

# The Facilities

Wartburg's 118-acre campus provides a variety of classroom environments, living accommodations, and recreational opportunities for students. Much of the campus is connected by a system of second-story skyways and covered walkways. During cold or rainy weather, students can walk indoors from the Saemann Student Center to the Whitehouse Business Center, Luther Hall, Classroom Technology Center, Wartburg Chapel, Bachman Fine Arts Center, McElroy Communication Arts Center, Vogel Library, and Science Center.

The Bachman FINE ARTS CENTER, completed in 1991, includes rehearsal/recital halls for band, choir, and orchestra, individual and group practice rooms, faculty studios, a music therapy suite, and an electronic music laboratory. The building also houses Art Department studios and offices and the Waldemar A. Schmidt Art Gallery. The ground floor was finished in 2001 to provide additional classrooms, practice rooms, and art studios.

LUTHER HALL houses most college administrative offices, including the President's Office. The third-floor Humanities Center provides classrooms and faculty offices for English, modern languages, and history. The ground floor was renovated in 2000 and houses the college's Institutional Advancement offices.

The McELROY COMMUNICATION ARTS CENTER, dedicated in 1992, includes a journalism laboratory equipped with computers and software for desktop publishing and graphics. The building also houses an FM radio station with stereo broadcasting equipment and a television production suite with camera, editing, and graphics systems. Offices for student publications also are located in the facility.

OLD MAIN, the first building constructed on the Wartburg campus in 1880, is listed in the National Register of Historic Places. A 1986 renovation added classrooms and offices and made the building handicapped-accessible. Old Main houses the education and social work departments.

The RADA-ALEFF CLASSROOM TECHNOLOGY CENTER houses a computer laboratory, classrooms equipped with multimedia teaching stations, and the college's Information Technology Services department. Faculty offices for the social sciences department are located on the third floor.

The SCIENCE CENTER, completed in 2004, represents an expansion and renovation that doubled the size of Wartburg's science facilities. The building is designed for hands-on learning and close interaction among students and faculty. Lecture rooms and laboratories, all with Internet access, provide state-of-the-art facilities for biology, chemistry, engineering science, physics, mathematics, and computer science classes. The complex houses four computer laboratories, a greenhouse, animal facilities, molecular biology and biochemistry suite with a cell culture room, cadaver room, indoor stream facility, student/faculty research areas, and a variety of informal student study areas. Equipment also includes three mobile computer labs, a scanning electron microscope, fluorescent microscopes, cardio/CP stress test system, atomic absorption spectrophotometer, Fourier transform infrared spectrometer, nuclear magnetic resonance (NMR) spectrometer, and research electromagnet. The Platte Observatory, located near the outdoor soccer and football practice fields, provides facilities for introductory astronomy and upper-level astrophysics courses and research projects. It houses five Schmidt-Cassegrain telescopes, an 18-inch Newtonian reflector,

and a 14-inch Schmidt-Cassegrain telescope for research.

The SAEMANN STUDENT CENTER serves as the college's gathering place and offers a wide variety of programs and services. A renovation and expansion project completed in 2004 doubled the size of the building, which houses the college dining facilities, a student organization hub with offices and support space for student organizations, and Student Life staff offices. The Student Center is also the home of the Bookstore, Information Center, Copy Center, Mailing Services, Lilly Reflection Room, McCoy Conference Rooms, Hagemann Castle Room, and Knights Ballroom, which can be divided into three separate areas for meetings and meals. McCaskey Lyceum provides space for theatre productions and other programs.

The VOGEL LIBRARY, completed in 1999, serves the campus community with a collection of 150,000 volumes, 10,000 electronic books, more than 750 current print journals and newspapers, an additional 11,700 electronic journals, audiovisual materials in a variety of formats, and a wide array of online databases. Many of these items are available at all hours via the library's Web page or can be delivered directly to student rooms or e-mail accounts. ILLiad interlibrary loan service procures more than 3,900 book and journal requests from other libraries each year, filling 96 percent of student and faculty requests. Students can also borrow materials directly at Iowa's other Open Access libraries, including the Waverly Public Library, by using their Wartburg ID cards. Special features of the library include the information laboratory, with dozens of networked computers for student and faculty use, a centralized and integrated collection with automated shelving, group and individual study and playback rooms, information literacy classrooms, a curriculum library and classroom, the Wartburg College and Iowa Broadcasting Archives, and the Konditorei coffee shop.

The WARTBURG CHAPEL, completed in 1994, serves as a center for campus worship and Wartburg's Campus Ministry programs. A Campus Ministry Suite, housing the offices of the college pastors, the director of church relations, and Campus Ministry, is accessed from the building's skyway level. The Chapel Commons on the lower level includes a classroom and a multipurpose space for meetings and receptions.

WARTBURG-WAVERLY SPORTS AND WELLNESS CENTER is under construction and scheduled to open in the fall of 2007. It will include an indoor pool, aerobics and exercise rooms, arena with spectator seating, gymnasiums offering seven playing courts, indoor competition 200-meter track, jogging track, climbing wall, wrestling rooms, racquetball courts, locker rooms, related facilities for athletic teams and Student Health and Wellness Center. Outdoor facilities include Hertel Field, a lighted baseball park; Lynes Field for softball; and eight outdoor tennis courts. Walston-Hoover Stadium opened in 2002, providing seating, concession, and restroom facilities for 4,000 spectators. The stadium's lighted FieldTurf playing field and all-weather track can be used for a variety of events. A nearby throwing venue for track and field and two competitive soccer fields are part of the outdoor athletic complex. In 2005, Walston-Hoover Stadium hosted the NCAA Division III Outdoor Track and Field Championships.

The WHITEHOUSE BUSINESS CENTER houses offices and classrooms for business administration and economics. The Admissions Office is located on the second floor.

OUTDOOR RESOURCES include the Lageschulte Prairie and the Mullarky Woods, which are used for field studies and individual research. The six-acre prairie plot, located two miles northeast of Waverly, contains native grasses and prairie plants. It is open to the public. The Mullarky Woods, located 20 miles west of Waverly, contains more than 100 acres of native timber.

