

Young Commons Garden



Perhaps the largest designated garden space within the Elon University Botanical Garden, the Young Commons quad is 3.4 acres located in the center of campus. This is considered the main quad and is pictured in numerous university communications. In the late 1990's the quad received its rolling hills to break up the otherwise flat landscape. The space officially received its name in October of 2000 in honor of former President Fred and his wife Phyllis Young for their contributions to the university. The garden encompasses the planting beds around Young Commons, the front of Moseley, Belk Library, and Koury Fitness Center

Of the 3.4 acres 125 million turfgrass plants make up the lawn which equates to over 444 million blades of grass. The quad is primarily used for university functions as well as an area for students to enjoy the open outdoor space. The most prominent feature of the garden other than the vast lawn space is the seasonal annual oval flower bed. An array of colors fills the oval throughout the year. This garden is also home the start and finish of the Trees of Elon Tree Trail.