

# Staying Connected with Campus Services



On a technical note, the ITC team will apply maintenance patches to all Windows servers managed by ITC on Sunday, July 11 from 8:00am to 12:00pm. During this time, Kronos, OnBase, Finance eForms and any ITC-managed systems running on a Windows server will be unavailable. Thanks for your patience during this work.

## Release of Strategic Master Plan

Dartmouth published this week its latest [Strategic Master Plan](#) entitled "Planning for Possibilities—Dartmouth's Strategic Campus Framework". Rather than prescribing specific projects for Trustee approval, this plan provides a framework for sustainable development and preservation of Dartmouth's landholdings over the next 30 years.

Development of the Master Plan was led by Campus Planner Joanna Whitcomb in partnership with architects and planners Beyer Blinder Belle. Together, they engaged over 2500 community members, gathering input on how the campus is used today and visions for its use in the future.

In a [Dartmouth News article](#), Joanna describes the plan as "a tool that will guide Dartmouth's leaders in making decisions." Take a few moments to read the plan on-line or view a copy at the Baker-Berry Library.

## Universal Meals at DDS

Dartmouth Dining is taking the next step to provide allergen-free meals at '53 Commons by joining the [Universal Meals](#) (UM) program. This free program offers simple recipes that are free of animal products, gluten, and all common allergens. To kick off the program for fall term, Dartmouth Dining will offer one of the universal meals recipes at the Herbivore station each meal period. Through the UM program, Dining will also collaborate with other universities to share their favorite allergen-free recipes. With over 400 students who have food allergies or intolerances on campus each term, this will be a welcome option.

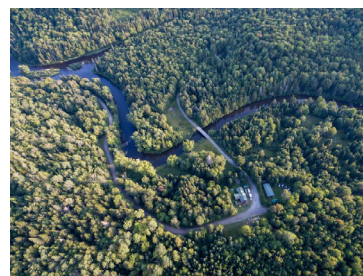
In the long run, nutritionist Beth Rosenberger "hopes to have a completely allergen-friendly station that meets the needs of students with food allergies and intolerance, Celiac disease, and Halal students."

## Second College Grant Research

Dartmouth's Second College Grant, located along the Maine border in northern NH, is widely recognized as a model forest of 27,000 acres where wilderness recreation, education, timber harvesting, and research are sustainably balanced. While recreational cabins were closed to visitors during the pandemic, a number of academic research projects have proceeded full-steam ahead under the direction of the [Woodlands Office](#).

One in particular is the Adaptive Silviculture for Climate Change (ASCC) study, now in its fourth of a 20-year grant period. According to the [ASCC website](#), project goals are "to test different silvicultural approaches to climate change adaptation that will also serve as useful examples across the country. The ASCC installation at the Second College Grant represents the largest, replicated silviculture experiment in the northeastern United States. As such, it has presented a unique opportunity to evaluate the impacts of adaptation strategies on a wide range of response variables associated with ecosystem processes and biodiversity."

What's fantastic about this particular study is the extent of participation of research partners from Dartmouth College; Cornell University; the state universities of VT, NH, ME, MA, FL; and the USDA Forest



*Aerial view of the Management Center and Sam's cabin (photo by E. Burakian)*

Service Northern Research Station. Under the umbrella of the ASCC study, a number of research projects are gathering data on tree species, vegetation, assisted migration, carbon sequestration and storage, and wildlife with plans for continuous monitoring and reporting in scientific journals over the next several decades.

Kevin Evans, Director of Dartmouth College Woodlands, said "Research is a critical component of our educational efforts here. The ASCC project has allowed us to incorporate critical climate change research into our continuous sustainable timber management program."