Have you noticed how long the grass is in certain areas here at GCU? Did facilities lose the lawn mower? No! These areas are actually being left this way purposefully. Specific areas have been created and designated “Natural Management Areas”.

Natural Management Areas focus on rehabilitating and managing a specific conservation area - ours being the Pine Barrens.

Mowing these areas less often has many benefits:

- It reduces noise pollution
- Uses less fossil fuel
- Increases plant diversity on campus
- Enhances the areas habitat value for native species
- From an athlete’s point of view this may be beneficial too. Why???
  - LESS GEESE!
- Geese do not like long grass because they cannot navigate their way through it and feel threatened.
- Keeping the low mow area around the lake on campus will be a long-term goose deterrent.

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