Welcome to Carnegie Mellon

Walking Tour Stops

1. Tepper Building, a new 315,000 square foot state-of-the-art building, is home to the Tepper School of Business, the Cultur Welcome Center, a 600-seat flat floor auditorium, fitness center, a dining location and the Swartz Center for Entrepreneurship.

2. Purnell Center for the Arts is home to our School of Drama, the nation's oldest degree-granting drama program, and includes state-of-the-art performance and education facilities like the Philip Chosky Theater and the Regina Gouger Miller Gallery. Watch the Pausch Bridge light show at night or walk across to the Gates Center.

3. Gates Center for Computer Science and Hillman Center for Future-Generation Technologies are home to the School of Computer Science and Computational Biology Department. These Gold LEED Certified Centers were made possible by lead gifts from the Bill and Melinda Gates and the Henry L. Hillman foundations.

4. Doherty Hall contains some of the largest lecture style classrooms and newly renovated lab spaces for our Mellon College of Science students, in addition to lab and studio spaces for departments like Engineering, Chemistry, Biology and Art.

5. Wean Hall is home to the Heinz College of Information Systems and Public Policy.

6. ANSYS Hall is named Margaret Morrison Carnegie Hall. It was opened in 1961 as the university’s first dedicated library building and was a gift from Roy and Rachel Hunt. It’s the largest of five libraries on campus with more than 600,000 volumes and houses facilities for the Integrative Design, Arts and Technology (iDAtE) program. Watch the evening light show that was installed to mark the library’s 50th anniversary and accentuates the aluminum and glass structure.

7. Hamerschlag Hall is home to Electrical and Computer Engineering and Mechanical Engineering labs. Hamerschlag’s rotunda is probably the most iconic image on campus. This building also boasts a living roof.

8. ANSYS Hall opened in 2019 as a spacious maker facility where students and faculty innovate with cutting-edge simulation and fabrication tools. ANSYS is a hub of collaboration for the College of Engineering.

9. Baker/Porter Halls are the oldest buildings on campus and connect via a long, sloped hallway. Porter houses programs like Civil and Environmental Engineering, Information Systems and Social and Decision Sciences. Baker is home to the Dietrich College of Humanities and Social Sciences.

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11. College of Fine Arts is the architectural creation of Henry Hornbostel, the college’s first dean, and is home to Architecture, Art and Music.


13. El Gallo de Oro is focused on real, wholesome foods made with completely plant-based ingredients, offering street food favorites like Pad Thai and comfort foods like “meat” loaf with creamy mashed potatoes.

14. Jared L. Cohen University Center is our student union. Here you can take advantage of our recently expanded student fitness facilities, catch a show at the black-box theater, visit the chapel or University Store, or get lunch in one of many eateries.

Points of Interest

1. Warner Hall is home to Undergraduate Admission. Offices are located on the second floor.

2. Hamburgh Hall houses the Heinz College of Information Systems and Public Policy.

3. Robert Mehrabian Collaborative Innovation Center is a dry-lab research facility for technology companies and the university to collaboratively create innovative new concepts and products.

4. Newell-Simon Hall is named after Allen Newell and Herbert A. Simon -- founders of artificial intelligence — and houses the Human-Computer Interaction Institute and the Robotics Institute.

5. Roberts Engineering Hall houses research facilities for Materials Science and Engineering.

6. Posner Center is a LEED certified building and a gift of Henry Posner Jr. and Helen Posner. It contains a collection of rare and fine books, including one of only four copies of the first printing of the Bill of Rights. Visit the Kraus Campo rooftop sculpture garden made possible by alumna Jill Kraus, designed by California landscape architect Michael Van Valkenburgh.

7. Skibo Gymnasium offers varsity basketball, volleyball and volleyball games and is home to Carnegie Mellon’s Athletic Department. The university competes in the UAA, an NCAA Division III conference, and offers varsity, intramural and club sports.


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Popular Dining Locations

Here’s a snapshot of the more than 40 diverse dining options available on campus.

1. Entropy is Carnegie Mellon’s on-campus convenience store, offering a large variety of grocery items, fresh-made sandwiches and salads, as well as allergen-friendly and orthodox kosher-to-go options.

2. Rooted is focused on real, wholesome foods made with completely plant-based ingredients, offering street food favorites like Pad Thai and comfort foods like “meat” loaf with creamy mashed potatoes.

3. El Gallo de Oro offers authentic Mexican cuisine — burritos and burrito bowls, tacos, quesadillas and salads — made with fresh ingredients and features spices like cumino and chipotle.

4. Au Bon Pain at Skibo Café offers 10 soups daily, made-to-order sandwiches and salads, as well as to-go wraps, yoga parfaits and pastries. Also enjoy delicious hot or iced tea, tees and espresso drinks.

5. Rohr Commons features AVI Pure and Tazza D’Oro. Pure serves food free of artificial colors, flavors and sweeteners, and antibiotics and growth hormones. Tazza D’Oro sells sustainably sourced coffee and espresso, and panini and desserts sourced from local vendors.

6. iDoodle serves authentic Asian cuisine in an open kitchen environment. The menu features made-to-order poke bowls, salads, ramen, pho, dumplings, bahn mi and bubble tea.

7. La Prima, the only certified organic roaster in Pittsburgh, offers Italian-style coffee and espresso, cold brew, nitro coffee on tap, as well as sandwiches, pastries and vegetable options.

8. The Underground, a campus-favorite hangout, offers all-day breakfast, burgers and sandwiches, entrée salads, soups, the Underground’s famous chicken strips and crispy fries, and dessert!

Common First-Year Residences

All first-year undergrads live in residence halls. Listed on this map are typical first-year halls and the Greek Quad. Carnegie Mellon is proud to have the first green residence hall in the U.S., Stever House.

1. Donner House

2. The Hill

3. Bos House

4. Herter House

5. McGill House

6. Stever House

7. Morewood E-Tower

8. Scobell House

9. Residence on Fifth

Please note: Some buildings and eateries may not be open during your visit.

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