Campus Buildings

Administration

Offices for the President, Vice President for Academic Affairs, Assistant Vice President for Academic Affairs, Vice President for Administration and Finance, Vice President for Student Affairs and Intercollegiate Athletics, Vice President for Enrollment, Marketing, and Outreach, Director of Academic Assessment, Center for Extended Learning, Business Office, Registrar's Office, Academic and Institutional Projects, Financial Aid, Marketing, Design and Print services, Human Resources, Dakota College at Bottineau, International Programs, Graduate School, and Enrollment Services/Admissions are housed here. Also included are two Interactive Video Network (IVN) studios.

Amphitheatre

This outdoor facility was built by students, alumni, and other University supporters. Located in the hills in the northern part of the campus, it provides a beautiful setting for summer theatre, musicals, and other productions.

Astronomical Observatory

Established in 1967 and relocated to north of the Amphitheatre in 1988, the observatory houses a 16-inch diameter Schmidt Cassegrain telescope used primarily by astronomy students. It is viewed on specified evenings.

Campus Heights Apartments

There are 30 student apartments in Campus Heights, two of which are designed for accessibility. Each floor has four two-bedroom apartments and six studio apartments. Campus Heights apartments are unfurnished except for stove, refrigerator, and drapes. Amenities include cardlock access to the building and coin operated laundry facilities.

Pioneer Hall

Pioneer Hall features 40 one-bedroom apartments for students, four of which are designed for accessibility. Pioneer apartments are unfurnished except for stove, refrigerator, and drapes. Amenities include cardlock access to the building and coin operated laundry facilities.

Cyril Moore Science Center

This building houses administrative offices for the life and physical sciences. A lecture-demonstration auditorium seating 233, and classrooms, laboratories, and research facilities for biology, chemistry, geoscience, physics, and science education are located here.

Dome

The administrative office of the Department of Athletics is housed in this building. This structure also provides facilities for a wide variety of activities such as handball, racquetball, basketball, volleyball, tennis, wrestling, and indoor track with seating for over 10,000 people. The building also has lockers, showers, classrooms, and offices, plus other use areas.

A seasonal air-supported bubble next to the Dome enables the turf to be utilized for a number of additional events such as weekend tournaments in youth, adult and collegiate soccer and softball, and non-tournament usage such as MSU softball, soccer, baseball and football, area schools soccer, softball, baseball, football, public walking and jogging, community events, Minot Recreation Commission activities, a golf driving range, and much more.

Facilities Management

This building is the base of operations for campus maintenance, custodial, carpentry, electrical, heating and cooling, motor pool, security, and horticulture.

Hartnett Hall

The administrative offices of the School of Arts and Humanities and Social Science are located in this building. There are classrooms and studios for art, broadcasting, communication arts, English, and foreign languages. A 200-seat theater for lectures, recitals, and theater productions, as well as the office of the Red and Green (student newspaper) and a computer lab.

Library

The Gordon B. Olson Library houses over 420,000 volumes in books, bound periodicals, and government documents. It also houses a special collections area consisting of North Dakota materials, a children's collection, media materials, and microfilm. The library offers databases and journals and is a depository for United States Government and State of North Dakota publications. Reference service is provided most hours that the library is open. Desktop computers are available on the main floor in addition to color printing and scanning machines. Multiple group and private study rooms are available. The lower level of the library houses the Northwest Arts Center, Walter Piehl Gallery, the Native American Artifact Collection, and the

Academic Support Center (ACS). The ACS offers many services which help to ensure the success of our students. These include tutoring, advising, writing assistance, access services, career planning assistance, Starfish, and the POWER program.

Memorial Hall

In 1996, Memorial Hall was remodeled and expanded. It houses five academic departments, and the North Dakota Center for Persons with Disabilities. The five departments located in Memorial Hall are Communication Sciences and Disorders, Special Education; Criminal Justice; Nursing; and Addiction Studies, Psychology and Social Work. A computer lab is in this building.

Model Hall

Completely renovated in 1990, this building houses administrative offices for mathematics and computer science. There are two instructional computer labs, four-tiered multimedia classrooms, and numerous classrooms for lecture. The Military Resource Center is also located in Model Hall.

Old Main

This first building on campus underwent a $8.6 million remodel between 2001-2003. It provides classroom and office space for the School of Business, and the School of Fine and Performing Arts and School of Humanities, Social Science, and Interdisciplinary Studies. It also houses the office of Information Technology, Honors Program, Looyenga Leadership Center, and the Severson Entrepreneurship Academy. Ann Nicole Nelson Hall provides facilities for the performing arts with a seating capacity for 950.

Residence Halls

Cook Hall

Cook Hall is the largest residence hall on campus. This hall is co-ed by floor and can accommodate 187 students. It is located on the west side of campus. Its amenities include cardlock entry, internet, kitchen, microwaves on each floor, community style bathrooms, free laundry facilities and a large lounge with a TV, pool table and table tennis.

Crane Hall

Crane Hall is a modern co-ed residence hall with suite-style housing, where two rooms share a bathroom. The hall is coed by suite and can accommodate 88 students. Amenities include full kitchens, free laundry facilities, and recreational lounges on every floor.

Lura Manor

Lura Manor is a co-ed suite style residence hall and can accommodate 144 students. Other amenities include study nooks, recreational lounges, microwave access on every floor, a few kitchen options, and free laundry facilities throughout the building.

Located on the lower level are The Student Health Center and University Counseling.

McCulloch Hall

McCulloch Hall is a co-ed by floor residence hall that can accommodate 154 students. It is located very near the Student Center. Amenities include free laundry facilities, community-style bathrooms, a kitchenette, microwave access on every floor, and two recreational lounges with a TV, a pool table, and table tennis.

Student Center (SC)

The Student Center is currently undergoing a $3 million renovation on its second floor, with completion planned for the start of the Fall 2026 semester. This project will significantly enhance student spaces and services by creating a larger, more modern, and open environment for campus activities. Once complete, the renovated area will feature improved functionality, updated design elements, and expanded space designed to meet a wide range of student needs.

Located at the heart of campus, the Student Center serves as a central hub for students and visitors. At the east entrance, an information center, along with the campus post office, central receiving, and parking office, welcomes guests and provides essential services.

The Student Government Association offices are located near the Beaver Dam, along with the offices of the Student Center Director and the Student Activities Coordinator, as well as meeting space for student clubs and organizations. The area also offers a variety of amenities, including laptop computer stations, a convenience store, the MSU Bookstore affiliated with Barnes & Noble, the residence dining facility know as the Beaver Creek Cafe.

In addition to student-focused services, the Student Center houses the Advancement and Alumni offices, University Communications, Native American Cultural Center, men’s and women’s wrestling locker rooms and training areas, the Flat Tail Press Art Gallery.

Although designed primarily to serve students, the Student Center also features a fully functional conference center on the third floor, which hosts numerous campus and community events.

Swain Hall

Swain Hall is named in honor of Carl Swain, the fourth president of MSU. Swain Hall houses the Department of Education and Inclusive Services with program options in Early Childhood Education, Elementary Education, Secondary Education, Health and Physical Education, Exercise and Rehabilitation Science and Corporate Fitness and Wellness Management.

Wellness Center

The Wellness Center houses activity courts for basketball, volleyball, floor hockey and other activities. It also contains space for fitness classes, weightlifting, cardio equipment, spinning classes, intramural sports, personal training, student dances, and other student activities. Campus ministries and the campus food pantry are also located in the Wellness Center.