AMERICAN CAMPUS COMMUNITIES INC Form SC 13G February 14, 2006

UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE 13G						
Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934						
(Amendment No.) *						
American Campus Communities, Inc.						
(Name of Issuer)						
Common Stock						
(Title of Class of Securities)						
024835100						
(CUSIP Number)						
December 31, 2005						
(Date of Event Which Requires Filing of this Statement)						
Check the appropriate box to designate the rule pursuant to which this Schedule is filed:						
[X] Rule 13d-1(b)						
[] Rule 13d-1(c)						
[] Rule 13d-1(d)						
*The remainder of this cover page shall be filled out for a reporting person's initial filing on this form with respect to the subject class of securities, and for any subsequent amendment containing information which would alter the disclosures provided in a prior cover page.						

The information required in the remainder of this cover page shall not be deemed to be "filed" for the purpose of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act") or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section of the Act but shall be subject to all other provisions of the Act (however, see the Notes).

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NAME OF REPORTING PERSON S.S. or I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSON Columbia Wanger Asset Management, L.P. 04-3519872 2 CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP* (a) [_] (b) [_] Not Applicable _____ 3 SEC USE ONLY 4 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION Delaware NUMBER OF 5 SOLE VOTING POWER SHARES 1,170,000 _____ BENEFICIALLY 6 SHARED VOTING POWER OWNED BY 0 ._____ EACH 7 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER REPORTING 1,170,000 ______ PERSON SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER Ω AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON 1,170,000 10 CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES* [_] Not Applicable 11 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW 9 6.8% ______ 12 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON* ΙA _____

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Item 1(a)	Name of Issuer:				
	American Campus Communities, Inc.				
Item 1(b)	Address of Issuer's Principal Executive Offices:				
	805 Las Cimas Parkway, Ste. 400				
	Austin, TX 78746				
Item 2(a)	Name of Person Filing:				
	Columbia Wanger Asset Management, L.P. ("WAM") WAM Acquisition GP, Inc., the general partner of WAM ("WAM GP")				
Item 2(b)	Address of Principal Business Office:				
	WAM and WAM GP are located at:				
	227 West Monroe Street, Suite 3000 Chicago, Illinois 60606				
Item 2(c)	Citizenship:				
	WAM is a Delaware limited partnership and WAM GP is a Delaware corporation.				
Item 2(d)	Title of Class of Securities:				
	Common Stock				
Item 2(e)	CUSIP Number:				
	024835100				
Item 3	Type of Person:				
	(e) WAM is an Investment Adviser registered under section 203 of the Investment Advisers Act of 1940; WAM GP is the General Partner of the Investment Adviser.				
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Item 4 Ownership (at December 31, 2005):

	(a) Amount o 13d-3:	wned "beneficial	ly" within the meaning of rule				
	(i) WAM: (ii) WAM	1,170, IGP: 1,170,	000				
	(b) Percent	Percent of class:					
		6.8% GP: 6.8%					
	(c) Number o	of shares as to which such person has:					
	(1) sole power to vote or to direct the vote:						
		(i) WAM: (ii) WAM GP:	1,170,000 0				
	(2)	shared power to	vote or to direct the vote:				
		(i) WAM: (ii) WAM GP:	0 1,170,000				
	(3)	sole power to d	ispose or to direct the disposition				
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	(4)	shared power to of:	dispose or to direct disposition				
		(i) WAM: (ii) WAM GP:					
Item 5	Ownership of Five Percent or Less of a Class:						
	Not Applicable						
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Item 6	Ownership of More than Five Percent on Behalf of Another Person:						
	The shares reported herein include the shares held by Columbia Acorn Trust (CAT), a Massachusetts business trust that is advised by WAM, a Delaware limited partnership. CAT holds 5.8% shares.						
Item 7	Identification and Classification of the Subsidiary Which Acquired the Security Being Reported on by the Parent Holding Company:						
	Not Applicable						

Item 8 Identification and Classification of Members of the Group:

Not Applicable

Not Applicable

Item 10 Certification:

By signing below I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the securities referred to above were acquired and are held in the ordinary course of business and were not acquired and are not held for the purpose of or with the effect of changing or influencing the control of the issuer of the securities and were not acquired and are not held in connection with or as a participant in any transaction having that purpose or effect.

Disclaimer

In accordance with Rule 13d-4 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, each of the persons filing this statement expressly disclaim the beneficial ownership of the securities covered by this statement and the filing of this report shall not be construed as an admission by such persons that they are the beneficial owners of such securities.

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SIGNATURE

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

Date: February 13, 2006

The undersigned corporation, on the date above written, agrees and consents to the joint filing on its behalf of this Schedule 13G in connection with its beneficial ownership of the security reported herein.

WAM Acquisition GP, Inc. for itself and as general partner of COLUMBIA WANGER ASSET MANAGEMENT, L.P.

By: /s/ Bruce H. Lauer

Bruce H. Lauer

Senior Vice President and Secretary

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EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit 1 Joint Filing Agreement dated as of February 13, 2006 by and among Columbia Wanger Asset Management, L.P., WAM Acquisition GP, Inc. and Columbia Acorn Trust.

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EXHIBIT 1

JOINT FILING AGREEMENT

The undersigned hereby agree to the joint filing of the Schedule $13\mathrm{G}$ to which this Agreement is attached.

Dated: February 13, 2006

WAM Acquisition GP, Inc. for itself and as general partner of COLUMBIA WANGER ASSET MANAGEMENT, L.P.

By: /s/ Bruce H. Lauer

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Senior Vice President and Secretary

COLUMBIA ACORN TRUST

By: /s/ Bruce H. Lauer

Bruce H. Lauer

Vice President, Treasurer and
Secretary