



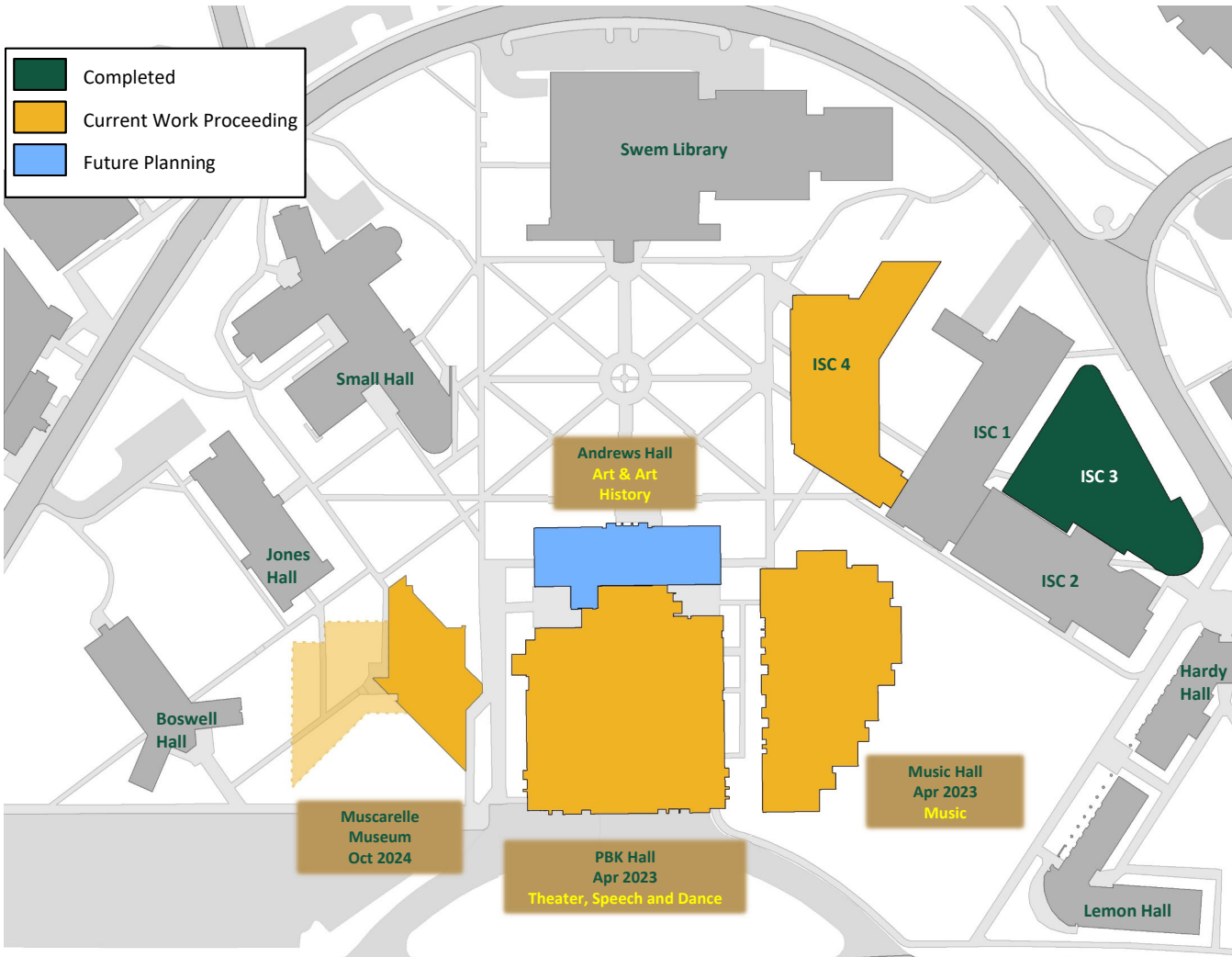
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# ARTS QUARTER UPDATE

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# COMPUTING & DATA SCIENCE

# GROWTH



W&M has been experiencing an explosion of student interest in the computational fields, which have more than tripled in the last 10 years, going from 219 declared majors in 2011 to 722 in 2021



Computer Science and Data Science have together grown almost 70% in declared majors since 2020

# APPROACH



To support this growth and secure future enrollments consistently with Vision 2026, W&M is exploring the creation of a new academic unit in Computing and Data Science



An exploratory design team with representation from all five schools plus relevant university domains has been formed and internal discussion among three core departments is under way



Next steps include conceptualizing a proposed model, consultation with faculty and other constituency groups, and planning for internal and external approval processes

# TIMELINE

