

VII. Other Resources and Organizations

A. Cultural Resources

1. Fine Arts Center

The Fine Arts Center is a regional cultural center which serves the campus community and Western Massachusetts with nationally recognized performing and visual arts events, multicultural and educational programs. The Center has a twenty-year history of designing and implementing programs which present a world view of the arts. Among its many services to the community is a long-term commitment to educational programs for students in the Five Colleges and for area school children. In recent years, these programs have been expanded to include partnerships with community centers in Western Massachusetts, the public schools of Springfield, and Greenfield Community College. The Center is one of the University's premiere cultural and outreach programs.

- a. **Performing Arts:** Comprehensive in scope, the Center Series features national and international artists in classical music, dance, theater, Broadway, jazz, and popular events. The New WORLD Theater has a national reputation as a presenter and producer of works by playwrights of color. Performing arts at the Center also include Residential Arts at Hampden Theater, Asian Dance and Music, Magic Triangle Jazz series, the summer Bright Moments Festival, and Concerts for Young People, which brings 8,000 school age children annually to campus.
- b. **Visual Arts:** The University Gallery is nationally recognized for its contemporary art installations. Exhibitions specialize in sculptural installations and works of art on paper. The gallery frequently tours its shows nationally and produces professional catalogues which are exchanged with peer institutions and sold to the general public. It houses a permanent collection of 2500 works of art on paper. Three smaller galleries- Hampden, Augusta Savage, and Wheeler- regularly present regional and local artists, B.F.A. students, faculty, and multicultural exhibitions.
- c. **Multicultural Programs:** The Center reflects its longstanding commitment to multicultural presentations through the Asian Dance and Music program, Jazz in July, the Black Musicians Conference, New WORLD Theater, Workshops in Improvisation, Augusta Savage Gallery, and Bright Moments Festival. These programs are dedicated to the celebration of diverse cultures through drama, music, and the visual arts.
- d. **Educational Programs:** Many performances and exhibitions are integrated whenever possible with workshops/clinics, residencies, and symposia which provides opportunities for personal growth and education in the arts. The interdisciplinary general education course, The Lively Arts, integrates classroom experience with performances and exhibitions for 500 students annually. The Performing Arts Division, certified by the National Guild of Community Schools of the Arts, offers classes in music, dance, and theater for UMass students and the general public.

The center also presents a number of workshops and master classes on the campuses of Amherst, Mount Holyoke, Hampshire, and Smith colleges. Outreach activities also include events at community centers and schools and the new ARTSTART educational intervention partnership with the public schools of Springfield, Massachusetts.

e. University Arts Council: The Arts Council provides resource networking and grants to 50 or more campus cultural groups annually. The Council is funded primarily through the student arts fee and administered by an appointed representative body that includes six undergraduate students, three graduate students, one alumnus, six faculty members, and two professional staff members. The University Arts Council supports diverse forms of artistic expression which complement a liberal arts education. The Council also maintains several of the public art sites in collaboration with Physical Plant, the Department of Landscape Architecture and Regional Planning, and the Council's student gardening staff.

2. Campus Art Galleries

a. Augusta Savage Gallery

The Augusta Savage Memorial Art Gallery, located in New Africa House, is one of the oldest established art galleries on campus. It is co-sponsored by the Fine Arts Center and the Department of Afro-American Studies.

b. Herter Hall Gallery

The Herter Art Gallery is the official Art Department gallery and as such is most concerned with the visual literacy of students and the general public. It exhibits works of students and professional artists from around the world.

c. Hampden Gallery

Established in 1979, Hampden Gallery was the first of the University's Residential Arts Galleries. In addition to featuring regular exhibits by Five College faculty, graduate, and undergraduate students, the gallery includes in its schedule work by emerging artists from New York City and the New England region.

d. Student Union Art Gallery

The Student Union Art Gallery emphasizes the exhibit of degree project works by Bachelor of Fine Arts and Master of Fine Arts candidates. The gallery familiarizes students with gallery exhibition procedures by giving them hands-on work experience in planning, installing, and publicizing a professional quality show of their works.

e. The University Gallery

The University Gallery presents the most active and progressive exhibition program of contemporary art in the Pioneer Valley. The gallery is nationally recognized for its sculptural installations, works of art on paper, and traveling exhibitions.

f. Wheeler Art Gallery

The newest of the University's galleries, Wheeler Gallery in the Central Residential Area provides graduate and undergraduate students with exhibition space for their work in a variety of media, while facilitating interaction among the local students, staff, faculty, and art communities.

3. Residential Arts Program

The Residential Arts Program provides cultural programs in unique spaces throughout the University's residence hall system. Facilities used include Hampden Theater, Hampden Gallery, Wheeler Gallery, and the University Health Services Gallery, in addition to non-traditional spaces such as dining commons, lounges, and snack bars. The emphasis of Residential Arts Programming has been on showcasing new and experimental works while maintaining programming dedicated to arts of historical, ethnic, social, and multicultural significance. Residential Arts also has a commitment to provide students with workshops and residencies by professional artists with a wide range of experience.

B. Institutional Support and Services

1. Ombuds Office

The Ombuds Office was established to assist any member of the University community in resolving a University-related problem or grievance which is not being redressed through normal channels. The Ombuds Office can frequently secure needed information and a reasonable outcome where delay or disagreement is a problem. The Ombudsperson can also function as neutral intermediary in disputes and can often facilitate an informal settlement when formal procedures fail. In addition, the Ombuds Office can answer general questions about the University or refer you to the appropriate person or agency for further information. Communications with the office are confidential. Although appointments are not required, it is suggested that you call to arrange a convenient time to meet with the Ombudsperson or the Assistant Ombudsperson.

2. Office of Institutional Research (OIR)

The Office of Institutional Research (OIR) conducts a systematic and on-going analysis of academic processes and outcomes and the factors influencing them. OIR provides information to assist with the internal allocation of academic resources, to support planning processes, and to fulfill reporting requirements to various external agencies. In addition, OIR responds, on an on-going basis, to a large number of ad hoc requests for information regarding institutional characteristics submitted by individuals and agencies both on and off the Amherst campus. OIR

publications include:

- ◆ The Factbook (annual). A reference document for the campus including enrollment, faculty, finances, degrees granted, and other aspects of institutional activity. Comparisons over time are presented when possible.
- ◆ Admissions and Enrollment Report (each semester). A descriptive report offering both a profile of admitted students by school and college and a detailed listing of student majors and course enrollments by departments.
- ◆ UMass At a Glance (annual). One page document specifying basic student faculty and staff, and finance data.
- ◆ Miscellaneous factsheets (annual/semesterly). One page documents covering a range of topics.

Members of the campus community with research, evaluation, and analysis needs relevant to OIR's mission are invited to visit OIR at 237 Whitmore Administration Building.

3. Office of Academic Planning and Assessment

The Office of Academic Planning and Assessment (OAPA) provides services to Academic Affairs and the campus in several areas:

- ◆ Managing the strategic planning process within Academic Affairs, and working with planning processes at the campus and system levels;
- ◆ Organizing institutional and comparative data to support decision making on the part of the Provost and other senior administrators; and
- ◆ Leading a comprehensive student assessment program, providing insight into the factors related to student success and underpinning student choices.

The Office works with faculty and academic departments in a variety of ways. Together with the Office of Institutional Research, OAPA provides information and analysis in response to individual inquires, and can offer assistance in locating sources of off-campus information. The Office works with departments in developing specific assessment strategies as needed (for example, to respond to requirements of disciplinary accrediting agencies). The Office also publishes a series of assessment bulletins highlighting results of campus research. Any faculty member will be added to the mailing list upon request.

4. Office of the Vice Chancellor for University Advancement

a. Alumni Relations Office

The Alumni Relations Office in Memorial Hall develops and implements a broad range of programs, events, and services that will be of interest to a diverse constituency, and encourages continued participation in University affairs.

Staff attention in the next few years will be concentrated on providing service in the following areas:

1) club development (both geographic and special interest); 2) strengthening the Alumni Association; 3) reunions (anniversary class and special interest); 4) improving relations between academic departments and their alumni.

b. Office of Development

The Office of Development, in Memorial Hall, identifies, cultivates, and solicits private funds for the University. Since 1986, this office has grown from a relatively small and undifferentiated program into one which more closely resembles fund-raising operations at other major public universities. Thus, the Development Office now has distinct programs in Leadership Giving (gifts ranging between \$1,000 and \$25,000), Major Giving (gifts of more than \$25,000), Planned Giving (philanthropy associated with estate planning), and Corporate and Foundation Giving. The office also supports fund-raising programs in Humanities and Fine Arts, Social and Behavioral Sciences, Management, Engineering, Food and Natural Resources, and Natural Sciences and Mathematics, Nursing, Public Health, Education, and the Library.

c. Community Relations and Special Events

Located in 390 Whitmore, Community Relations promotes stronger partnerships between the University and its surrounding communities, and includes special initiatives with the town of Amherst, the Fairview and Lincoln Avenue neighborhoods, and the city of Springfield. Special Events is responsible for the ceremonial occasions sponsored by the Chancellor or University Advancement that promote the University to all its key constituents.

d. COMEC

COMEC (Commonwealth of Massachusetts Employees Campaign) is the response to a 1986 governor's mandate that all state offices conduct an annual charitable campaign. The campaign, coordinated through the state's Executive Office for Administration and Finance, raises money for more than 400 state, national, and international agencies. At the University, COMEC is managed through Community Relations, 390 Whitmore.

e. The Ambassadors Network

The Ambassadors Network, located in 390 Whitmore, is the statewide network of UMass Amherst alumni, parents, faculty, staff, and friends who actively work to influence public opinion about the University of Massachusetts and public higher education. The University tracks issues and trends and condenses these wide-ranging facts and figures into basic information on which advocates can act. Ambassadors take that information and once a month contact their state legislators, editors of newspapers, or other opinion leaders about a specific issue. Approximately 700 ambassadors across Massachusetts take the same action at the same

time. By coordinating the activity of the many people in the Commonwealth who wish to help the campus, the Ambassadors can have a significant impact on the way Massachusetts views its state university.

f. Communications

This division promotes the University's mission and programs through the vehicles of print and electronic media. Specific areas include the News Office, *Campus Chronicle*, *Massachusetts Magazine*, Publications, and Photographic Services (see p.31).

g. News Office

The News Office, in 200 Munson Hall, is the liaison between the campus and the public at large via the news media at the local, regional, and national levels. The News Office develops and markets stories highlighting the accomplishments, research, and expertise of faculty. Services include press releases and advice on talking to reporters. Faculty members are encouraged to notify the News Office with newsworthy items. Periodically, the News Office publishes a book listing various faculty members and their fields for distribution to the media. The News Office also publishes a booklet describing its services and providing media advice. Faculty who have not received the booklet may call to request one. The News Office also compiles a list of newspaper clips on a daily basis. A summary of these clips is available electronically in the Internet through OIT (Office of Information Technologies--University Computing Services) at umass.news.amherst or through UIS (University Information Services) in Whitmore at um.amh.news.

h. *Campus Chronicle*

The *Campus Chronicle*, located in 205 Munson Hall, is a weekly newspaper for the Amherst campus faculty and staff. The paper contains news of interest to the campus community, an events calendar, on-campus professional job announcements, personnel news, and official and unofficial notices. It is delivered free to all campus departments on Thursdays and is intended to be distributed to all faculty and staff. The Vice Chancellor for University Advancement is the official publisher of the newspaper. The *Campus Chronicle* editor determines what is published. News submissions are accepted at the office in Munson Hall or by e-mail: Campus.Chronicle@urd.umass.edu. The submission deadline is Friday of the week preceding publication.

i. *Massachusetts Magazine*

"Massachusetts: The Magazine for Alumni & Friends of the University," with offices in Munson Hall, is the flagship publication of the University's external communication effort. Although this quarterly magazine (circulation approximately 140,000) is also distributed to faculty and staff, it is published primarily for four categories of off-campus readers: alumni; parents of undergraduates; donors and other friends of the University; and opinion leaders such as business

executives and elected officials. The goal of *Massachusetts Magazine* is to foster good will toward the University and encourage readers to take pride in their UMass affiliation. The magazine combines high quality writing, photography, and illustration in an attractively designed package that delivers a message, both explicit and implicit, about the excellence of the University. Among the topics covered in Massachusetts are: faculty accomplishments in the humanities, fine arts, natural sciences, social sciences, and professional schools and colleges; the achievements of outstanding alumni; special contributions to the institution by students, staff, and others; the work of distinguished visiting scholars, scientists, and artists; the involvement of the University and its people in issues affecting the Commonwealth, the nation, and the world; news of campus life today, and nostalgic glimpses of the past.

With special sections devoted to student athletics, University families, Alumni Association events, and books by faculty and alumni authors, as well as an extensive Class Notes section in which alumni share news of their lives and careers, the magazine offers a multifaceted picture of the educational quality, intellectual excitement, social engagement, creative activity, and plain fun that gives the University its distinctive personality.

j. Publications

The Publications Office, in Munson Hall, is charged with the responsibility of creating and maintaining the editorial and graphic standards of the University. Its purpose is to provide all necessary design, editorial, and production assistance required for all publications bearing the name, seal, or logo of the University. Its editorial, design, typesetting, and production staff helps other departments produce professional and effective publications. The goal of the Publications Office is to help meet particular communication needs with precisely focused writing and graphic design. The office strives to maintain a consistently high level of design and editorial style in all University publications, including catalogs, brochures, pamphlets, flyers, and posters.

Departments are encouraged to contact the Publications Office before embarking on their projects, whether for advice or for creation of a major student recruitment series. Clients are assisted by editors, designers, and photographers on all aspects of publication work. Competitive cost estimates are provided to secure lowest prices, and, if production schedules can accommodate a specific publication, the office oversees the entire production process. Costs are estimated in a pre-production conference.

k. State Government Relations

State Government Relations, located in 390 Whitmore, serves as the liaison between the Amherst campus and the executive and legislative branches of state government. The office is responsible for drafting, analyzing, monitoring, and influencing legislation, and also planning and implementing appropriate government relations activities designed to broaden the understanding and support of the University within state government. The office staff members serve as the primary advisors to the Chancellor regarding legislative issues and interaction with state policy makers. This ranges from counsel about major campus policies and issues and how

they relate to with state government, to arranging meetings between the Chancellor and appropriate officials. In addition, the staff are in frequent contact with their counterparts at the President's Office and the other four campuses, and meet periodically to share information and coordinate activities. This office provides information to legislators and other state officials and responds to problems experienced by legislators' constituents. A systematic process is set up to inform legislators about students from their districts who receive various awards, graduate from the University, or are recognized in some way for distinguished performance.

5. Conference Services

Conference Services is the sole agency on the Amherst campus charged with planning, coordinating, and maximizing the use of campus facilities for conferences. Faculty are encouraged to use Conference Services for all their conference needs.

6. Campus Mail Services

A free campus mail service is provided for transmitting communications pertaining to University and Five College business. University mail is delivered by the Central Mailing Office located in Goodell Building. Mail pick-up and delivery stations are located in most buildings and departments on campus. The University Labeling Center, in South College, offers high-speed machine application of address labels, eliminating the labor-intensive costs associated with manual affixing of mailing labels. Cost-saving bulk mail sorting is also provided.

7. Campus Parking System

The University's Amherst campus parking system operates surface permit parking, metered parking, and garage parking. (Parking regulations are enforced Monday through Friday from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m.) Some parking areas require a permit at all times. These include any posted reserve space, and lots 21, 29, 47, 50, and 54, Lincoln Apartments, University Apartments, and North Village. Unless otherwise specified, posted tow zones are enforced by ticketing and towing 24 hours a day. Unless you park at a meter or in the parking garage, you must register your vehicle with the Campus Parking Office. A parking permit will be issued for a specific vehicle and will be valid in a specific location. For more information on parking regulations, please contact the Campus Parking Office, tel. 545-0065.

C. Personal Services and Resources

1. Everywoman's Center

Everywoman's Center, in Wilder Hall, offers women at the Five Colleges and in the community a wide range of programs and services. These include programming directed at violence against women, and a 24-hour crisis line, tel. 545-0800, for victims of violence, including sexual assault. Counseling, information and referral, and programs for working women, Third World women, re-entry, and women graduate students are available, as are housing, child-care, and job listings,

and a library of more than a thousand books by and about women.

2. University Women

University Women is an organization open to women faculty and professional staff members and to spouses of faculty and professional staff. University Women sponsors general meetings, service committees, and special interest sections. There is no University Women office on campus. For contact information, call the Office of University Advancement, tel. 545-4200.

3. University Women's Professional Network

The University Women's Professional Network (UWPN) is a network of professional, classified and faculty women on the Amherst campus. The two major aims of the group are: 1) to share information and provide support among members through professional development, employment leads, resources, work-related referrals, informal information exchange; and 2) to promote a more thorough understanding of the function and operation of the University through formal and informal communication between members.

UWPN meets at the Campus Center for 1 1/2 hours every month, usually at a luncheon meeting with a featured speaker. Some previous topics have included: Women in Higher Education; Successful Financial Investing; Networking; Asian Students at UMass; and Women as Effective Managers. The goal of the organization is to include all University women who believe they could benefit from and contribute to the network. UWPN is committed to promoting racial and cultural diversity both within the organization and within the larger University community. Faculty women should consider this organization a forum in which to increase their professional development at the University.

4. University Health Services

University Health Services (UHS) provides or arranges for comprehensive health services for students and their families through the Student Health Plan, and for faculty, staff, and their families through one of the several plans offered to University employees. In addition, UHS provides health services to students enrolled in Hampshire and Amherst Colleges as a part of Five College cooperation. UHS is responsible for providing Occupational Health. University Health Services also provides job-related services to faculty and staff in the following areas:

Urgent Care, available when indicated for the initial treatment of a work-related injury or for a medical crisis which arose on campus. Treatment normally is limited to first aid, medical evaluation, and initial care. When more extensive treatment or extended follow-up is necessary, patients are referred to their personal physicians or to Cooley Dickinson Hospital.

Travel immunizations, available when required as a condition of study or travel for academic or other professional programs which are directly related to University responsibilities. This service is not provided in preparation for travel which is primarily for personal interest, and cannot be

extended to faculty and staff dependents, even in the case of professional travel.

Immunizations, for special work-related hazards and for protection against impending epidemics which might interfere seriously with the program of instruction, available to those faculty and staff members involved.

Families of faculty and staff are not included in the above provisions except for first aid consistent with the responsibility of the medical profession to any person in acute need.

5. Employee Assistance Program

The Employee Assistance Program (EAP) is a resource for all faculty and staff members. The program provides confidential consultation, evaluation, assessment, referral, and follow-up services for a wide variety of personal and physical problems which may affect an individual's life at work. Issues include marital or family concerns, stress or emotional crisis, alcohol or drug abuse, relationship problems, grief and loss, and financial or legal problems. The EAP is located at the University Health Center, and its services are free to all faculty members. All contacts with the EAP are confidential and will not be disclosed without written permission. For more information or to make an appointment, call the EAP, tel. 545-0350.

6. Disability Services

Disability Services is available to provide services to anyone with a documented visual, hearing, mobility or medical disability. We provide a range of services beginning with the transition from secondary to postsecondary education and continuing throughout the college experiences. Accommodations are determined on an individual basis. The following are the most frequently requested services: accessible classrooms, tutoring program, academic accommodations, adaptive equipment, personal assistance services, counseling and advocacy, awareness workshops, adaptive computer equipment, and communication access. For further information call 545-0892.

7. Psychological Services Center

The Psychological Services Center, 123 Tobin Hall, is part of an accredited program for the training of graduate clinical psychologists and is the primary resource for their clinical and community experiences. The program is approved by the American Psychological Association. Members of the Psychology Department's Clinical Psychology Program are actively involved in the center. The center offers psychological services to adults, children, and families without age or residence restrictions and with fees based on ability to pay. Many forms of psychotherapy are available, including individual, couples, family, and group therapy. Psychological and educational assessments are also available. The center responds to direct requests for services from prospective clients as well as to referrals from agencies and other professionals. In all cases, strict confidentiality is maintained. Consultation and educational services are also provided to other agencies and institutions in the community.

8. Speech, Language, and Hearing Clinical Services

Speech, language, and hearing clinical services are provided by the Communication Disorders Department, Arnold House. Services are available to University students with speech, language, and hearing problems which may affect their professional performance and social adjustment. As a contribution to the needs of the community and surrounding areas, speech therapy services are offered to children and adults with the following disorders: severe articulation defects, delayed speech, stuttering, voice problems, cleft palate, cerebral palsy, laryngectomy, aphasia, and language and hearing impairments. Audiological assessment of both children and adults with impaired hearing, including hearing aid counseling, is available, as is rehabilitation in auditory training speech (lip) reading.

9. Child Care System

The University provides child care services on a sliding-fee basis to approximately 78 children of students, faculty, and staff. Services are provided through two child care centers, with one single program. The centers have a parent advisory board. The Child Care Office is located in 112 Berkshire House.

10. Commuter Services and Housing Resources Center

Commuter Services and Housing Resources Center, 428 Student Union, is a student-funded housing resource center. Services are extensive, free, and open to all members of the University community. The Rental Listing Service is the largest rental listing service of Amherst and the towns surrounding the campus. Abbreviated descriptions of available listings are posted on-line through the World Wide Web homepage: <http://www-unix.oit.umass.edu/~cshrc/>. Customized renter packages will be sent to all incoming faculty and staff upon request.

Faculty and staff seeking or offering sabbatical housing may also take advantage of the following services: personalized housing/tenant search, computerized listing service, and sabbatical property management. Additional services of interest to faculty and staff include: Pioneer Valley Oil Cooperative, the Homesharing Program, Informational and Referral Services, Voter Registration, and Grievance Mediation and Advocacy.

11. Training and Development Unit/Division of Human Resources

The Training and Development Unit of the Division of Human Resources is located in 506 Goodell. Three programs associated with this office are Employee Training, Labor/Management Workplace Education, and Organizational Development. The first two programs offer professional and personal training and educational opportunities to University employees; and the third program provides departments with customized training and consultation services to improve effectiveness.

D. Other Resources

1. Campus Center/Student Union

The Campus Center/Student Union Building is the "community center" of the Amherst campus. It houses services and amenities for the student body, University community, and guests. The Campus Center includes a hotel, meeting rooms for student organizations, a music listening room, study lounges, automatic teller machines and check cashing facilities, barber shop, travel agency, Peter Pan bus ticket office, print shop, catering services, and a vending program. The University Store on the main concourse carries a full line of school supplies, personal computers, clothing, gifts, tradebooks, and stationery. Located in the Student Union Building are a Post Office Substation, Student Credit Union, Mini-Store, Game Room, and Art Gallery. In addition, there are key services for students which include the Commuter Services and Housing Resource Center, Crafts Shop with photo darkrooms, offices for Registered Student Organizations (RSO), and the Student Activities Office (SAO).

2. Faculty Club

The Faculty Club is housed in two colonial houses which are among the oldest structures in Amherst. The Club consists of several dining rooms open for breakfast and lunch and a fully stocked bar open during lunch and in the later afternoon. The Club has a number of private meeting rooms and two recreational rooms for bridge, pool, and ping-pong. Members may reserve rooms for meetings, seminars, and private or semi-private functions. Membership in the Club is open to faculty and professional staff, and benefits include charge accounts (billed monthly), and a fifteen percent discount on all food purchases at the Club. Members are also entitled to special parking permits which allow them to park in one of the largest parking lots near the Faculty Club during designated hours. The Club is governed by an elected group of officers and a governing board, and is managed by Auxiliary Services through a management agreement with the Club's board of directors.

3. Bus Services

The University of Massachusetts Transit Service is one of the nation's largest and most successful no-fare transit systems. Eighteen-hour-a-day service is provided to six communities within a 15-mile radius of the University, as well as to Amherst, Mount Holyoke, Smith, and Hampshire colleges, and around the University campus. Current bus schedules are usually published in the Collegian at the beginning of each semester.

4. UMass/Five College Federal Credit Union

The UMass/Five College Federal Credit Union is located at Newmarket Center, 6 University Drive, Amherst, tel. 549-7400. The Credit Union is a full service not-for-profit financial institution serving faculty and staff on all five University of Massachusetts campuses, the other schools in the Five College community, and the Clarke School for the Deaf, Kaiser Permanente

and the Hadley Office of the United States Department of the Interior Fish and Wildlife Service. Credit unions are owned by and operated for their members. A board of directors elected by the membership controls the policies of the Credit Union. A payroll deduction/direct deposit plan is available.

5. Commonwealth of Massachusetts Credit Union

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts Credit Union is located at 2 Boylston Street, Boston, MA 02116. Membership is open to all state employees. A minimum deposit of \$25 is required to establish an account. For more information, contact the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Credit Union, tel. (617) 451-0980.

6. Five College Radio (WFCR 88.5 FM)

WFCR 88.5 FM is a non-commercial National Public Radio affiliate serving approximately 100,000 listeners in Western New England. The station is licensed to the University of Massachusetts and operates with the advice and support of Amherst, Hampshire, Mount Holyoke, and Smith colleges as Five College Radio. WFCR provides an outstanding service of culturally exciting, informative, and provocative radio programs, which draw on the talents, concerns, and issues of Western New England. Nearly 50 percent of the station's broadcast schedule is produced locally.

7. Student-Organized Radio (WMUA 91.1 FM)

This student-funded and student-organized radio station with an office in Room 102, Campus Center, tel. 545-2876, transmits a variety of programs of interest to the campus and surrounding communities. The types of music programs on WMUA include folk, gospel, rock, polish, jazz, and blues. Most major University basketball games, football games, and other sporting events are broadcast live, both home and away.

8. *The Massachusetts Daily Collegian*

New England's largest college daily newspaper, the *Massachusetts Daily Collegian* was founded in 1890 and has been published daily during the academic year since 1967. The newspaper is independent from the University, and is run entirely by students.

9. Use of Athletic Facilities

As a faculty member you may use a number of the University's athletic facilities (e.g., swimming pools, racquetball courts, weight rooms) during specified hours. A validation sticker, which is affixed to your faculty identification card, is available on a fee-per-semester basis at the Intramural Office in Boyden Building. For further information please contact the Intramural Office, tel. 545-0022. Spouses and domestic partners are eligible to use some of the athletic facilities by purchasing a pass on a fee-per-semester basis.

10. Mullins Center

The Mullins Center is a multipurpose facility. Faculty members may receive discounts for some events at the center. The Mullins Center Ice Rink has seven regulation racquetball courts available for use by University faculty, staff, and students. The olympic-size ice rink is open year round for public skating at designated hours.

11. Mass Buying Power

The University of Massachusetts participates in the MASS Buying Power Program which enables University faculty members to receive a discount on items such as automobiles, home furnishings, appliances, electronics, and travel services. For further information contact MASS Buying Power, tel. (617) 770-0300.

E. Town of Amherst

Founded in 1658, the Town of Amherst is described as "rural-cosmopolitan." Situated 90 miles west of Boston, 150 miles north of New York City, and 25 miles south of Vermont and New Hampshire, Amherst residents enjoy a rich cultural life, while the traditional New England environment of nearby farms, orchards, and winding hill roads reflects a warm country setting. Amherst, with its neighboring towns and cities in the Pioneer Valley, is known nationally as an excellent center for higher education. The population of Amherst in the 1990 state census was 35,228.