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MOUNT VERNON CAMPUS

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WELCOME TO GW!

We are pleased you will be visiting our Mount Vernon Campus. This campus offers GW students academic

programs and student life opportunities in a traditional campus atmosphere, all of which are fully integrated into those of the schools and service areas of the University. The Office of the Dean of Freshmen is housed at Mount Vernon and an active residential life community emanates from the five coed residence halls, one female-only residence hall, and several Living and Learning programs provided for its nearly 700 residents.

Surrounding the campus are the shops and restaurants of Foxhall Road and MacArthur Boulevard, the Kreeger Museum, the German and French embassies, the residences of the Belgian and Spanish Ambassadors as well as private homes.

This tour should take approximately 30 minutes. Please feel free to stop and talk with students to get a first-hand impression of the campus. If you have any questions during normal business hours, you can visit Mount Vernon Campus Life (202-242-6673) located in the Academic Building on this campus or the Admissions Visitor Center (202-994-6602) on the Foggy Bottom Campus.



The tour begins as soon as you get off

The Vern Express. ❶ The Vern Express (the Foggy Bottom-Mount Vernon shuttle) operates 24 hours a day, seven days a week. During class times, students can take The Vern Express every 5-10 minutes to the Foggy Bottom Campus, which is three miles from Mount Vernon.

AMES DINING ROOM ❷

Located across Campus Drive from The Vern Express stop is Ames Hall. The Ames Dining Room is open nearly 80 hours a week from early morning through late night with continuous service of à la carte meals, including a variety of cooked to order meals, grab-and-go options, and brunch on weekends. During the 2010-2011 academic year, much of the Ames Building will be closed while it is expanded and redeveloped as a new academic facility. Taking its place will be the brand new dining facilities in the Pelham Residence Hall and Campus Life Center, featuring a full-service dining room, a late-night grill window, seating for approximately 150, and the campus's all-you-can-eat Sunday Brunch. During the renovations at Ames, the G-Dub Java coffee lounge will remain open as an additional day-time dining option. Ames Dining Room is open to all GW students, faculty, and



staff. All Mount Vernon dining facilities accept Colonial Cash, GW's dollar-based meal plan, which is also accepted at all venues on the Foggy Bottom Campus and many off-campus partners convenient to both campuses. Located on the bottom



floor of Ames Hall is the Pub, which offers large screen televisions and comfortable lounge furniture. ③



SOMERS HALL

Begin walking down Campus Drive. Somers Residence Hall is on your right. Somers Hall is comprised of suite-style doubles and houses 250 students. Somers provides private bathrooms, cable television, Ethernet and telephone connections for each student, community kitchens, laundry facilities, a computer lab, and a physical fitness room. In addition, Somers is home to several special co-curricular living and learning programs including the Elizabeth Somers Women's Leadership Program. This co-curricular freshman program is comprised of four cohorts, of 20 students each, that explore interdisciplinary perspectives on women's leadership. ④ (Unfortunately, access to University residence halls is restricted and unescorted visitors are unable to view housing accommodations. We encourage you to join a guided tour to enter the residence halls.)

THE QUAD ⑤

On your left, opposite Somers Hall, is The Quad.

The Quad is the gathering point on campus for events ranging from *Films on The Vern* to *Octoberfest*, ⑥ and from the *Welcome Week Bazaar* ⑦ to the annual *Fountain Fling* celebration. ⑧

The Mount Vernon Campus offers wireless connectivity for use with a GW NetID. All campus buildings, The Quad, and adjacent outdoor spaces are wireless enabled. In addition to the wireless connectivity, there are computers available in the Eckles Library.





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ACHESON SCIENCE CENTER 9

Across The Quad to the left is the Acheson Science Center.

This newly renovated facility provides state-of-the-art science laboratories and classrooms in addition to a new teaching computer laboratory. 10



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ACADEMIC BUILDING 11

To the right of the Acheson Science Center is the Academic Building. The

Academic Building is the academic center on campus and houses the Office of the Associate Dean for Academic Affairs and Mount Vernon Campus Life.



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Most of the classrooms, as well as art and design studios, 12 are located on the second and third floors. The average class size at Mount Vernon is 15-20 students. 13 The central hall (Post Hall) 14 is used for social events and formal meetings.



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ECKLES MEMORIAL LIBRARY 15

Continue on Campus Drive past Somers Hall.



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On the right is Eckles Memorial Library, the Mount Vernon branch of the Gelman Library System. Eckles is also a member of the Washington Research Library Consortium which gives GW students access to over 12 million volumes available through universities in the area. Books requested through the Consortium will be delivered directly to the circulation desk at Eckles.

The library contains several group study rooms, individual student carrels, and a 24-hour computer lab and study lounge. Feel free to enter the library. 16



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RESIDENCE HALLS

Continue down Campus Drive past Cole

Hall. Hensley, Merriweather, and Clark

Halls are located down the hill on the

right. ¹⁷ Each of these residence halls houses 45 students in doubles in suite configurations. ¹⁸

As with other residence halls at GW, Ethernet access and cable are provided. These residence halls have laundry facilities, television lounges, and community kitchens.



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WEBB BUILDING

On the left is the Webb Building, the main administrative building on the Mount Vernon Campus. It is home to the University's Dean of Freshmen, who is responsible for many aspects of the first year experience at the University and oversees operations of the Campus. Also located in the Webb Building is the office of the GW Pre-College Program. This program provides a unique college preparation summer experience for high school students. Interested students can obtain information on the program at www.gwu.edu/apply/precollege.

CAMPUS LIFE

Across Campus Drive, opposite Clark Residence Hall, is the entrance to Mount Vernon Campus Life. Mount Vernon Campus Life is the main student life and student services office on the Mount Vernon Campus. Mount Vernon Campus Life sponsors regularly scheduled events including the highly attended Wacky Wednesday series. Wacky Wednesday invites student organizations and departments to present information specifically focused to Mount Vernon residents. Mount Vernon Campus Life has also sponsored performances from recording artists Howie Day, Ben Lee, ¹⁹ and Spoon.

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HAND CHAPEL 20

Continue on Campus Drive. To the right is the Gatehouse where the GW Police Department station is located. Behind the Gatehouse and across from the soccer/lacrosse field is Hand Chapel. Hand Chapel is the performing arts center of the campus. Student run theater, a cappella, comedy, and dance groups use this facility for many of their performances. Hand Chapel also hosts classes throughout the day. Next to Hand Chapel are 39 dogwood trees. Each one represents a graduate of the class of 1969, the last graduating class of the Mount Vernon Seminary.



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SUMMIT OUTDOOR CHALLENGE COURSE

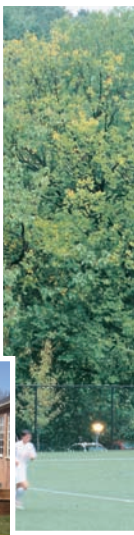
Continue on Campus Drive and look into the woods to the right past the lacrosse and soccer field. You will see the SUMMIT Outdoor Challenge Course, the city's only low ropes course for team-building and leadership development. The SUMMIT Course is designed around a core of 11 challenge course elements including Foxhall Foxhole. 21

PELHAM RESIDENCE HALL AND CAMPUS LIFE CENTER 22

Visible behind the soccer field scoreboard is the site of the new Pelham Residence Hall and Campus Life Center. Opening in fall 2010, this residence hall will house 287 students, primarily in single rooms in suite configurations. The building will also provide a dining hall with late-night eating options, a brand-new fitness center, state-of-the-art recording studios, individual rehearsal space, a black-box theatre, and an art studio.



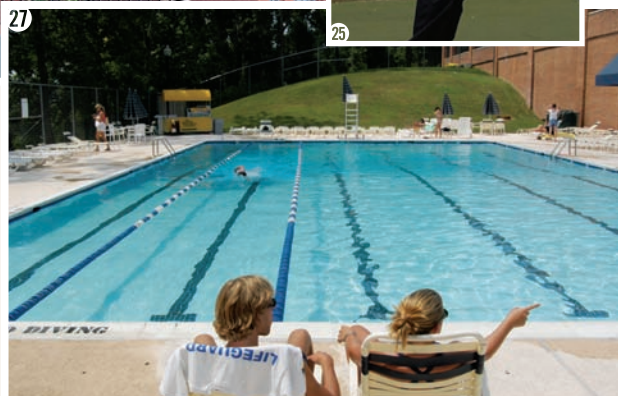
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ATHLETIC COMPLEX

Continue on Campus Drive and the lacrosse and soccer field **23** will be on your right. Directly behind the Clock Tower **24** are the outdoor tennis courts **25** and the Mount Vernon Athletic Complex. The Athletic Complex also includes the Lloyd Gymnasium, **26** an outdoor swimming pool **27** (located at the entrance to campus), and a softball field (located behind Ames Hall). In addition to being home to the Colonials Division I soccer, softball, and lacrosse teams, club and intramural sports utilize these facilities as well. Along with access to the fitness facility in the Gymnasium, students can also borrow

bicycles from the complex for travel around the city.



THANK YOU FOR VISITING THE GEORGE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY

To return to The Vern Express stop, continue on Campus Drive towards Ames Hall.

For additional information about GW, and to schedule guided tours and information sessions, please visit www.gwu.edu.

ADMISSIONS VISITOR CENTER

Foggy Bottom Campus, Academic Center,
across from Gelman Library
202-994-6602

VISITOR CENTER HOURS:*

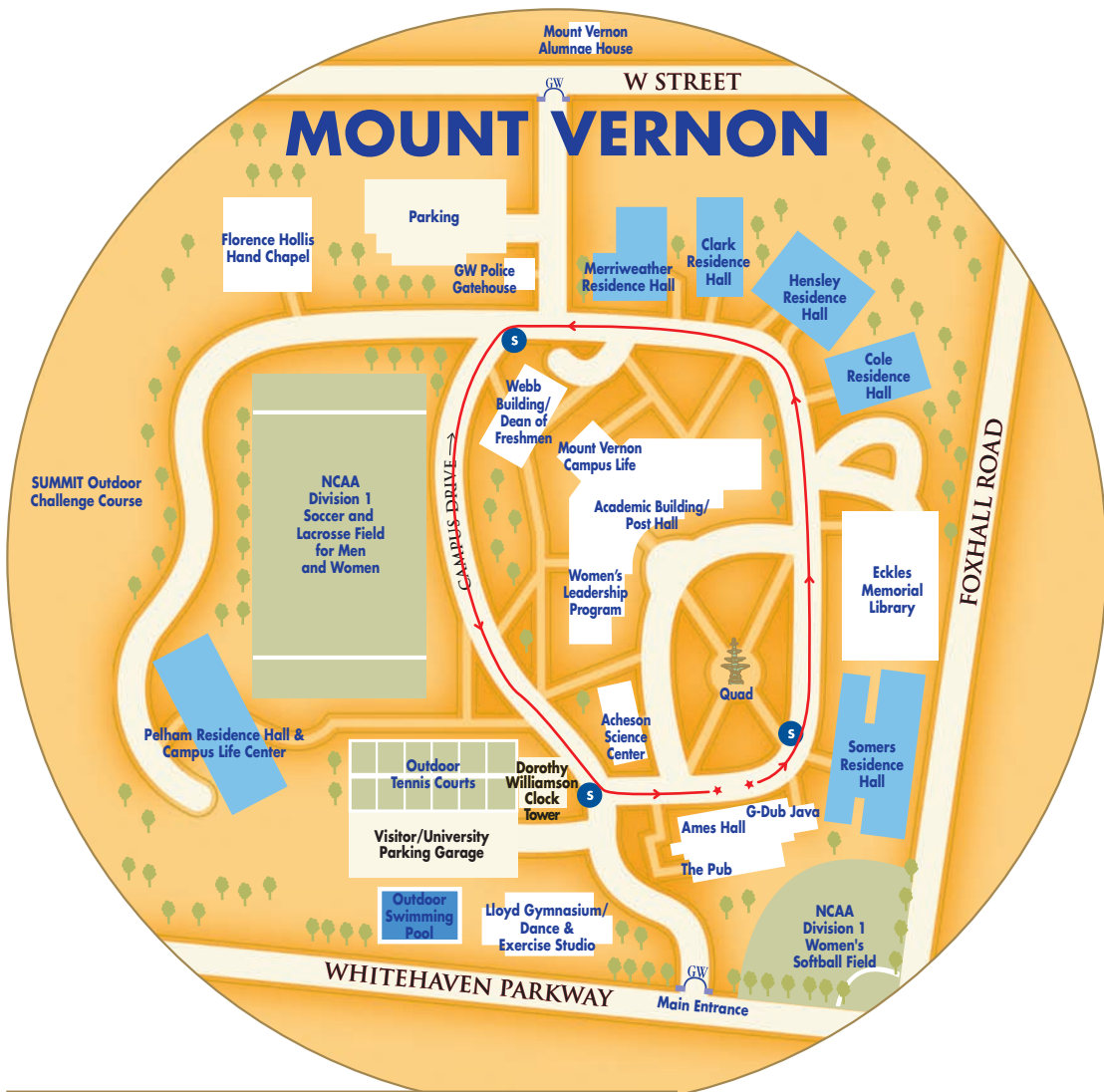
Monday through Friday:

9:00 am – 5:00 pm

Saturdays: (when classes are in session)

9:00 am – 4:00 pm

*Excluding holidays



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