

# Location of the University

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The University is located in Valdosta, a city of approximately 55,000 in south-central Georgia. It can easily be reached from three exits of I-75 and is convenient to shopping areas, a variety of restaurants, and movie theaters. The Valdosta area is served by the Valdosta Regional Airport and by the airports in Tallahassee and Jacksonville, Florida. The campuses, located less than a mile apart, include more than 368 acres of land.

The 96-acre Main Campus faces North Patterson Street, one of the city's main thoroughfares. Approximately 10 blocks north is the North Campus, and approximately 4 blocks south is the South Campus. Other units of the University are located in satellite facilities adjacent to the campus and along Patterson Street. The campuses and principal satellite buildings are connected by the University bus service, operating regularly throughout each class day.

The campuses of Valdosta State are widely recognized for their exceptional beauty. Flowering plants include a variety of camellias, azaleas, redbud, and dogwood located amid tall pines, palms, and oaks spaced throughout the landscaped grounds.

The Jewel Whitehead Camellia Trail is believed to be the only such trail on a university campus in the nation. Located in the northwest area of the Main Campus, more than 1100 camellias of many varieties form a winding trail through the towering pines. The trail was a 1944 Christmas gift to the University from the late Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Whitehead of Valdosta.