

Welcome to Central Connecticut State University!



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Self-Guided Tour

Welcome to Central Connecticut State University! We are very pleased to have you here and enjoying our beautiful campus. Central Connecticut is home to more than 11,000 students, with about 9,700 undergraduates and 2,100 graduate students. We are located on nearly 165 beautiful acres that are home to numerous academic and recreational facilities.

Feel free to walk around campus at your leisure, as all of the academic and administrative buildings are open. For safety purposes, all nine of our residence halls are locked 24 hours a day. While we encourage you to visit any part of campus that you wish, the following route is similar to the tour that our guides provide on a daily basis. For your convenience, a campus map can be found at the end of this document. **Numbers in parentheses indicate each building on the map; descriptions of all buildings are attached to this packet as well in alphabetical order.**

If, after your visit today, you decide that you would like to come back to campus for a guided tour, please visit www.ccsu.edu/admissions/tours or call the tour line at (860) 832-2289 and we will check the tour schedule for the next available date.

Your self-guided tour begins with your arrival in the **Student Center (#13)**. The Student Center houses our Devil's Den Food Court, Breakers game room, and the university bookstore. When you exit from the front of the Student Center, you will notice our newest Residence Hall, **Mid-Campus (#41)**. Mid-Campus is where all Residence Life offices are located, as well as our newest fitness center on campus. If you take a right and begin walking up the hill, you will be in front of **Harrison J. Kaiser Gym (#7)** and **Kaiser Annex (#35)**, otherwise known as the "Bubble." Inside Kaiser Gym there are amenities such as, but not limited to, an Olympic-sized swimming pool, four dance studios, and a larger fitness center. Just beyond the gym are the "Up the Hill" residence halls, **Thomas A. Gallaudet Hall (#16)**, **Robert E. Sheridan Hall (#14)**, **Robert Vance Hall (#20)**, and **Samuel J. May Hall (#9)** as well as our newest dining hall, **Hilltop Café (#85)**.

If you proceed back down the hill you will see **Nicolas Copernicus Hall (#23)** on your left, and on your right will see the **Elihu Burritt Library (#22)**. If interested, feel free to enter the library and take a look around and perhaps grab a coffee in our newly built Starbucks!

As you exit the library, continue down the hill toward the waterfall, otherwise known as the CCSU Mall. You will see our other dining facility, **Memorial Hall (#18)**, in front of you. If Memorial Hall is on your right, follow the path to **Robert C. Vance Academic Center (#37)**, a state-of-the-art academic building that is home to the School of Business. You can enter Vance Academic Center and walk the length of the building on the first floor. Along the way you will be able to see one of our lecture halls and a number of classrooms.

After walking through Vance, you can look out on our beautiful campus across the Vance Lawn and make your way up the stairs toward **Marcus White Hall (#3)** and **Marcus White Annex (#3A)**. If you'd like to take a look around, you can find the computer lab in Marcus White Annex. Outside of Marcus White, ahead of you and to the right, you will see the "Down the Hill" residence halls—**Clarence Carroll Hall (#4)**, **Catherine Beecher Hall (#8)**, **Mildred Barrows Hall (#19)**, **F. Don James Hall (#36)**, and **Seth North Hall (#10)**. Inside the basement of **Catherine Beecher Hall (#8)** you will find a fitness center that is available for students.

At this time, Carroll Hall is a temporary home to some of our amazing services on campus. You can find Veterans Affairs, The Learning Center (the math tutoring lab and Writing Center), Transfer and Academic Articulations, the Center for Advising and Career Exploration, Student Disability Services, Ammon College of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences advising space, the Office of Student Conduct as well as the Department of English. These offices have been moved in preparation for the new “One Stop-Shop,” which will combine **Emma Hart Willard Hall (#11)** and **Frank DiLoreto Hall (#15)**.

If you continue straight up the walkway, you will be able to enter **Davidson Hall (#1)**, the main administrative building. You will find the newly remodeled Admissions Office, Financial Aid, Bursar, and Registrar’s Office, along with the President’s Office. Walk down the length of Davidson Hall by Torp Theatre, one of our venues for music and theatre performances. Take a right while exiting the doors and go down the stairs. To your left you will see **Barnard Hall (#5)**, home to the School of Education and Professional Studies as well as the Center for International Education. Facing forward, you will be directly in front of our new **Social Sciences Hall (#70)**. The Social Sciences Hall houses the history, political science, geography, sociology, and anthropology departments. SSH is a 75,000-square-foot building that includes 17 classrooms, two computer labs, five specialized laboratories, a map room, three student lounge/study areas, and three general conference rooms. This new building meets the LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) Silver Certification.

Directly across from the Department of History is a set of elevators or stairs that will take you down to the first floor. Upon exiting the building to your left, you will see Welte Garage, a card-accessed student parking facility. Directly next to the garage, you will notice **Herbert D. Welte Hall (#6)** slightly to your right. Welte Hall is the main auditorium on campus and it seats 1,900 audience members. We have many guest speakers and events, such as free movie showings, that take place in Welte Hall. It is also home to the Music Department.

On your way back to the Student Center, you will notice **Maria Sanford Hall (#12)** on your right where you will find our Computer Science Department and the classrooms where the majority of our Mathematics and Computer Science classes are held. Maria Sanford recently received a makeover including new media resources, air conditioning features, seating, and desks.

At this point, this is the end of our suggested route to tour campus. Should you wish to schedule a guided tour with one of our student tour guides, please visit www.ccsu.edu/admissions/tours or call the tour line at (860) 832-2289 and we will check the tour schedule for the next available date. Tours are offered Monday through Friday at set times. If you have any questions after you have finished your tour, one of our admissions counselors will be happy to speak with you. The Recruitment and Admissions office is located in Davidson Hall, Room 115. We are open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Building Descriptions

“Down the Hill” Residence Halls

(#8) Catherine Beecher Hall: Beecher is a three-story residence hall where each room has double occupancy. The first two floors are for male students and the third floor is for female students. This hall is also traditional style with a community bathroom on each floor. A recreation room, laundry room and kitchen are located in the basement. The newest addition to Beecher Hall is a fitness center, operated by RECentral, which is open to all members of the campus community at no charge.

(#19) Mildred Barrows Hall: Sorry men, women only at this stop. Barrows Hall, a six-story building, houses 226 female students, and is the only same-sex residence hall on campus. Barrows is a quad-style building, where every three rooms share a bathroom. On each of its six floors there is a community kitchen for the residents’ use. There are two large lounges for programming and studying, one of the lounges has a 51” television for the residents’ use. There is a computer lab available for students on the first floor. In the basement there are laundry facilities and snack machines available to the students. The Department of Residence Life is also located in Barrows Hall, so please feel free to stop in to ask about housing.

(#37) F. Don James Hall: In contrast to Seth North Hall and Beecher Hall, James Hall is set up in a suite-style format. Each suite has three or four double occupancy rooms with a shared bathroom and a furnished common area. On each floor there is a full kitchen and a lounge for the residents to use. There are also 2 computer labs, a laundry facility, and a 52” television and pool table in the main lobby.

(#10) Seth North Hall: Home to 110 students, Seth North is the smallest residence hall on campus. This residence hall is a three-story, hall-style arrangement housing first year students only. Like Beecher Hall, the first two floors are for male students and the third floor is for female students. Located in the basement are a laundry room, kitchen and recreation room for student use.

“Up the Hill” Residence Halls

(#16) Thomas A. Gaulladet Hall: Looking for co-ed style living with a twist? Then join the community of 277 residents living at Gallaudet Hall. This six-floor building provides two floors for male students, two floors for female students and two floors for male and female rooms on the same floor (separate bathroom facilities appropriately accommodate this arrangement). Gallaudet Hall offers furnished common area living rooms on each floor and a recreation room with a pool table. Don't miss the chance to join in on the fun in Gaulladet Hall!

(#14) Robert E. Sheridan Hall: Sheridan Hall is the home to 224 co-ed students, 6 Resident Assistants, and one full-time live in professional. Sheridan is a “quad style living”, in which three rooms share one bathroom. Each room is provided with standard twin bunks, bureaus, desks, and chairs. Sheridan Hall has six co-ed floors and is air-conditioned. There is a kitchen and a fully furnished lounge on every floor with computer hookup and 27” television. On the ground floor there is a lounge with a pool table, a computer room, and laundry facilities.

(#20) Robert Vance Hall: Vance Hall is the home to 400 students, 13 resident assistants, and one full-time live in professional. Vance is a “community living” building with straight hallways and a bathroom that is shared by 4-6 rooms. Each room is provided with standard size twin bunks, bureaus, desks, and chairs. Vance Hall has 7 floors that are coed by floor. There is a kitchen and a fully furnished lounge on every floor with 27” inch television. On the ground floor there is a lounge with a pool table, a foosball table, and a computer room. In the basement there are laundry facilities and a large programming and study space.

(#9) Samuel J. May Hall: Otherwise known as Sam May Hall, the building houses 156 students with two floors for male students and one floor for females. There is a computer lab, a large recreation/lounge area, a kitchen and a laundry room in the basement. The newest addition to Sam May Hall is a fitness center, operated by RECentral, which is open to all members of the campus community at no charge.

“Mid Campus” Residence Hall

(#41) Mid-Campus Hall: Join the 634 co-ed students who call Mid Campus home in our newest Residence Hall! Mid-Campus Hall offers three styles of living: double room with attached bath, suite with one double and two singles sharing a living room and bath, and one suite with two

double rooms sharing a living room and bath. Each floor offers a kitchenette and one group study room. A 2,000 sq ft. fitness center, community kitchen, activity/game room as well as a lounge complete with a cozy fireplace!

Campus Buildings and Offices

(#5) Henry Barnard Hall: Contains the School of Education and Professional Studies, Graduate Studies as well as the Center for International Education; which operates the study aboard program. CCSU is affiliated with over forty different countries for students to spend a semester aboard, as well as offering course aboard, which allows students to spend a few weeks in a foreign country and is led by one of the CCSU faculty members. The course aboard are operated during winter, spring, and summer break. Also located in Barnard are the Counseling and Family Therapy, Educational Leadership, Nursing, Reading and Language Arts, Special Education and Teacher Education departments.

(#22) Elihu Burritt Library: Books along with DVD's scores audio CD's, Kindles, calculators, tablets and laptops are available to be loaned out. The Circulation Desk, the Inter-Library Loan, public computers, The Academic Center for Student Athletes and Starbucks can be all be found on the first floor while the Special Collections/Rare books, 3D Printing, and Italian Resource Center are located on the 2nd and 3rd floors. The library provides full access to leading online references and to catalogs of the other three libraries in the Connecticut State University system.

(#29d) Campus Police Department: Also referred to as the Public Safety Building, Campus Police Department operates 24 hours a day, 365 days a year and promotes campus-wide safety with over 80 blue light emergency phones and two shuttles circulating campus during the day and evenings. It arranges escorts, offers crime awareness and prevention programs, provides a substance-abuse referral service, and oversees fire marshals and the computerized fire-detection/alarm systems. One of the newest safety procedures is the Emergency Notification System, which has speakers placed on all of the buildings to allow for easy announcements across campus. There is also an e-mail alert system in place, which allows campus announcements to be sent out campus-wide. As part of the Emergency Notification System, students can submit their phone numbers to receive text and voicemail alerts on their cell phones.

(#23) Nicolaus Copernicus Hall: Copernicus Hall houses the School of Engineering, Science and Technology and maintains all Science classes. There is a planetarium on the second floor and a greenhouse on the roof.

(#1) Lawrence Davidson Hall: The focal point of our campus and one of CCSU's original buildings, Davidson Hall houses the Office of the President and those of his vice presidents and many senior officers, the Admissions Office, and the Georgian-style auditorium, Torp Theatre. Additionally, the Modern Language Department is located on the second floor. Also located on the second floor of Davidson is the Financial Aid

and Bursar's Office. All students who are eligible for financial aid only need to fill out the FAFSA form to qualify. The Bursar's Office handles all of the student accounts and billing and students are able to access their accounts online.

(#7) Harrison J. Kaiser Hall: Kaiser Hall is the athletics building and boasts a 4,500-seat gymnasium. CCSU is a Division-1 school and offers 18 men's and women's sports. Available equipment and resources include a swimming pool and a fitness center. The Kaiser Annex, or "Bubble," has indoor tennis courts, a three-lane track and basketball courts. RECentral, which operates all of the recreation here on campus, runs the three fitness centers located on campus, and has their office in Kaiser Hall. All of the fitness centers are free of charge to all students, faculty, and staff, as long as they bring their Blue Chip Card (student identification) with them. Personal training is also available.

(#25) James J. Maloney Hall: Maloney Hall is the Fine Arts building and the Art and Theatre Department offices are all located here. The Black Box Theatre and Samuel S. T. Chen Art Center, a gallery that hosts exhibits, lectures and other special events, can be found here.

(#3) Marcus White Hall: Marcus White Hall was originally constructed as the first residence hall on campus. The side of the building that faces Davidson Hall houses the offices of faculty members of the Math and Psychology Departments. Student Wellness Services are also located in Marcus White Hall and provides free counseling for students. There is a doctor on-call 24 hours a day and the center is able to provide a full-range of medical services for students. Insurance is required for all full-time students; however, students may supplement their own insurance if they choose.

(#3A) Marcus White Hall Annex: This building is an addition that has been added on to Marcus White. The Marcus White computer lab consists of 230 computers of a mix of PCs and Macs that are all connected to the Internet. Training on the computers is available to students and once they are registered for courses, each student is given an account that allows them to use any computer on campus. However, chatting and game playing is prohibited in the lab. Students must use their Blue Chip card (student I.D) to get into the lab and it is also needed to use the printers and photocopiers. The lab is conveniently open seven days a week, Mon.-Thurs. 7:30-midnight, Fri. 7:30-6:00p.m., Sat. 9:00-6:00p.m. and Sun. 1:00-10:00p.m. There is also a PC and Mac classroom, where professors will often hold class and these can be available to students. Each month, students are provided with a free \$10 on their Blue Chip card that can only be used in the computer lab and library and can only be used for printing. With this money, students are able to print about 100 free pages of black and white printing a month. The money is then replenished at the beginning of every month.

(#12) Maria Sanford Hall: Sanford Hall is the home for the Computer Science department as well as where the math and computer science classes are held. All students are required to take math courses, related to their major.

(#18) Memorial Hall: Memorial Hall is home to the student dining hall on campus. There is only one cafeteria on campus for all residents and residents are required to have a meal plan. The meal plan is called the True Blue All-Access and allows students to go into the cafeteria as many times as they wish during the day. The café is open from about 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. Monday through Friday and is open on weekends. The café is divided into two sides: the North Side, which faces the Student Center, and the South Side, which faces the Vance Lawn and the Down

the Hill residence halls. The North Side is where breakfast is served everyday as well as the meal of the day and vegetarian and vegan options. The South Side is where the “traditional” favorites are located, including the salad bar, the deli bar, pizza, hamburgers, fries, and the ice cream machine. The best place to burn those calories are on the first floor of Memorial where the RECentral fitness classes are located. Classes include Boot Camp, Spinning, Zumba, Cardio Dance and Yoga. All classes are free of charge with your Blue Chip card (student I.D.)

(#NH) Newman House: Newman House is home to our Interfaith Campus Ministry, an interdenominational place for relaxation and quiet study.

(#13) Student Center: The Student Center has become the hub of the campus. Built and opened to the student body in the Fall of 2002, it houses the University Bookstore managed by Barnes & Noble, The Devil’s Den Food Court, the ever-popular Breakers Game Room, the Alumni Hall multi-purpose room, numerous meeting areas, the Student Government Association (SGA), the Central Activities Network (CAN) and other student organizations, The Recorder newspaper, WFCS Radio, The Ruthe Boyea Women’s Center, and the Mosaic Center which sponsors a variety of cultural and human-relationship programs. CCSU is home to over 100 student-run clubs and organizations that provide many different activities and events on campus. Every Thursday night, the Student Center hosts Devil’s Den at 10p.m., an event to provide a safe alternative to students.

(#20) Robert C. Vance Academic Center: A state of the art facility, Vance Academic Center houses the School of Business and the departments of Communication, Criminology/Criminal Justice, Design (Graphic/Information) and Economics.

(#6) Herbert D. Welte Hall: One of Connecticut’s largest auditoriums, Welte Hall seats nearly 1,900 people and is used to show movies twice a week and to conduct concerts, productions, shows for guest speakers and other events throughout the year. Music majors will also find their classrooms and practice rooms here in Welte.

(#4) Clarence Carroll Hall: At this time, Carroll Hall is a temporary home to some of our amazing services on campus. You can find Veteran’s Affairs, The Learning Center (Math tutoring lab and Writing Center), Transfer and Academic Articulations, Center for Advising and Career Exploration, Student Disability Services, Ammon College of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences Advising Place, Office of Student Conduct as well as the Department of English. The Learning Center is open to all students and all first-year students are strongly encouraged to visit the office if they need assistance. The Learning Center is able to provide many different resources for students, including assistance with study habits, note-taking skills, and time management skills. Within the Learning Center is Student Disability Services which provides support for students who may have disabilities and require special accommodations. Also located within the Learning Center is the Math Tutoring Center. The Math Tutoring Center is available to all students at no additional charge and offers one-on-one help for students in any math subjects. In addition to housing the English Department, Carroll is also home to the Writing Center. The Writing Center is open Mondays & Wednesdays 10:00 a.m.- 7:00 a.m., Tuesday & Thursdays 10:00 a.m.- 4:00 p.m. and Fridays 10:00 a.m.- 2:00 p.m. Students can talk with a counselor in the Writing Center about tips on how to improve their essays and papers while making actual revisions. The Center for Advising and Career Exploration (CACE) is located on

the first floor. CACE is where all first year students can meet with an advisor during registration periods or by appointment. In addition, CACE maintains numerous job postings and offers information on internships and co-operative education opportunities. Our Office of Veterans Affairs can be found in the basement. This office offers assistance for veterans who are attending CCSU and also works with the Veterans' Drop-In Center to provide many different services for returning veterans. Last, but not least, our Office of Student Conduct can be found in Carroll.

(#70) Social Sciences Hall: The new hall houses the departments of Anthropology, Geography, History, Political Science, and Sociology. The building includes 17 classrooms, two computer labs, five specialized laboratories, a map room, three student lounge/study areas, 71 department and faculty offices, three general conference rooms, and five department conference rooms. The new structure meets the LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) Silver certification, an internationally recognized green building certification system, and is part of the CSUS 2020 Capital Improvement initiative.

(#23A) Bichum Engineering Laboratory : The Bichum Engineering Lab is an approximately 4,300 square foot- single story laboratory building. Opening its doors in Fall 2013, this building boasts a comfortable and fully equipped laboratory room that can accommodate up to 20 students conducting 6 different laboratory experiences at the same time, as well as a 30' wind tunnel that is capable of moving air through the test section speeds in excess of 200 MPH!

Thank you for visiting Central Connecticut State University! We hope you enjoyed your time here and we look forward to seeing you on campus!

