WELCOME TO

We are glad to have you on campus today! There are many things to see and do on our 2,100 acres. We hope that this self-guided walking tour will enable you to make the most of your day.

Helpful hints for the tour:

*Please use this script in conjunction with the map to better make your way around campus.*

*Ledger codes (i.e., Wells Hall, D-8) have been provided for each major site to make identification easier and (hopefully) keep you on the right track.*

*We have tried to provide the clearest directions possible; however, if you find yourself lost, do not hesitate to ask one of our students for assistance. They are among the nation's friendliest!*

*Do not feel that you cannot deviate from this tour. You are more than welcome (and encouraged) to visit places not specifically outlined in this tour. A list of other commonly visited places is provided at the end of this packet.*

*If you need assistance, feel free to call the MSU Campus Operator at (517)355-1855 or the Office of Admissions at (517)355-8332.*

*Have fun and enjoy the tour!*

Our tour begins in the **HANNAH ADMINISTRATION BUILDING** (C-8), which houses the Registrar's Office (first floor), Office of Admissions (second floor), and the President's office (fourth floor). Exit the Administration Building on the north side and you will see a statue of John A. Hannah, Michigan State’s longest serving president.

Now head northwest and continue on the walkway and on your left will be **OLDS HALL** (C-8). Olds Hall originally housed the Engineering programs, and is now used as a classroom and office facility. The building was made possible by a grant from Ransom E. Olds, the founder of Oldsmobile.
Across the street (to the North) is the MSU MUSEUM (B-8), which has three floors of anthropological, biological, geological, and historical displays. It was the state of Michigan’s first Smithsonian Institution.

Ahead to the left you will see the MSU LIBRARY (C-8). This facility's collection is approaching six million volumes with approximately 100,000 volumes added per year. The University also has 17 different branch libraries. Other features of the main library include a copy center, a snack shop (the Cyber Café), multiple computer labs, a turf grass library, map library and a periodical reading room. The library also boasts the largest comic book collection in the world.

Head north across the street and up ahead is BEAUMONT TOWER (B-8). This tower has a 47-bell carillon weighing 120,600 pounds. It is 104 feet high and marks the site of College Hall, the first building in America erected for the teaching of scientific agriculture.

Continue heading north and you will be approaching the MSU UNION BUILDING (A-8), it is the focal point of much student activity on campus. Here, students, staff, faculty, alumni, and guests gather to enjoy cultural, recreational, and social activities. Its facilities include a post office, bowling alley, multimedia center, and computer lab. On the first floor you will find a food court, Sparty’s convenience store, MSU Dairy Store, and Biggby Coffee. There is also a Spartan Spirit Shop, so feel free to stop in and look around!
Walking to the west will lead you into what was Michigan State’s original campus. On your left, you will see COWLES HOUSE (B-7), which has been home to many MSU presidents. It is the oldest structure on campus, built in 1857 with bricks made from the clay of our Red Cedar River.

To your right are some of the residence halls of NORTH NEIGHBORHOOD (A-7). Mary Mayo, for whom the hall is named, first introduced women’s courses at MSU. Mary Mayo Hall is also the oldest residence hall on campus. It was built in 1931.

If you walk southwest on the sidewalk alongside Cowles House, you will near the intersection of Kalamazoo and West Circle. Across the street to your left is the INTRAMURAL SPORTS CIRCLE BUILDING (B-7). This building houses athletic facilities including gymnasiums and two indoor swimming pools, as well as the office for women’s sports. There are a total of 25 intercollegiate athletic teams, including 12 sports for women and 11 sports available to men.

As you walk down Kalamazoo Street you will cross over the RED CEDAR RIVER. The Red Cedar is a popular place to kayak, canoe and feed the ducks. The river is unique because of the red clay underneath the river, giving the water its reddish-brown color.

Cross the bridge and you will be approaching SPARTAN STATUE (B-7). This statue of Sparty is over 10 feet tall and made of bronze. The original statue, now housed in Spartan Stadium, is made of terracotta and is one of the largest free-standing ceramic statues in the world. This new statue was unveiled at our sesquicentennial celebration in 2005. The incarnation of this mascot, who can be seen at athletic and other events around campus, is the three-time top collegiate mascot in the nation.

Once you have taken a picture with Sparty, look far to your right and you will see KOBS FIELD (B-6) where all Spartan home baseball games are played, and DeMARTIN SOCCER COMPLEX, MSU’s newly renovated soccer stadium.
As you travel down Chestnut Road, **DEMONSTRATION HALL** (C-6) will be ahead and on your right. Demonstration Hall is home to the Army ROTC Program, intramural recreation facilities, and an indoor roller skating rink.

Across Chestnut Road (to the east) you will see the **WEST INTRAMURAL BUILDING** (D-7). Open to all students, it provides courts for racquet sports, rooms for wrestling and weight lifting, an indoor pool, cardio equipment, an Olympic size outdoor pool, and four gymnasiums.

Straight ahead and to your right is **MUNN ICE ARENA** (D-6), home of our 2007 National Championship men’s ice hockey team. It was constructed in 1974 in memory of Biggie Munn, a well-known football coach and Athletic Director at MSU, and holds 6,470 people.

Go south on Chestnut and up ahead on your right, you will see one of our many **INTRAMURAL FIELDS** (D-6). Students may check out sporting equipment in their residence halls and use the field facilities. In addition, the fields are used extensively for our intramural sports programs on campus. In the 2015-2016 academic year, students could participate in 18 team and 6 individual sports. There are also over 45 club sports at MSU, and our club sports teams have won numerous national championships.

To your left is **RALPH YOUNG FIELD**, which is the **MSU TRACK AND FIELD FACILITY** (D-7). It is also used for field hockey and lacrosse. This is not our only running track; others are located in the East Intramural Building and Jenison Field House.

As you continue south and cross Shaw Lane, you will see **CASE HALL** (E-6), home of the **JAMES MADISON RESIDENTIAL COLLEGE** for Public Policy. If you decide to become a Spartan, Case Hall is where you will be attending your Academic Orientation Program.
Turn left, and on your right you will find the **DUFFY DAUGHERTY FOOTBALL BUILDING** and **SKANDALARIS FOOTBALL CENTER** (E-7), home to the football team practice facilities and offices. Inside the Skandalaris Football Center is the Demmer Family Hall of History, highlighting the many accomplishments of MSU’s outstanding former players, coaches and teams, including the 2014 Rose Bowl Trophy. Attached to this building is the **CLARA BELL SMITH STUDENT ATHLETE ACADEMIC CENTER**. Donated by former MSU basketball All-American Steve Smith in memory of his mother, the Smith Center houses educational facilities for MSU’s more than 700 student athletes.

Across Shaw Lane to your left is **SPARTAN STADIUM** (D-7). Built in 1923, Spartan Stadium has been the home to many football greats, including six national championship teams. Between the 2004 and 2005 seasons, the stadium was expanded to its current capacity of 75,005. Attendees of MSU football games value the tradition of Spartan sports; MSU has ranked in the NCAA’s Top 25 in attendance for 57 straight seasons. Most recently, fans cheered on the Spartans, led by Coach Mark Dantonio, as they brought home the 2015 Big Ten Championship trophy!

Walk northeast past the stadium and you will see the green windows of **WELLS HALL** (D-8). Wells Hall is our largest academic building with 52 classrooms and is made up of four wings: A, B, C & D. The A wing contains three floors of small classrooms. The B wing contains the larger classrooms, a computer lab and a language lab that teaches over 32 foreign languages. The C and D wings house the departments of mathematics and foreign languages. As you exit Wells Hall on the east side, you will enter the Wells Hall Courtyard.
Across the courtyard and to your left, you’ll see Erickson Hall, the home of MSU’s award winning College of Education. The College of Education has been ranked #1 in the nation for the last 21 years.

Across the courtyard toward your right you’ll find your last stop: MSU’s INTERNATIONAL CENTER (E-8). This building houses the Office for International Students and Scholars-encompassing over 3,850 students from over 131 foreign countries. The International Center also houses the nation’s largest study abroad program. Approximately 1 out of every 3 Spartans choose to study abroad every year, traveling to over 50 countries and every continent. Also located in the building is the Crossroads Food Court and the MSU STUDENT BOOKSTORE where students can purchase their required books, and you can purchase your own MSU souvenirs!

We hope you’ve enjoyed your tour of our beautiful campus! For more information about Michigan State University check out our website at www.msu.edu. Have a wonderful day and GO GREEN!

OTHER CAMPUS SIGHTS TO VISIT

The ABRAMS PLANETARIUM (E-10) includes a 150-seat sky theatre, a black-light art gallery and an exhibit hall.

The AUDITORIUM (C-9) is where the works of the Department of Theatre come to life. Through the Department of Theatre, students can study acting, directing, and stage design. In the last five years, students have brought to MSU productions of Shakespeare, Pride and Prejudice, Grease Peter Pan, Almost, Maine and more. And, every year at Halloween, the department transforms the Auditorium into an extremely popular haunted house.

The BEAL BOTANICAL GARDEN (C-7), established in 1872, is the oldest continuously operated teaching facility of its kind in the nation. There are more than 5,000 plant species across 5 acres. The
The garden was established by William J. Beal, a famous MSU botany professor.

At the **MSU DAIRY STORE** (E-9) you can enjoy MSU's homemade ice cream, yogurt, and cheese! The store is located at the South entrance of Anthony Hall. There is also a Dairy Store located inside the MSU Union.

The **ELI BROAD COLLEGE OF BUSINESS/EPPLEY CENTER** (D-10) houses the College of Business that provides nationally renowned programs at both the undergraduate and graduate levels. Recently added to this center were faculty offices, laboratories, and two amphitheater style lecture halls.

The **ELI AND EDYTHE BROAD ART MUSEUM** – was designed by Pulitzer Prize winner Zaha Hadid, the museum is sometimes known as “the spaceship” to students. Fun fact The museum houses a collection of works from ancient Greece and Rome through Renaissance and contemporary art. Admission is free.

The **KELLOGG HOTEL & CONFERENCE CENTER** (B-5) features meeting spaces, comfortable guest rooms, an airport shuttle, and casual fine dining at The State Room.

The **KRESGE ART CENTER** (C-10) houses the Department of Art, Art History, and Design. Kresge houses facilities for working with ceramics, foundations, painting, photography, printmaking, and screen printing, sculpture, sewing, and weaving. Students can also buy supplies at the MSU art store and showcase their work in galleries.

The **WHARTON CENTER FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS** (F-11) is MSU’s own world class performing arts center. This tremendous facility has featured Broadway shows such as Les Misérables, The Lion King, Wicked, the Chicago Symphony Orchestra, and many concerts and speakers.

The **RESIDENTIAL COLLEGE IN THE ARTS AND HUMANITIES** (C-10) is located in Snyder-Phillips Hall. RCAH students’ studies include literature, history, ethics, the visual and performing arts, and the study of languages and cultures.

The **LYMAN BRIGGS RESIDENTIAL COLLEGE** (D-13) is located in Holmes Hall. Lyman Briggs College is MSU's residential college in the Natural Sciences. Students’ studies include human and animal biology, physical sciences, environmental sciences, computational sciences, philosophy, and teaching.

The **NATIONAL SUPERCONDUCTING CYLCOTRON LABORATORY** (E-10) is the leading rare isotope research facility in the United States. The NSCL enables scientists and researchers to employ a wide range of tools for conducting advanced research in fundamental nuclear science, nuclear astrophysics, and accelerator physics.

The **OLIN HEALTH CENTER** (B-9), provides a wide variety of health care services for students. It also has a pharmacy and lab for filling prescriptions and running tests. Office visits are free for students, and health insurance is available through the university.

The **4-H CHILDREN’S GARDEN** (F-10) is an absolute must see for kids of all ages. There are mazes, pots of gold, an alphabet garden, and so much more. Located south of main campus off Bogue Street, this is a popular stop for parents with small children!
**VET MED CENTER** (F-11) serves more than 26,000 patients each year. The clinic specializes in large and small animal surgeries and emergency care. Students, interns and residents are also educated at the VMC.

**MSU FARMS** (you will need a car for this one), are located on the south side of campus, south of Mount Hope Road. See the farms, stables, and fields where a tremendous amount of scientific research is done.