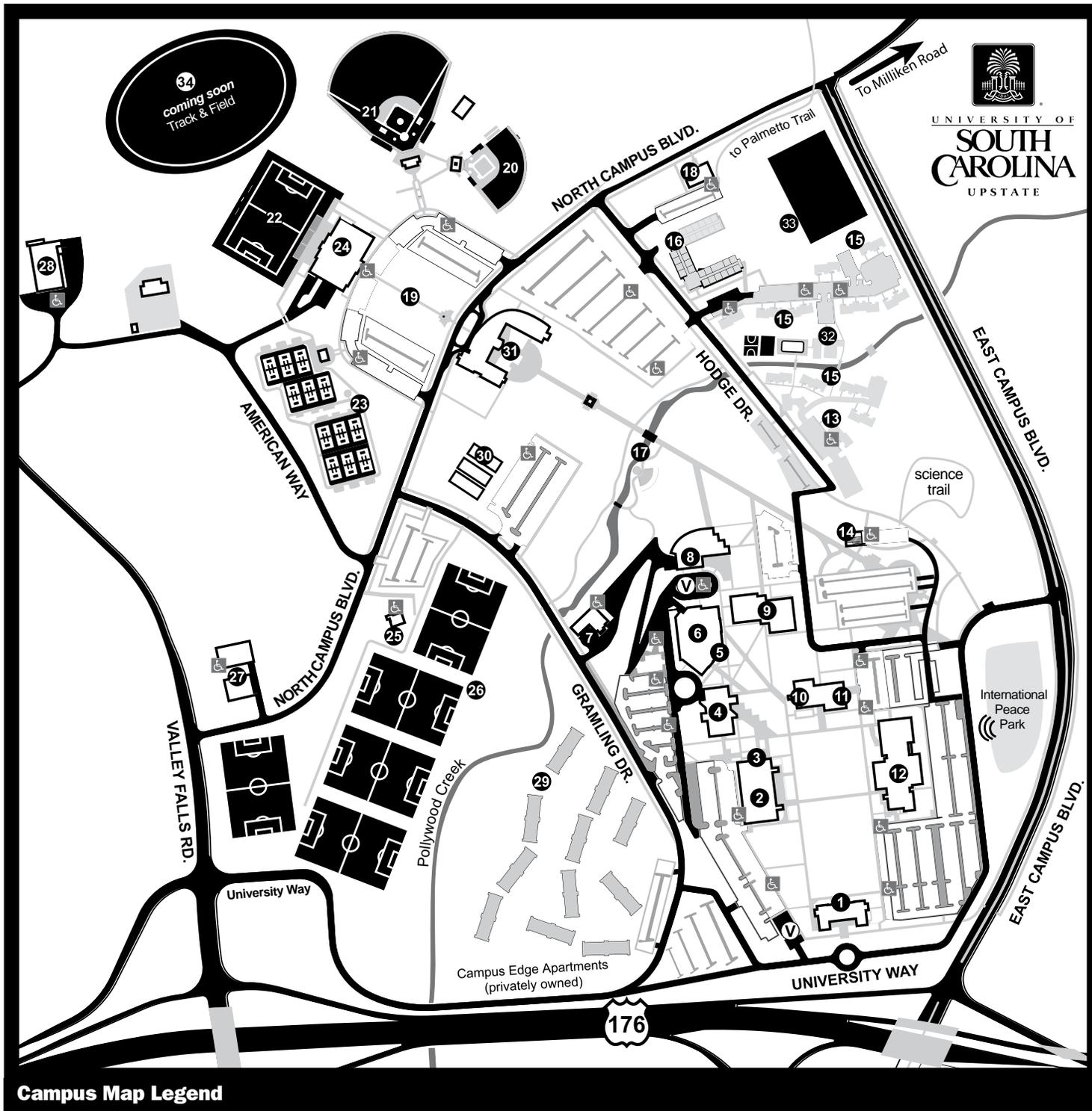
**From Business I-85 northbound** – Use Exit 5-B, Milliken Road. Proceed along the frontage road parallel to Business I-85 to the Milliken Bridge over Business I-85, and turn left crossing over Business I-85. At the four-way STOP at the end of the bridge, continue straight onto North Campus Boulevard into campus.

**From Business I-85 southbound** – Use Exit 6, SC 9. Proceed along the frontage road for approximately 1/2 mile being careful not to re-enter Business 85. Turn right at the Milliken Bridge and follow North Campus Boulevard to the campus.

**From I-85 in either direction** – Use Exit 72 onto U.S. 176 toward Spartanburg. Take the East Campus Boulevard exit. Go left at the end of the exit ramp onto East Campus Boulevard. The campus is on the left.

**From I-26 in either direction** – Exit onto I-85 northbound, and follow the above directions. Using I-85 instead of Business I-85 is the preferable route.

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**Campus Map Legend**

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| 1. Administrative Building             | 14. Burroughs Child Development Center     | 27. Support Facility/Central Receiving/<br>Postal Services/Printing Services        |
| 2. Library                             | 15. Palmetto Villas                        | 28. Facilities Management Complex   |
| 3. Richard E. Tukey Theatre            | 16. Palmetto House                         | 29. Honors House  |
| 4. Horace C. Smith Science Building    | 17. Susan Jacobs Arboretum                 | 30. Academic Annex 1, 2 and 3   |
| 5. Art Gallery                         | 18. John M. Rampey Center                  | 31. Health Education Complex<br>Mary Black School of Nursing<br>School of Education |
| 6. Humanities & Performing Arts Center | 19. Louis P. Howell Athletic Complex       | 32. Palmetto Landing  |
| 7. Kathryn Hicks Visual Arts Center    | 20. Cyrill Softball Stadium                | 33. Intramural Field  |
| 8. Campus Life Center                  | 21. Cleveland S. Harley Baseball Park      | 34. Track & Field (future)  |
| 9. College of Arts & Sciences Building | 22. County University Soccer Stadium       |   |
| 10. College of Business/HPPA/Sociology | 23. Tennis Complex                         |   |
| 11. Media Bldg./WRET-TV                | 24. University Readiness Center            |   |
| 12. G.B. Hodge Center/Gymnasiums       | 25. Smith Farmhouse/Special Events         |   |
| 13. University Police/Health Services  | 26. Spartanburg County Youth Soccer Fields |   |

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