Welcome to the University of Colorado Boulder!

We're excited to share campus with you. From our unique architecture to the views of the Rocky Mountains, we know that each stop along the tour will show you the character of our university.

For more information about CU Boulder or how to apply, visit the fourth-floor reception desk in CASE (G-5) or the Office of Admissions, located in the Regent Administrative Center (RGNT, H-7)

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Be Boulder.
Self-guided tour

We start the tour at the CASE building; however, you can begin your self-guided tour at any point along the way. Each number represents a stop on the tour and is reflected on the campus map.

1. The Center for Academic Success and Engagement (CASE, G-5) is new to CU Boulder. This center contains classrooms, offices, study nooks and information about CU Boulder.

2. The University Memorial Center (UMC, F-6) is where students can find it all. Filled with restaurants, tables, conference rooms and the book store, the UMC is where students work, eat and meet friends.

3. Old Main (Main, D-4) Our first building. Old Main was built in 1876 with donations from our generous community. Old Main once housed the entire university, including the president, the library and all the classrooms. The third floor of this beautiful building is home to the CU Heritage Center—a free center that showcases the history of CU Boulder.

4. Macky Auditorium (MCKY, D-4) Built in 1912, Macky Auditorium is one of Colorado’s premier concert halls. The 2,047-seat theater hosts classical and popular musical concerts, dance performances, lectures and films. Stop by to see the beautiful mirror.

5. Norlin Library (LBR, D-5) The library features a learning commons, a research center, lazer technology rooms and a coffee shop. Norlin Library also houses the Writing Center, Center for Asian Studies, Faculty Teaching Excellence Program and Honors offices.

6. The Student Recreation Center (REC, D-9) The Rec Center was recently renovated and now houses two swimming pools (including an outdoor pool shaped like a buffalo), a 400-seat gym, 10,000 square feet of strength and cardio space, a climbing wall, six multipurpose wood courts and five fitness studios with more than 100 classes offered weekly.

7. Folsom Field (D-8) Our breathtaking football field is where Ralphie, our live mascot, can be seen charging the field at every home football game in the fall. The student section of the stadium faces the Flatirons, so students can enjoy the view of the field as well as the Rockies.

8. Farrand Field (G-7) This grass field features a performance stage and recreational space for students to enjoy. Some of CU Boulder’s 24 residence halls (same Farrand Field, including William Hall (E-6) to the southeast, Farrand Hall (E-5-6) to the east and Baker Hall (F-7-8) to the northwest.

9. Roser ATLAS building (Alliance for Technology, Learning and Society) (ATLS, F-6) This ATLAS building has facilities for innovative learning at CU Boulder. The building has facilities for innovative learning, information technology classes and research. The building features an auditorium, a 2,700-square-foot black box studio and a 1,000-square-foot production studio. It is here that art, tech and creative thoughts merge.

10. The Visual Arts Complex (VAC, F-5) This complex houses the Department of Art and Art History. It includes resources such as a workshop, art yard, Visual Resources Center and more. It also is home to the CU Art Museum, which is open to all visitors.

This is the end of your tour. We hope you enjoyed your time on campus and be sure to share your visit experience @FutureBuffs! #ViewsFromCU.

Dining options

Make the most of your tour and join us for lunch on campus. While there are many dining options on campus, we recommend checking out our Village Center or the C4C. Both offer a variety of options and are open to the public.

11. Village Center Dining and Commons (WNW, J-6) With housing, dining and an entrepreneurial center for students, the Village Center Dining and Commons on East Campus provides students with a full college experience. The center contains the Campus Startup Hub, a place for students to gather and grow their ideas with resources at the ready—3D printers, kitchensette and a virtual reality station, just to name a few. During the fall and spring semesters, catch a ride to the Village Center Dining and Commons on the free Buff Bus.

12. The Center for Community (C4C, H-4) is an on-campus dining hall that features dishes inspired by cuisine from around the world. With 10 micro-restaurants in the hall, you can enjoy a variety of flavors. Stop in for a meal—the C4C is open to all.

Academic buildings

Interested in seeing academic buildings while on the self-guided tour? Look for the icons on the map to find their locations and feel free to explore these campus buildings during normal business hours.

13. College of Music: Warner Imig Music Building (MUS, G-6) The Warner Imig Music Building is a large complex of practice rooms, faculty offices, ensemble rehearsal areas, seminar facilities and classrooms. Our College of Music not only offers traditional degrees in music, it also provides opportunities with music technology and entrepreneurship.

14. School of Education: Education Building (EDUC, F-4) The School of Education is nestled in the Butler and the Bruce Curtis Building Museum Collections, which houses collections, research and teaching facilities. CU Boulder is home to Colorado’s top-ranked school of education (U.S. News and World Report, 2017).

15. College of Media, Information and Communications (CMIC): The Armony Building (ARMR, C-3) Located across the street from Varsity Lake, CMIC found its home in our historic Armony building, which was originally the site of the Colorado National Guard. CMIC was established in 2015, CU Boulder’s first new college in more than 50 years.

16. College of Arts and Sciences: Eaton Humanities (HUUM, D-8) The College of Arts and Sciences has the largest number of majors and minors. Although fields of study for arts and sciences are housed across campus, it is Eaton Humanites that is the College of Arts and Sciences building. Eaton Humanities building offers state-of-the-art instructional technology, classrooms and offices.

17. College of Engineering and Applied Sciences: The Engineering Center (EC, F-10) This center houses our engineering offices, labs and classrooms. We offer top-ranked engineering programs in Colorado and across the Rocky Mountain region, and one of our own civil engineering professors founded the Engineers Without Borders NIDO.