



*Welcome to*

**MICHIGAN STATE  
UNIVERSITY**

**Self-Guided Tour**



# SELF-GUIDED TOUR






Welcome to your Spartan adventure! This self-guided tour is all about discovering what it's like to be a Spartan as you explore MSU at your own pace. You'll get to visit campus highlights and landmarks, plus some popular student life spots.

We recommend starting at the MSU Union, also known as the living room of campus, but you can begin anywhere that's convenient for you. Follow the map's suggested route or choose your own path — every turn has something new to discover.

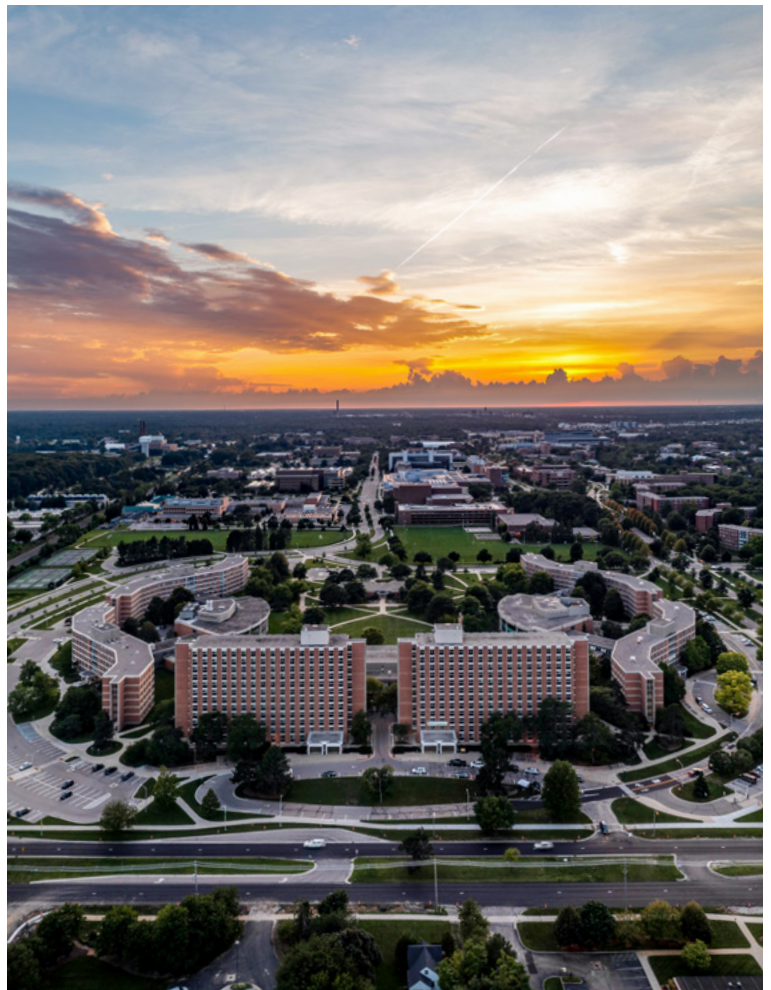
## Building Access

Most campus buildings are open to the public until 6 p.m., after which a valid MSU ID is required for entry. Access may also be limited on weekends — especially during special events like game days and university holidays — so plan accordingly if you're touring in the evening or on a weekend. Residence halls, student rooms, and other student areas may have restricted access, so please be mindful of not disturbing these spaces.

## NEIGHBORHOODS ON CAMPUS

-  **Brody Neighborhood (Orange):**  
Includes Armstrong Hall, Bailey Hall, Bryan Hall, Butterfield Hall, Emmons Hall and Rather Hall.
-  **East Neighborhood (Purple):**  
Includes Akers Hall, Holmes Hall and Hubbard Hall. This neighborhood houses many science majors with one of the residence halls, Holmes, being home to Lyman Briggs Residential College.
-  **North Neighborhood (Pink):**  
Includes Abbot Hall, Campbell Hall, Gilchrist Hall, Landon Hall, Mason Hall, Mayo Hall, Phillips Hall, Snyder Hall, Williams Hall and Yakeley Hall.
-  **South Neighborhood (Green):**  
Includes Case Hall, Holden Hall, Wilson Hall and Wonders Hall. South Neighborhood houses engineering students, and Case Hall is home to the James Madison Residential College.
-  **River Trail Neighborhood (Blue):**  
Includes McDonel Hall, Owen Hall, Shaw Hall, and Van Hoosen Hall.

Check out 360-degree room views at [liveon.msu.edu/360Tours](https://liveon.msu.edu/360Tours).



## DINING ON CAMPUS

MSU offers a variety of dining options for both students and the public. Choose from a number of dining halls and retail locations such as Sparty's mini-markets, Sparty's Market at 1855 Place, Starbucks and Panera Bread (located at the Minskoff Pavilion).

The State Room, located within Kellogg Hotel & Conference Center, offers high-end, seasonal cuisine. Be sure to check out MSU Bakers and the famed MSU Dairy Store too! For pricing, hours and menus, please visit [eatatstate.msu.edu](https://eatatstate.msu.edu).





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## MSU Union

Enjoy a variety of venues, including Strange Matter Coffee and a Spartan Spirit Shop. Make sure you get a photo with Bronze Sparty, located on the first floor! The MSU Union is also home to the MOSAIC Center for Education and Outreach, interactive workspaces and connections to numerous resources.

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## Beaumont Tower

MSU's iconic clock tower houses a carillon — a musical instrument containing 49 bells. Looking to the top of the tower, one corner is taller than the others, reminding students to strive to be better every day and grow as much as they can as Spartans.

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## MSU Museum

The science and culture museum at MSU features floors of exhibit space for collections, the works of MSU faculty and students, and traveling exhibits. The museum hosts STEM-focused events, fashion shows and Ignite Talks, where education majors present on numerous topics.

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## Student Services Building

This building is a central place for many on-campus resources for students, including Career Services Network, the Office of Student Support and Accountability, the Gender and Sexuality Campus Center (GSCC), the Center for Veterans and Military-Affiliated Students, and Fraternity & Sorority Life.

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## MSU Main Library

The go-to library on campus. The east side is dedicated to quiet study; the west to group and social study. Inside is the Hollander Makerspace for hands-on and social learning about new technologies and techniques. MSU's library has the world's largest and rarest public comic book collection in the world!

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## Gardens of MSU

Beal Botanical Garden showcases more than 2,000 different plants, while the hands-on 4H Children's Garden features over 56 theme areas. The Judith DeLapa Perennial Garden displays a beautiful array of its namesake flower. Each makes for a perfect spot to snap some pictures! Learn more at [go.msu.edu/bealgardens](http://go.msu.edu/bealgardens).

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## Hannah Administration Building

Along with the Office of Admissions, you'll find Spartan One-Stop, where students can easily and quickly access services related to financial aid, student accounts and the Registrar with no appointment required.

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## Red Cedar River

is home to more than 30 types of fish and rare freshwater mussels, and supports countless other types of native Michigan wildlife, including our infamous ducks and squirrels. Plenty of benches and bridges make for perfect spots to relax and even take in occasional rapids along the river.

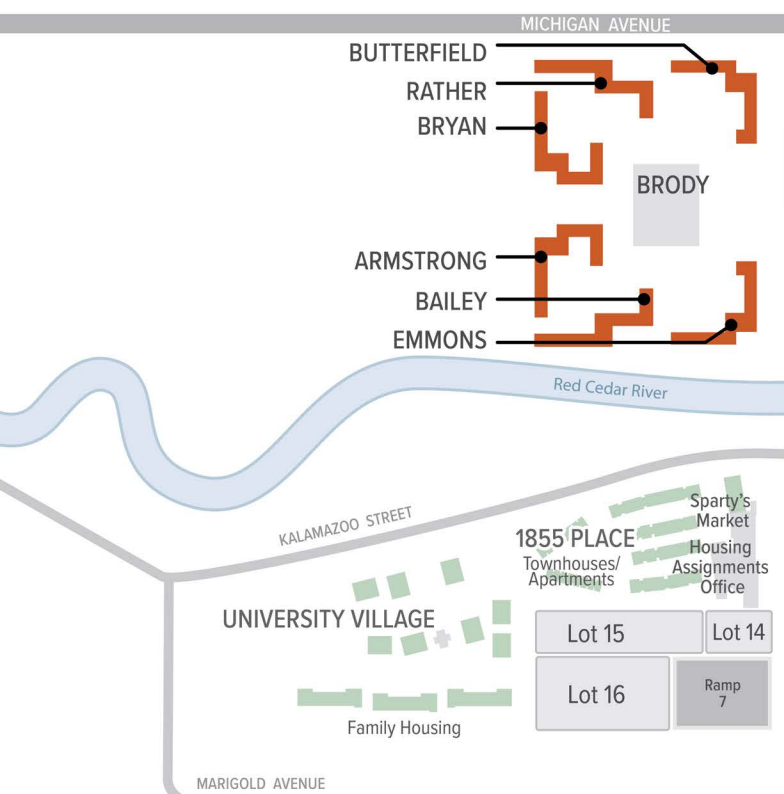
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## Spartan Stadium

The stadium can hold up to 75,005 Spartan football fans. Ask any student, and Spartan Stadium is likely one of their favorite places to go on campus! Located in the southeast portion of the stadium, the student section is a lively spot to cheer on the Green and White with fellow Spartans!

For more information and accessible maps, please visit [maps.msu.edu](https://maps.msu.edu).



## ACADEMIC INTEREST AREAS:

See where you'll spend time based on your interests.

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|  Agriculture and Environment          |  Health Sciences                                  |
|  Art, Communication and Entertainment |  Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM) |
|  Business and Management              |  Social and Cultural Studies                      |
|  Education and Public Services        |  |

TO:



Capital Area Multimodal Gateway:  
Amtrak Train,  
Greyhound and Mega  
Bus Stations





## PARKING ON CAMPUS



We are a pedestrian-friendly campus. Please visit [parking.msu.edu/visitors](https://parking.msu.edu/visitors) to learn more about guest parking on campus. Download the Spot On parking app at [spoton.msu.edu](https://spoton.msu.edu).

## USING THE MAP

Buildings in **lime green** are popular points of interest on-campus. Residence halls are grouped into neighborhoods by color (reference the neighborhoods section in this guide for more information).



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## Spartan Statue

Spartan Statue is 9 feet, 7 inches of bronze metal and is a replica of the original Spartan Statue that is now inside the tower of Spartan Stadium. “Sparty Watch” is a fun tradition where the Spartan Marching Band protects the Spartan Statue before MSU plays the University of Michigan.

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## Munn Arena

Home of Spartan hockey and the synchronized skating team, Munn opened in 1974. Munn is also the site of the largest planting project on campus. Check out the surrounding teaching area used by landscape architecture, botany and horticulture students.

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## Breslin Student Events Center

The Breslin is a 15,000-seat arena hosting more than 250 events each year, from Spartan basketball and women’s volleyball, to concerts, graduations and trade shows. Explore the Tom Izzo Basketball Hall of History or snap a pic with the Magic Johnson statue outside.

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## Student Recreation and Wellness Center

Opening summer 2026, this facility will include gymnasiums and multi-activity courts, an indoor running track, strength and fitness studios, a climbing wall, sports simulators, a 50-meter recreational pool, and more! This building is the latest (and greatest!) addition to MSU’s numerous recreation facilities.

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## STEM Teaching and Learning Facility

Partially constructed of MSU’s decommissioned power plant, the STEM Teaching and Learning Facility houses undergraduate teaching laboratories, project laboratories and breakout spaces to support gateway courses for biological sciences, chemistry, computer science, physics and engineering.

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## International Center

The International Center houses the official Spartan Bookstore. Pick up some Spartan swag and rep the Green and White all year long. Also inside this building you’ll find a food court and the Office for Education Abroad, where you can learn about study abroad opportunities.

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## Erickson Hall

Home to the College of Education (ranked #1 by U.S. News & World Report for elementary and secondary teacher education for 31 years), the college offers programs in elementary, secondary and special education, as well as kinesiology, athletic training and more.

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## College of Engineering

The College of Engineering is among the university’s founding disciplines and one of the largest academic units on campus. It offers 12 undergraduate degree programs and offers the First-Year Engineering CoRe Experience (CoRe) Living-Learning Community.

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## Anthony Hall and MSU Dairy Store

Anthony Hall is home to the Animal Sciences Department, which was ranked #8 in the world for plant and animal science by U.S. News & World Report. You can also visit the MSU Dairy Store inside — home to what Spartans call the best ice cream and cheese around.



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## Abrams Planetarium

Abrams Planetarium offers immersive astronomy shows using a state-of-the-art star projector. Each film shown is followed by a 30-minute live presentation of the current evening sky. For hours and upcoming shows, visit [abramsplanetarium.org](http://abramsplanetarium.org).

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## Business College Complex and Minskoff Pavillion

This area is home to the Broad College of Business, The School of Hospitality Business, the Russel Palmer Career Management Center, and Department of Supply Chain Management, which was ranked #1 by U.S. News & World Report for its undergraduate and graduate programs.

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## Multicultural Center

The MSU Multicultural Center is a central hub for community engagement that welcomes and supports students from all backgrounds and is the university's first free-standing multicultural center. Featuring meeting spaces, a community kitchenette, an amphitheater, collaboration stations and more.

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## The Rock

The Rock was a gift from the MSU class of 1873. Today, it brings attention to Spartan clubs and organizations, movements and campus information. It's an unwritten rule the person or group who claims the Rock each night earns the right to paint it.

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## Auditorium and Fairchild Theatre

The Auditorium offers a variety of concerts, plays, musicals and student-led performances, while Fairchild Theatre hosts classes, recitals, graduation events and more. Discounted tickets are available to students.

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## Broad Art Museum

The Broad Art Museum was designed by Pritzker Prize winning architect Zaha Hadid, this museum features collections and exhibitions by local and international artists. Fun fact: There are no 90-degree angles in the building. Featuring a flow of rotating exhibitions, the museum also hosts creative wellness activities for students. Admission to the museum is free for all visitors.

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## Olin Health Center

The Olin Health Center is the main health center on campus. Students get three subsidized visits per academic year. Services offered include immunization, primary care, sports medicine, mental health (CAPS) and more. Subsidized services differ between Olin and CAPS. Learn more at [uhw.msu.edu](http://uhw.msu.edu).

## EXPLORE MORE:

MSU's campus community has an active social media life! Explore [msu.edu/social](http://msu.edu/social) to keep up with Sparty, learn more about what's happening in each of our colleges and see what else is going on across campus.







## LEARN MORE:



ADMISSIONS  
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[eatatstate.msu.edu](https://eatatstate.msu.edu)

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## ACCESS, OPPORTUNITY AND EXCELLENCE AT MSU:

At Michigan State University, access, opportunity and excellence are integral to our mission and the foundation of our success. Together, we ensure that MSU remains a place where every individual has the access to succeed, the opportunity to grow and achieve, and the excellence to lead and make an impact both locally and globally. Through collective effort, we create a community that thrives and sets the standard for others to follow. Learn more at [inclusion.msu.edu](https://inclusion.msu.edu).

MSU support students' accessibility needs in and out of the classroom so that all students can be successful at MSU. The Resource Center for Persons with Disabilities (RCPD) supports disabled MSU students in accessing accommodations and other supports. Learn more at [rcpd.msu.edu](https://rcpd.msu.edu).