



## CAMPUS WALKING TOUR

Welcome to the University of Maryland! By following these directions, using the map and starting at our Visitor Center, you should be able to see most of our approximately 1,350-acre campus in about 55 minutes. Naturally, it will take longer if you choose to go inside any of our buildings, which we recommend, **especially those in bold print**. Most are open 8AM-5PM on class days.

Note that on the map, “west” is at the top and “north” is to your right. The letters in parentheses throughout this written tour correspond to the circled letters on the map along the route described. While the route follows sidewalks, it involves some steps.

Start **(A)** on the US Route 1 side of Turner Hall, the building that houses “The Dairy” and our Visitor Center. From 1924 to 1993, the building served as a dairy-product manufacturing laboratory. Our famous ice cream, now made elsewhere on campus, has always been rated among the best in the metropolitan area.

Across US 1 is our Service Building. It houses our Department of Facilities Management. On the south side of the building is the headquarters for our 70+-member University Police Department.

Now walk across Rossborough Lane. On your left, across US 1, is Ritchie Coliseum, former home of our basketball, wrestling, and boxing teams and department of Intercollegiate Athletics [ICA] from 1932 to 1955. The coliseum is now used for concerts and recreational activities, as well as athletic events.

Rossborough Inn, on your side of US 1, is our oldest campus building. Built in 1804, it was the first stagecoach stop when heading north from Washington. It currently houses our Alumni Association, the Faculty/Staff Club and a colonial-style restaurant open to the public for lunch.

Walk along the north side of Rossborough Inn through the '10 Gateway, a gift of the class of 1910. Note that all 22 class members are listed!

Cross the roadway and walk between Reckord Armory, site of our Intramural Sports office and four basketball courts, and Lee Building, which houses our offices of the Bursar, Financial Aid, University Advancement, and Graduate School.

At Regents Drive **(B)**, turn left. At the top of the hill and before crossing Regents Drive, look to your left for a view of Greek Row’s 11 fraternities and 3 sororities. Including the social Greek houses in College Park, we have 27 fraternities and 20 sororities.

**Memorial Chapel:** Built in 1952, this building actually holds three chapels. Religious services, convocations, graduation ceremonies, and concerts are held here along with over 200 weddings a year. While anyone may be married here, many of the couples are fellow alums. On the hour, our alma mater (Maryland My Maryland) chimes from the steeple.

Cross Regents Drive and take the sidewalk to the left chapel. There, a tree in memory of alumnus Thomas Charles Dawson stands. It was planted by his family and friends.

A little further down the sidewalk, take the slate path leading to our Vietnam Memorial, erected in 1988 by students from our General Honors Program.

Returning to the sidewalk again, you are entering South Hill Residential Community. Turn left (**C**) and walk in front of Cecil Hall.

Once at the top of the steps, you're in the South Hill Quad. While some of these Halls are the oldest on campus, all have been renovated and feature apartments and suites. Mostly juniors and seniors live here.

Turn right so that Baltimore Hall is at your front left. Many of our residence halls are named for Maryland counties or county seats.

At the end of the quad, turn right (**D**) into another quad. On your near right is Prince George's Hall. On your far right is Cecil Hall again and on your front right is Kent Hall, where Jim Henson, creator of "The Muppets," lived as a student in the late '50's. Calvert Hall, on your left was built in 1914, and is our oldest residence hall.

As the sidewalk ends, turn left and go in front of Talbot Hall. Garrett Hall is on your near left. **South Campus Dining Hall**, on your far left and where most of our students dine, is one of three campus dining halls. (You may dine there too, using cash after loading your tray.)

Shoemaker, on your right, houses our Counseling Center, Learning Assistant Service, and Office of Disability Support Service.

After crossing the roadway and walking up to LeFrak Hall, bear right. As you enter the circular patio, the plaques on the wall (**E**) on your left show you where we began in 1856.

Called "The Grove" then, it is now Morrill Quad, named for Morrill Hall, our oldest academic building, on your far left as you walk through the quad. Taliaferro Hall, on your right, houses the James MacGregor

Burns Academy of Leadership, the Writing Center, the Institute for Global and Chinese Affairs, and the Center for Renaissance and Baroque Studies.

Straight ahead is Tydings Hall, home of our College of Behavioral and Social Sciences [BSOS]. In front of Tydings, bear left, walk towards the rear of Morrill, cross the road and go down the steps to the south of Worcester (residence) Hall. You're now in the North Hill Residential Community.

Bear right and follow the sidewalk along Preinkert Field House, which serves as an auxiliary gymnasium.

On your right is Somerset Hall, home to the CIVICUS Living and Learning Program, an innovative living-learning program organized around the theme of "creating a civil society." Next is Queen Anne's Hall, a residence for honors students.

At the top of the hill, Preinkert Drive becomes Campus Drive. Cross Campus Drive with Art/Sociology on your front left. It contains out departments of Art, Art History, Archaeology, and Sociology and our **Art Gallery**.

You're now in Tawes Plaza (**F**), a favorite relaxing/dining spot for students, faculty, and staff. On your left is Tawes Fine Arts Building.

On the west end of this building is **Tawes Theatre**, which serves as a roadhouse for traveling actors, and seats 1,350 for lectures, civic events, and student organization meetings. It also has hosted national presidential debates and Ted Koppel's 'Nightline' television show.

Across Campus Drive is Anne Arundel Hall, our Honors Living/Learning Center. The building houses 100 honors students, a library, computer lab, art gallery, and a visiting-scholar apartment.

Benjamin Building, on your left, houses our College of Education. Dorchester Hall, home to the Global Communities and Jimenez-Porter Writers'

House, is on your right. It is where students from more than 30 countries and the United States, representing a variety of cultural backgrounds, come together to form an international community and build understanding between cultures. Next, on your right, is St. Mary's Hall, where students live in clusters with other students, and agree to socially speak a specified language most of the time, with the purpose of developing language fluency.

The large round-roofed structure ahead is **Cole Student Activities Building**, usually referred to as "Cole Field House." Built in 1955, it holds the Air Force ROTC offices. The arena, has hosted lectures by Nelson Mandela, Jimmy Carter, and Kofi Annan; and performances by Elvis Presley, Bob Hope, and Bill Cosby. It was the former home of our men's and women's basketball teams until Fall 2002 when Comcast Center opened.

Now, go around to the left of Cole and walk between it and our varsity tennis courts. There are 20 campus tennis courts open at most times for recreational use.

At the north end of Cole, turn right (**G**) and go up onto the observation deck. Stop at the mid-point of the railing and refer to your map. Look along the numbered arrows: To the left of the stadium light poles is our new Clarice Smith Performing Arts Center (**1**). The white building (**2**) on the horizon (visible between the stadium light poles) is Archives II, and extension of the National Archives. The trees between you and Archives II surround our 6,675-yds, par 71 **University Golf Course** (**2**).

Tyser Tower (**3**), our press box, looms over **Byrd Stadium**, which hold 48,055 screaming fans for football and lacrosse games. In 1957, Queen Elizabeth II was on hand for our 21-7 football victory over North Carolina! It also has been the site of the NCAA men's and women's lacrosse championships.

On the far side of the stadium are three sets of high-rise residence halls (**4**), where most of our freshman and sophomores live.

At the stadium's open end is the **Gossett Football Team House** (**5**) and beyond the stadium is our **Campus Recreation Center** (**5**), complete with an Olympic-size pool, indoor track, fitness rooms, courts for basketball, volleyball, racquetball, and squash, and our outdoor **Aquatic Center**. Barely visible is left field of **Shiple Field** (**6**), our baseball stadium and beyond it is Computer and Space Sciences (**7**) and our practice football fields (**8**).

Now, walk to the east end of the observation deck and turn right, following the sidewalk between Cole and **Adele H. Stamp Student Union**. Cross Union Lane (**H**) so that you end up in front of the Union. It houses student groups, the University Book Center, the 565-seat Hoff movie theatre, a restaurant, postal services, fast-food eateries, banquet and meeting rooms, a bank and newly-renovated Recreation Center that has bowling lanes, billiards, and video games.

Walking east along Campus Drive, our **Health Center** is to your right across the street. Among its services are x-rays, pharmacy, mental health, dental, health education, and men's and women's clinics.

At the crosswalk (**I**), turn right and walk along the east side of the Health Center. On your left is H.J. Patterson Hall, home for segments of our Department of Natural Resource Sciences and Landscape Architecture.

At the sidewalk's end, turn right so that you are in front of Juan Ramon Jimenez Hall, our Language Center.

Turn left down the steps (**J**) and go in front of **McKeldin Library**. It is the largest of our seven campus libraries that

hold over two million volumes cumulatively.

In front of McKeldin is “**Testudo**,” our diamondback terrapin mascot. We are the “Terrapins,” because they are unique to the Chesapeake Bay region. This bronze statue is a gift of our Class of 1933. Tradition has it that rubbing Testudo’s nose will give you good luck, especially on your next exam. Try it!

Testudo faces McKeldin Mall, six football fields long. Our Main Administration building and President’s office are at the other end.

Continuing south, you come to our Journalism building (**K**). Turn left and go past Tydings and Francis Scott Key halls.

Once past Key, which houses our Department of History, you enter the courtyard (**L**) honoring Dr. Raymond A. Pearson, University President (1926-35).

From there, turn left to cross McKeldin Mall. The circular plaza is known as “The Senior Forum,” a gift from the Class of 1990. The sundial is a gift from our Astronomy Department. The Omicron Delta Kappa Fountain honors students tapped to that national leadership society for excellence in five areas, represented by the five cascading levels: scholarship, service, athletics, mass media, and the arts. All of our ODK members’ names are inscribed.

When looking east from the sundial, Woods Hall is on your right, and houses the departments of Anthropology, Women’s Studies, and Jewish Studies. On your far right is Marie Mount Hall, home for our Department of Family and Community Development. On your far left is Symons Hall with our colleges of Life Sciences and Agriculture and Natural Resources. On your near left is Holzapfel Hall, home of the American Studies Department, International Programs, and the Maryland English Institute.

Continue north towards the Biology-Psychology Building. Cross Campus Drive and enter Hornbake Plaza (**M**), another popular relaxing/dining spot. Microbiology is on your left. R. Lee Hornbake Library contains the National Public Broadcasting Archives and the Library of American Broadcasting. It also contains our University Career Center.

From this plaza, return to Campus Drive and head east along the south side of Hornbake. Follow the crosswalks to the left of the traffic circle. Next on your left, beginning with Physics, is the **Glenn L. Martin Institute of Technology**. North of Physics is Biochemistry and Chemistry.

When you get to the kiosk and the Metrobus stop and facing east, look to your front left. The building with the dome on it is Mathematics and further east is the **A. James Clark School of Engineering**. Now look behind you. It’s our landmark “M.” Many students have their pictures taken there on graduation day!

From the bus stop and using the crosswalks, go south towards Mitchell Building. Our **Undergraduate Admissions** office (**N**) is on the ground level.

By walking diagonally to the left of Mitchell, you will come to the upper end of our visitor parking lot.

**Have a safe trip home and thanks for visiting the University of Maryland, College Park!**

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