

## Welcome to Oklahoma State University!

Our self-guided walking tour will take you from the heart of campus, past our beautiful modified Georgian-style architecture, to the latest research buildings on campus. We've also included descriptions of some optional excursions that have **limited access and availability**.

We invite you to take a look inside all the buildings along the tour. If you're touring campus on a weekend, between academic terms, during final exams or a time when facilities are closed, we invite you to visit us again when classes are in session. Student-led campus tours are available for prospective students Monday-Friday and on select Saturdays.

To register for a guided tour, go to admissions.okstate.edu/visit.



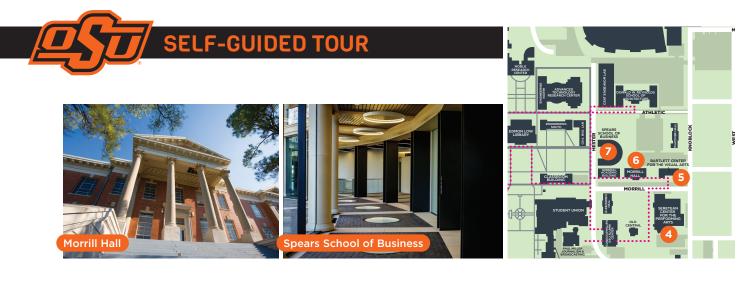
Your tour begins at the Oklahoma State University Welcome Plaza.

The **OSU Welcome Plaza** is designed to represent and exemplify some of OSU's best qualities: family, inclusiveness and strong work ethic, to name a few. The plaza is an inviting garden area, landscaped to provide shade and an outdoor living space. At its center is an impressive statue of a galloping mare and her foal. Columns are inscribed with Cowboy ethics and the alma mater. A bronze sculpture of a saddle sitting atop a fence is also featured.

The **ConocoPhillips OSU Alumni Center** houses the OSU Alumni Association, which represents more than 230,000 alumni, students and friends with programs for Cowboys of all ages. The center was built in 2005 and is dedicated to bringing alumni together with students, faculty and fellow alumni. With the support of the OSU Alumni Association and the efforts of the student body, "America's Greatest Homecoming Celebration" has grown into a weeklong spectacular that draws thousands of people to Stillwater each fall.

To the east is Old Central. Built in 1894, The College Building, as it was then known, was the first building on campus and is the oldest academic building in Oklahoma. When construction began in 1893, many students, who wanted their own building as soon as possible, assisted the 50-man construction crew. Students received 10 cents per hour for jobs like carrying bricks and water to the masons. Classes were held in the building until the Oklahoma Historical Society leased the building for use as a history museum in 1971. From 2007 to 2009, the building underwent a \$7 million restoration. Upon completion, Old Central became the home to The Honors College. The Honors College is ranked among the top 25 honors programs in the nation by Public University Honors the only ranked program in Oklahoma.

Follow the sidewalk east until you reach the Seretean Center for the Performing Arts.



The Seretean Center for the Performing Arts is currently home to OSU's theatre and music departments. The Seretean Center is the focal point of all major dramatic and musical events on the OSU campus. The building contains the 800-seat Concert Hall and the 600-seat Vivia Locke Theatre. which attract a variety of fine arts activities such as ballet, concerts, mime, opera, plays, faculty and student recitals, and a host of summer conventions. The music department will soon have new buildings to utilize, as the Greenwood School of Music and the McKnight Center for the Performing Arts are expected to open in 2019 at the corner of University and Hester. These will be venues for OSU's talented students, accomplished faculty and members of the community to enjoy, with facilities built for producing world-class talent in mind.

Go north across Morrill Avenue to reach the Bartlett Center for the Visual Arts.

## The Bartlett Center for the Visual Arts

contains 10 studios, three computer labs, a 100-seat auditorium and the Gardiner Art Gallery. The Gardiner Art Gallery has become an integral part of the department's teaching environment, as well as a place for the university and community to experience the visual arts. Exhibits vary from local student and faculty exhibitions to national shows. Additional art exhibits can be found at the OSU Museum of Art in downtown Stillwater, visit **museum.okstate.edu** for more information. To the west, you will see **Morrill Hall**. Morrill Hall was named for Vermont Senator Justin Smith Morrill, the chief sponsor of the 1862 Morrill Act which created more than 70 "land grant" colleges, including OSU (originally Oklahoma Agricultural and Mechanical College). A fire in August 1914 destroyed Morrill Hall. Only the exterior walls remained and much of the early administrative history of the college was lost, but in 1955, Morrill Hall was rebuilt. Morrill Hall remains the second oldest building on campus. It and Old Central are the only remaining facilities left from the territorial period of Oklahoma. Morrill houses OSU's Department of English.

Northwest of Morrill Hall, you will find the newly constructed Spears School of Business Building. This school is home to thousands of students pursuing businessrelated degrees. The new structure is nearly 50 percent larger than the old building, located to the south. It features 13 classrooms, four labs, 150 offices, 12 team rooms and 11 conference rooms. It also features enhanced technology throughout, as well as designs and furnishings aimed at improving the student experience. Many of the 20+ student organizations within the school have received national recognition for their performance and activities, and the School of Entrepreneurship is recognized nationally as an innovator in entrepreneurship education.

Head north along Hester Street and east on Athletic Avenue to the Donald W. Reynolds Architecture Building.



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## The Donald W. Reynolds Architecture

**Building** was renovated and expanded in 2009. Constructed in 1920 as the new Armory-Gymnasium, the building now serves as the home of the School of Architecture. Originally containing basketball courts, a shooting range, training rooms, a suspended track and a swimming pool, the building played host to many of the greatest moments in Oklahoma State athletics history. Today, activities in the building are much more subdued. This is the home-away-fromhome for architecture students, who enjoy spacious studios, classrooms and a gallery featuring student projects.

To the west, a new building under construction will be the home of College of Engineering, Architecture and Technology's Undergraduate Laboratory Building. The facility will house 14 undergraduate research laboratories spread strategically throughout its four floors along with a lecture hall and student projects spaces.

North of the architecture building, you'll see **Boone Pickens Stadium**. Built in 1920, the original stadium was a wooden grandstand that seated 5,000 people. After decades of expansions, the stadium received a complete overhaul in 2009, including the construction of the west end zone, which "bowled in" the stadium, and increased seating capacity to 60,218. Construction also resulted in new, state-of-the-art football training facilities, an athletic medicine center, media facilities, locker rooms and offices.



Completed in 1998, the Advanced Technology Resource Center houses labs, research facilities, classrooms and lecture halls for the College of Engineering, Architecture and Technology (CEAT). Students receive hands-on experience in specialized labs, including a wind tunnel, laser labs, robotics lab and many others. Oklahoma State University's CEAT is the only combined school of Engineering, Architecture, and Technology in the country. It is also the oldest school of engineering in the state.

Continuing west, you'll find the **International** Mall, a place dedicated to recognizing our international students. Flags from the home countries of OSU's international students are rotated throughout the year. This ensures that every international student will see his or her home country represented during the academic year, and is a testament to the diversity of OSU's student body.



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Directly north is the Noble Research Center, a perfect example of OSU's commitment to research. The facility houses laboratory spaces, faculty offices, lecture rooms, a 280-seat auditorium and a major interactive space for the departments of animal science, entomology & plant pathology, biochemistry & molecular biology and geology. The building was designed with innovative energy conservation systems, with flexibility and student-faculty interaction in mind. The roof of the solarium is fitted with motorized metal louvers to allow more or less sunlight in to help keep the building's atrium heated or cooled. The louvers are complemented by solar panels, which help power the building.

*Continue walking west until you reach the intersection of Athletic Avenue and Monroe Street.* 

The Henry Bellmon Research Center is a 124,000-square foot building that contains custom-designed facilities for research in biodiversity, biophysics, photonics, synthetic chemistry and advanced materials. Completed in 2010, the building is also home to OSU's Mobile Application Center, which offers a platform for app development where students, faculty, alumni and companies converge. Across Monroe Street, **Agricultural Hall** is home of the College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources (CASNR). Inside, you'll find classrooms, laboratories and the CASNR Student Success Center, which includes a student career resources facility, a boardroom for the college's 35+ student organizations, individual student guidance and programs for CASNR students.

Heading south along Monroe Street, you will pass the **College of Human Sciences Building** on the right. Following the construction of a new wing that opened in 2016, the college features cutting-edge experiential learning spaces designed to facilitate the college's larger classes, seminars, workshops and outreach activities. These facilities include a food production research lab, a quantity food production lab, demonstration classrooms, computeraided design labs, lighting and technology labs, apparel production labs, virtual reality labs, advanced nutritional science labs and galleries to feature students' works.

*Continue south down Monroe Street until you come to Murray Hall, at the intersection of Monroe Street and University Avenue.* 



To the west you will see Murray Hall. Set at the historic entrance to the OSU campus, Murray Hall reflects the university's Georgian architectural heritage and it served the campus as a dormitory for more than 60 years. Upon its opening in 1934, the fourstory building was considered among the largest residence halls in the country. accommodating more than 150 women. During World War II, the building was used by the U.S. Navy, which housed WAVES and radar trainees. The building served various campus needs for decades, and completed a total renovation in 2011, which brought many departments within the College of Arts & Sciences together under one roof. In addition to offices and classrooms, the renovation also added a new student plaza and auditorium.

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On the south side of University Avenue, you'll see many of OSU's **Greek houses**. There are 22 fraternities and 13 sororities with houses on campus, and during Homecoming, they compete in an elaborate decoration competition. More than 75,000 alumni and friends pack the six-squareblock area at the heart of campus to see the colorful, larger-than-life house decorations and hear the stories that go with each. OSU offers additional Greek life opportunities through the Multicultural Greek Council and National Pan-Hellenic Council.

Cross to the east side of Monroe Street and take the angled walk by Theta Pond.

Theta Pond, originally named Horse Pond, was built in 1895 to water horses and assist in solving water shortage problems. Today, students go to Theta Pond to relax, study, picnic, enjoy the beautiful surroundings or watch the ducks that call the pond home. Surrounded by the Centennial Gardens, Theta Pond beautifully complements the rest of the campus, whether alive with the colors of spring or graced with the snow of winter.

- To the north of Theta Pond, you will see Willard Hall. Completed in 1939, Willard originally served as a women's residence hall. Today, Willard Hall is home to the College of Education, Health and Aviation. The college is one of the most diverse colleges on campus, boasting seven majors and program areas that range from aerospace administration and operations to elementary education.
- East of Willard Hall, at the heart of campus, is **Library Lawn**. Students gather here to study, play games or simply soak up the sun during breaks between classes. Library Lawn is a gathering place for all students, serving as the backdrop for scores of activities all year long. A large, formal garden lies at the center of the lawn.



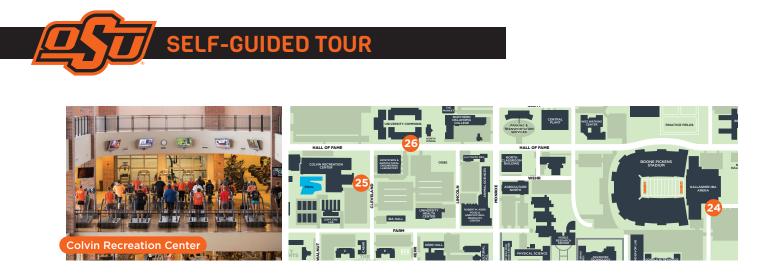
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Edmon Low Library sits at the north end of Library Lawn. Opened in 1953, the library is ranked among the top research libraries in the nation. Inside the library, you'll find a spacious computer lab, quiet study rooms, a coffee shop and laptops, tablets, cameras and other equipment available for checkout. It is also home to the Math Learning Resource Center, a free tutoring center for all math courses. The fountain in front of the library is a well-known symbol of Oklahoma State University. During the week of Homecoming, the fountain is ceremoniously dyed orange and serves as a great backdrop as friends and family take pictures and show their Cowboy spirit.

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Follow the sidewalk east and then south along Library Lawn until you come to the **Classroom Building**. The name speaks for itself; this is where many students will attend a number of classes throughout their academic careers. Located right in the middle of campus, Classroom Building holds classes from every college and department. It is also home to the LASSO Center, which provides free academic assistance through supplemental instruction, academic success coaching, tutoring, student success workshops and presentations.

Across the plaza to the south of the Classroom Building is the **Student Union**. Since its opening in 1950, the Union has been the center of social life and student services on campus. It remains the true hub for student activity on campus, as evidenced by the number and variety of activities and services that call it home. Here, you'll find the University Store, Leadership & Campus Life, several restaurants, a convenience store, banks, gathering places for student organizations, and several student services including the Registrar, Undergraduate Admissions, the Office of Scholarships & Financial Aid and much more. The Student Union is also home to the historic Atherton Hotel, featuring beautifully renovated accommodations, attentive service and thoughtful amenities, and the Ranchers Club. offering impeccable steaks and superb menu options for breakfast, lunch and dinner.



## Optional Excursions (Locations have limited access and availability.)

The history of Oklahoma State University Athletics is proudly on display inside Heritage Hall at Gallagher-Iba Arena. Opened in November 2001, Heritage Hall contains trophies, memorabilia and other items spanning several decades of OSU's treasured past. Heritage Hall is open to the public from 8 a.m. until 5 p.m. For tours or additional information, call (405) 744-3188.

The **Colvin Recreation Center** provides OSU students with an incredible experience physically and socially, and has been recognized as one of the top facilities of its kind in the nation. The Colvin, with more than 240,000 square feet of activity space, includes: 10 basketball/volleyball courts, a large multipurpose court, more than 15,000 square feet of weight and fitness equipment, cardio-theater, an indoor climbing wall, two golf simulators, a three-lane indoor jogging track, indoor and outdoor swimming pools, eight racquetball/handball courts and five large multi-purpose activity rooms. The Center is part of OSU's Department of Wellness, offering programs and activities including intramural sports, personal training and fitness classes. **Sign up for a guided campus tour for an inside look at this facility.** 

**Residential Life**. More than 25 on-campus living options are offered at OSU. There are housing types to fit all needs, including suites, traditional halls, living learning programs that focus on specific academic interests and seven family-first apartment neighborhoods. There are also 30+ dining options spread throughout campus. **Sign up for a guided campus tour for a peek inside our on-campus living options**.

**Guided tours** are available Monday-Friday and on select Saturdays. If you have any questions or would like to register for a tour, please visit our website at *admissions.okstate.edu/visit* or call us at (405) 744-5358.