

AUTUMN

In autumn, trees around Red Square start to change colors and shadows lengthen. Many students see this space for the first time. Winds blow primarily from the south-west and are deflected away from plaza areas by buildings in the area. Rain begins to fall in earnest and soon the plaza becomes a space for passing through, not lingering.



WINTER

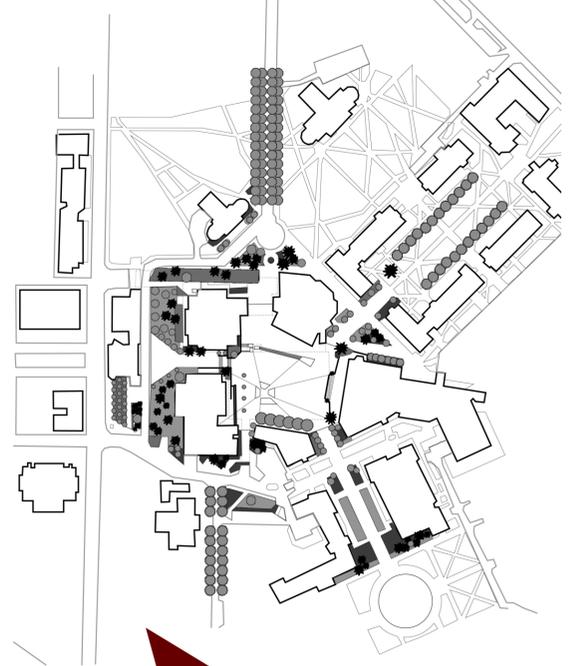
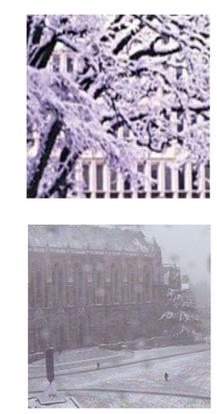
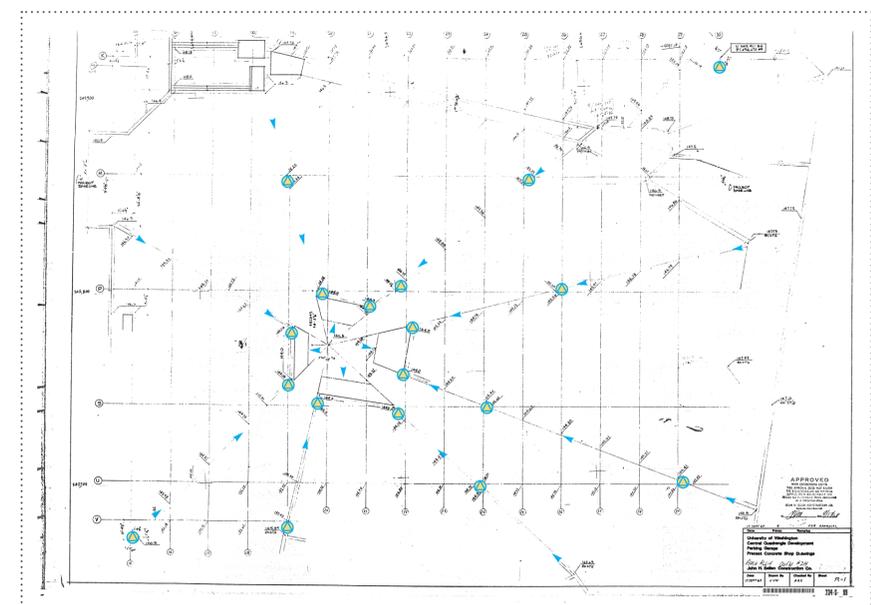
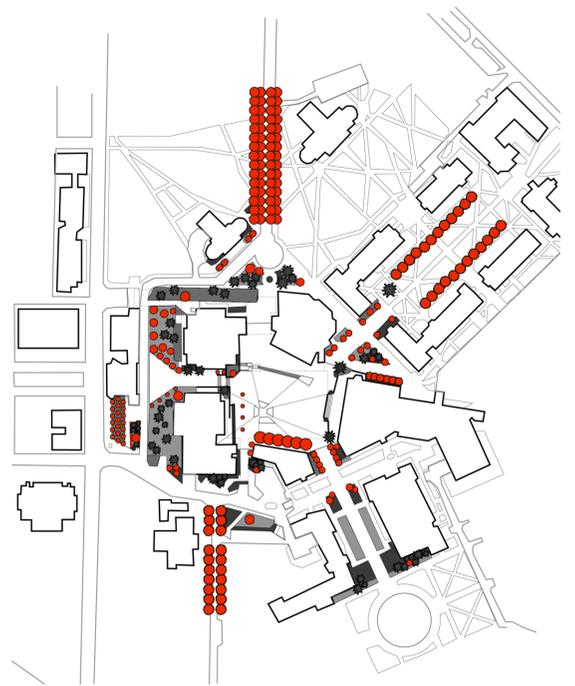
Rain and shadows dominate the Red Square area in the winter time. Puddles form in the north-west corner of the main plaza as well as between Meany Hall and the lower entrance to Odegaard Library. Winds from the west are especially felt in the deep shadows between Meany and Odegaard.

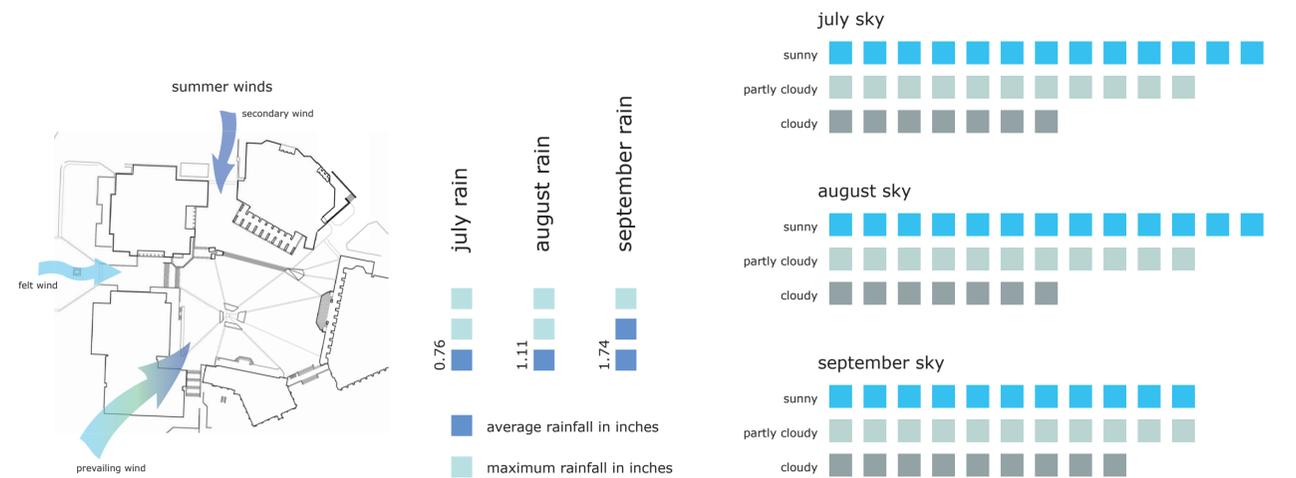
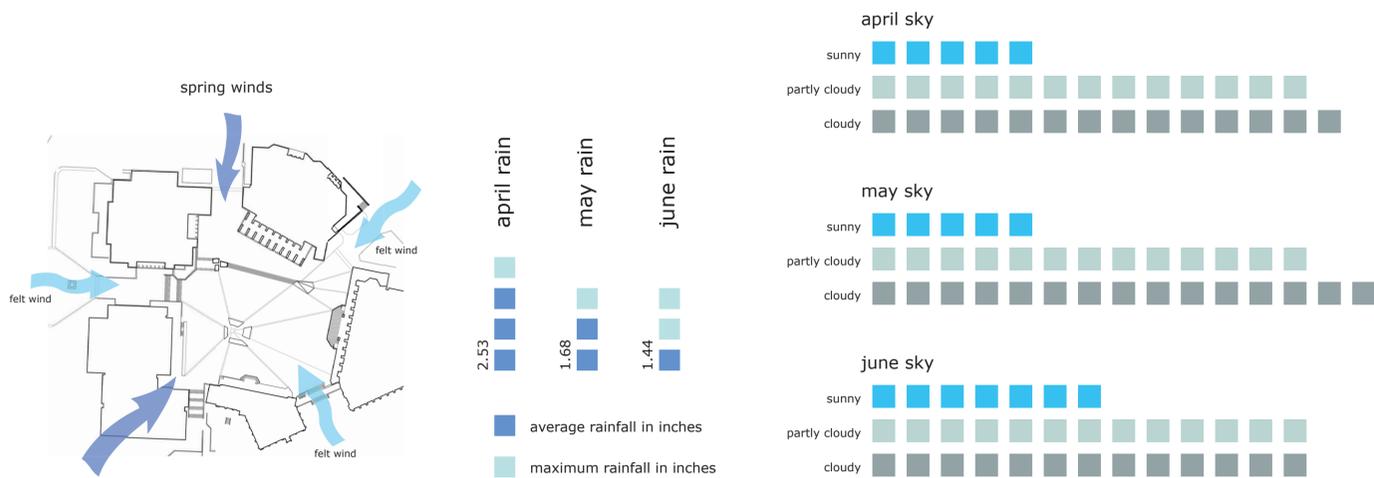


PLANT ASSOCIATION MASTER PLAN
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CAMPUS PLANT ZONES

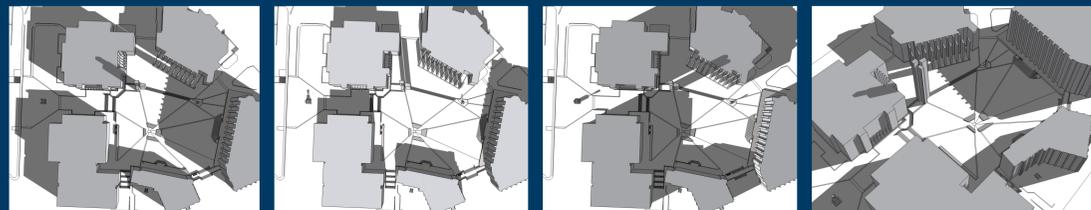
The University of Washington has defined plant zones that determine the plant palettes used in different parts of campus. Red Square and its surrounding area are part of the Mixed Pacific Rim (Northern Hemisphere) plant zone, which means that plants native to the Pacific Northwest or the Pacific Rim are preferred.





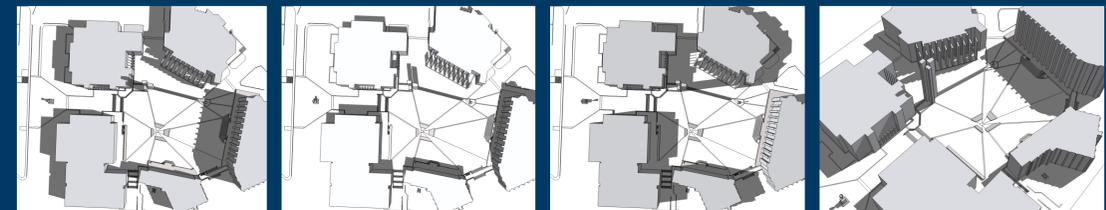
SPRING

In spring, winds are variable, more sunlight enters the plaza, and rain decreases significantly. Winds from the west, south-east, and north-east are strengthened due to the funneling effect of the buildings surrounding the Red Square plaza. In the quad nearby, the cherry trees blossom.



SUMMER

In summer, sunlight pervades the main plaza and students congregate on the steps outside Kane Hall. Green vegetation surrounding the Red Square area contrasts with the redness of the tiles themselves. This is by far the most enjoyable season to be in Red Square. As school begins, the university pitches temporary tents to welcome students back to another school year.



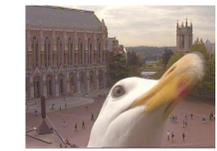
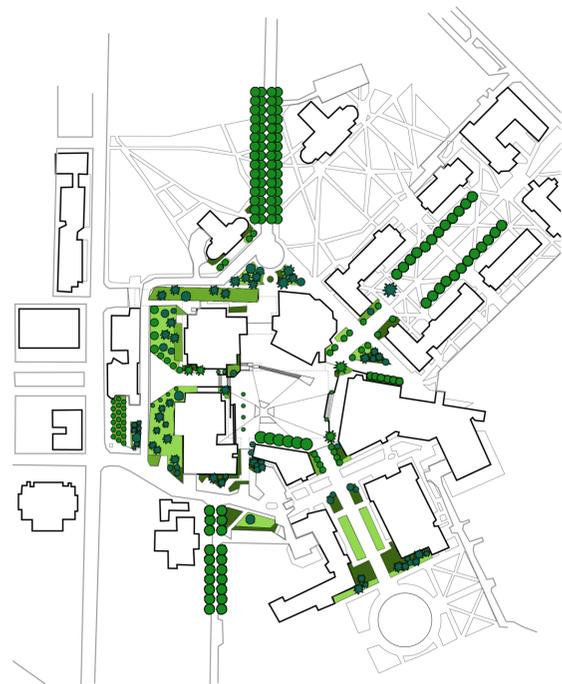
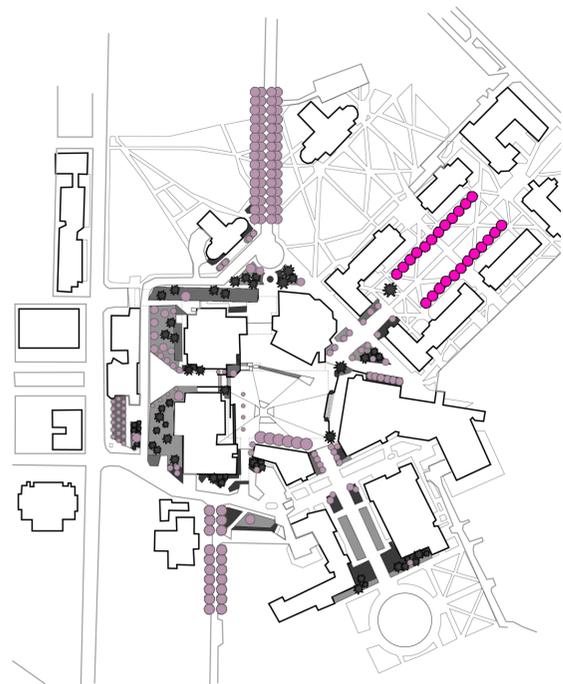
Vegetation scaled as **bridge** between people and building



Vegetation scaled as **buffer** between people and building



Vegetation scaled as **barrier** between people and building



WILDLIFE IN RED SQUARE

Animals in the Red Square area include seagulls, crows, sparrows, pigeons, squirrels and rats. Birds tend to congregate on the rooftop of Odegaard Library, where they can perch in the sunlight throughout the year. Sparrows nest in shrubs and have been seen flitting from tree to tree near Meany Hall.

Rats, of course, come out during the night and are attracted to the trash cans in the area. Squirrels and crows are also drawn to trash cans and appear during the day.



ENVIRONMENTAL CONDITIONS

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