Self-Guided Walking Tour
Self-Guided Walking Tour

1. **MSU Union** houses a variety of amenities, including a food court and a Spartan Spirit Shop. Also located at the MSU Union are study lounges and computer centers for student use. Make sure you get a picture with Bronze Sparty, located on the first floor.

2. **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 women’s health.

3. **Broad Art Museum**, designed by Pritzker Prize-winning architect Zaha Hadid. There are no 90-degree angles in the building. Admission is free to the museum, which is also a secret study spot for many students on campus.

4. **Student Services Building** is a large hub for many student resources on campus, including Women’s Student Services, the Gender and Sexuality Campus Center, the Center for Survivors, Career Services, Student Life, Financial Aid, Counseling/Therapy services, Veteran’s Resource Center, and the Associated Students of MSU, otherwise known as ASMSU.

5. **Auditorium and Fairchild Theatre** hosts many concerts, plays, musicals and student-led performances. Performances brought to campus include country singers, comedians and influential speakers. Discounted tickets are available to students.

6. **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.

7. **Business College Complex and Minskoff Pavilion**, home to the Broad College of Business, is comprised of many departments, including accounting, marketing, supply chain management, The School of Hospitality Business and the Russell Palmer Career Management Center.

8. **Abrams Planetarium** includes a 150-seat sky theater and an exhibit hall. The planetarium offers numerous shows and programming available to students and the public.

9. **Center for the Sciences** includes the Chemistry, Biomedical and Physical Sciences, Biochemistry, Cyclotron, and FRIB (Facility for Rare Isotope Beams) buildings. Home to the number one graduate program in nuclear physics (U.S. News & World Report), innovative research is occurring all the time within these buildings.

10. **Anthony Hall and the College of Engineering** is home to one of MSU’s largest lecture halls as well as the Animal Sciences Department. You can also find the MSU Dairy Store inside! The College of Engineering is attached to Anthony Hall, and many engineering learning centers and computer labs are located inside.

11. **Erickson Hall** resides in the College of Education, which has been ranked number one by U.S. News & World Report for its graduate programs in both elementary and secondary education. The College of Education houses numerous programs, including elementary, secondary and special education, as well as kinesiology, athletic training and more.

12. **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. You can also visit Wells Hall, which is home to the largest lecture hall on campus.

13. **STEM Facility** houses undergraduate teaching laboratories, project laboratories and breakout spaces to support gateway courses for biological sciences, chemistry, computer science, physics and engineering.

14. **Spartan Stadium** can hold up to 75,005 Spartan football fans any given Saturday in the fall. Ask any student, and Spartan Stadium is likely one of their favorite places to go on campus!

15. **IM Sports West** is one of the three recreational centers on campus, offering indoor and outdoor pools, cardio equipment, fitness centers and group fitness classes. IM West is the largest rec facility with the largest weight room on campus.

16. **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.

17. **Beal Botanical Garden** is the oldest university-operated botanical garden of its kind with more than 2,000 different plants. This is a great location on campus to take pictures during the fall, winter or spring!

18. **MSU Main Library** is the go-to library on campus. There are two sides: the east, which is dedicated to quite study, and the west, which is dedicated to group and social study. There is also a café inside to grab a snack. MSU’s library has the world’s largest and rarest public comic book collection in the world!

19. **MSU Museum** is the science and culture museum at MSU. Three floors and ample exhibit space showcase collections, the works of MSU faculty and students and traveling exhibits.

20. **Beaumont Tower** is MSU’s iconic clock tower, housing 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 to grow as much as they can as a Spartan.

21. **Billman Music Pavilion** enhances student learning with advanced acoustical engineering and custom designed spaces within a climate-controlled environment.
NEIGHBORHOODS ON CAMPUS

**Brody Neighborhood (Orange):**
As the most recently renovated neighborhood on campus, Brody is modern and has many eco-friendly choices. Brody Hall hosts the largest dining hall on campus, along with an engagement center and classrooms. Brody Neighborhood houses both first- and second-year students and is community-style living.

**East Neighborhood (Purple):**
This neighborhood is popular with many science majors because one of the residence halls, Holmes, is home to Lyman Briggs Residential College. One of the residence halls, Akers, is the only hall with quad-style living. The others are suite-style. Many residents of East Neighborhood are first-year students.

**North Neighborhood (Pink):**
This neighborhood is the oldest on campus, and there is a lot of charm within the residence halls. Located near Grand River Avenue, it is close to many off-campus shopping and dining options and has the benefit of being close to many of the academic buildings on campus. The Residential College in the Arts and Humanities, or RCAH, is located in Snyder/Phillips halls. North Neighborhood is community-style living.

**South Neighborhood (Green):**
Residents enjoy easy access to the athletic arenas across Shaw Lane. Many MSU athletes and engineering students live in South Neighborhood because of its proximity to academic and athletic facilities. South is home to James Madison College, and all of the residence halls are suite-style living. South Neighborhood also houses the Cornerstone Engineering and Residential Experience (CoRE) program.

**River Trail Neighborhood (Blue):**
Residents enjoy close proximity to the Red Ceder River and the Sanford Natural Area. Students can choose to live in Shaw Hall, which is community-style living, or in McDonel, which is suite-style. Many upperclassmen live in this neighborhood because of the beautiful views and the central location on campus. Owen is suite-style, and Owen dining hall features allergen-free dining. Van Hoosen features apartment-style housing.

Check out room layouts on [360 Tours](#).

**USING THE MAP**
Buildings in lime green are points of interest. The colored circles above correspond to the shaded area on the map indicating the residential neighborhoods.
Commitment To Diversity, Equity, Inclusion And Belonging
MSU is committed to fostering a diverse, equitable, inclusive and safe environment for all Spartans. The Division of Student Life & Engagement is dedicated to working through the values of diversity, equity, inclusion, belonging (DEIB) and social justice to build communities that encourage personal growth, relationship building and academic success. Learn more at inclusion.msu.edu.

Parking on Campus
While we are a pedestrian-friendly campus, please check out police.msu.edu/parking-services/visitor-parking/ for information regarding guest parking on campus.

LEARN MORE:
MSU TOURS
tour.msu.edu
ON-CAMPUS LIVING AT MSU
liveon.msu.edu
DINING AT MSU
eatatstate.com

NEIGHBORHOOD RESOURCES
nssc.msu.edu
OFFICE OF SPARTAN EXPERIENCES
spartanexperiences.msu.edu
ADMISSIONS
admissions.msu.edu