CAMPUS AND FACILITIES

Colorado Mesa University’s Main Campus encompasses 109 acres in the heart of Grand Junction, Colorado. Nestled between mountains and high-desert canyons, the area is home to some of the best outdoor recreation in the country and enjoys approximately 300 days of sunshine a year. Explore Colorado Mesa University’s main campus virtually at future.coloradomesa.edu (http://future.coloradomesa.edu).

Western Colorado Community College (WCCC) is located just a few miles from the Main Campus and includes strong partnerships between the University, Mesa County Valley School District 51 and area businesses. WCCC serves the technical education and workforce training needs of both the university and area high school students. The community college also serves the community through summer camps and targeted certificates to serve industry and businesses.

Located at the base of the beautiful San Juan mountains, the Montrose Campus of Colorado Mesa University provides access to a variety of associate and bachelor degree programs in a scenic, smaller community campus setting. The Montrose Campus is located on South Cascade Avenue in Montrose, Colorado, and offers courses leading to the completion of selected associate of art (AA) degrees; bachelor of art (BA) degree completion tracks; essential learning classes, and selected upper-division and graduate-level classes.

The South Facility/Industrial Energy Training Center, located at 29 and D 1/2 roads in Grand Junction, Colorado, houses staff offices, training areas and classrooms for the electric lineworker program.

The Whitewater Facilities include CMU’s Forensic Investigation Research Station which remains the only high altitude facility of its kind in the nation and recently added a companion research facility in Park County, CO. Also located in Whitewater is our Colorado Law Enforcement Training Center which is run jointly with Mesa County and the Grand Junction Fire Department.

Academic Buildings


The Archuleta Center (2009), located near the Bishop Campus in the Foresight Industrial Park, houses classrooms and offices for construction management and machining technology programs. The center features an electrical lab, a computer lab and 9,200 square-feet of high bay learning labs.

Bishop Health Sciences (2013), located on the Bishop Campus, houses classroom and laboratory space for certificate and associate degree programs in health sciences.

Building B (1997), located on the Bishop Campus, houses WCCC student services offices, the Community Education Center and Chez Lena restaurant as well as instructional space for culinary arts, computer aided design, the peace officer standards and training academy, applied business, visual communications/film-making and high school programs.

The Campus Services Center (2007) houses offices for purchasing, warehouse/receiving and mail room staff as well as offices, shops and storage areas for facilities staff.

Confluence Hall (2018), the new 68,700 square-foot engineering building opened in January 2018. It houses CMU’s engineering programs, including the civil, mechanical and electrical/computer engineering programs delivered at CMU through a partnership with the University of Colorado Boulder. The building is also the new home for Eureka! McConnell Math and Science Museum.

Dominguez Hall (2008) houses modern classrooms, lecture auditoriums, small breakout rooms for student collaboration and offices for business and teacher education faculty. It features an outdoor patio, a coffee bar and a technology enhanced boardroom.

Escalante Hall (2014) The nearly 76,000-square-foot building is home to state-of-the-art classrooms, four computer labs, one open lab, several lecture style classrooms, numerous smaller seminar rooms, two television studios and offices for language, literature and mass communication faculty and staff. A state-of-the-art television production studio is part of the mass communication facilities. Escalante Hall is also home to KRMJ-TV, the Grand Junction affiliate of Rocky Mountain PBS.

The Fine Arts Building (2002) provides studio laboratories, offices and classrooms for studio art and graphic design. This facility has a large covered outdoor work area for ceramics kilns and a bronze foundry. The building design allows viewing of the studio activities from the hallways.

Health Sciences (2014, 2017), located on the north end of the Grand Junction campus, this building is the center of CMU’s growing health care offerings. Once the home of Community Hospital, the building represents a core of CMU’s comprehensive health care programs. The building has been remodeled and now houses classrooms, a simulation center and laboratory space for health science students.

Houston Hall (1940, 2011) is the first permanent building constructed on CMU’s main campus. It was renovated and expanded in 2010-2011 and includes classrooms and computer laboratories where a variety of subject areas are taught including humanities and the social and behavioral sciences.

Little Mavericks Learning Center (2018) is a newly acquired and renovated facility. The Little Mavericks Learning Center is also home to the Mini Mavericks facility offering infant care to students, faculty, CMU staff and the community.

Lowell Heiny Hall (1967) is a four-level building housing facility and administrative offices. The garden level/first floor is home to IRIS (Integrated Resources for Information and Solutions), a hub for student services that includes the Office of Student Success and Financial Aid offices. The fourth floor houses the Registrar’s Office and the Student Affairs Office. The west side of the building features the Gordon Gilbert Amphitheater (dedicated 2009), an outdoor gathering/classroom space.

The Maverick Center (2009) houses the Department of Kinesiology, intercollegiate athletics and campus recreation facilities. Included in the Maverick Center are the:

- El Pomar Natatorium - One of the premier aquatic facilities in the western United States, it features a 50-meter competition pool that is ten lanes wide and eight feet deep with two movable bulkheads. The diving well includes a pair of one- and three-meter boards. The natatorium also features water agitators and 3M sparger, a state-of-the-art Colorado Time Systems with speedlights and aqua-grip touch pads, Paragon sand top starting platforms with quickest anchors, a 21-foot by 10-foot digital display system, 22 loudspeakers that surround the pool and 750 permanent balcony seats.
Campuses and Facilities

- Hamilton Recreation Center - It includes a large fitness/strength training area equipped with weights and cardiovascular machines, a recreation gymnasium for intramural and club sports, two championship racquetball/wallyball courts, an indoor track and a 38-foot high climbing wall. The center was expanded in 2014 and now offers extended service hours.
- Monfort Family Human Performance Lab - An integrative multi-use laboratory that features state-of-the art equipment and provides advanced physiological and biomechanical performance and wellness testing for students, faculty, staff and community members. The facility now features a new environmental chamber to test the effects of both temperature and altitude on performance.
- Roe F. Saunders Field House - Originally constructed in 1968 and expanded in 1996, it provides facilities for a variety of physical education and recreation activities and includes Brownson Arena, a 2000-seat arena that surrounds the Wayne Nelson Court and is home to Colorado Mesa University's basketball, volleyball and wrestling teams. The Brownson Arena lobby was remodeled in 2018 to include modern design, a retail Maverick store outlet and an interactive, touch-screen television system showcasing the history of CMU athletics.

The north end of the Maverick Center complex includes the Elliott Tennis Complex and Maverick Field Stadium, home to Maverick tennis, soccer, and lacrosse. Immediately west of the complex are physical education and practice athletic fields, the Bus Bergman Field, and the Softball Stadium. The Softball Stadium was expanded in 2019 to include enhanced seating for spectators.

The Maverick Innovation Center (2019) is a building dedicated to advancing CMU's cyber-security program in the lower-level while the upper level is dedicated to providing creative space for students and the community. The center focuses on technological innovation, patent protection, intellectual property designation, technology transfer and interdisciplinary, creative work space.

Maverick Pavilion (2014) hosts numerous indoor sport activities throughout the year and includes the Chamberlin Cycling Center and a 38-foot climbing wall. The Pavilion also hosts a litany of external sporting events and regional athletic tournaments.

The Moss Performing Arts Center (2002, 2009) is home to performance venues, classrooms, choral and instrumental rehearsal rooms, dressing rooms, and offices. It features the lobby, originally built in 1969; the 605-seat William S. Robinson Theatre with fly loft and modern drama lighting systems; the smaller, more intimate Mesa Experimental Theatre; and the 300-seat Love Recital Hall. A three-story addition to the south end includes a scene shop, a costume shop, and a dance studio. In 2019 the Dr. Ruth Maurer practice facility was established in the south section of the facility.


The John U. Tomlinson Library (1986, 2015) expands the traditional library concept to include physical and electronic holdings and circulation of 365,000 library materials that are available in a variety of formats. About 23,000 journal titles are available via the library website and more than 20 million items are available through Prospector. The Tomlinson Library includes a diverse array of hospitality services including a full service cafeteria and coffee shop.

Wubben and Science Center (1962, 2010) contains classrooms, laboratories, offices and storage areas for physical and life sciences, mathematics and computer sciences. A special feature is the Weldon Lecture Hall that seats 100 persons. This building was completely remodeled in 1998 and connected to the Science Center. In 2010, a three-story, 31,900 square-feet addition to the west of the existing facility expanded classroom and research space for the university's science programs. The Science Center (1996, 2010) contains modern laboratories for biology, chemistry, geology and environmental sciences. This building also contains an electron microscopy laboratory and an herbarium. A special feature is the octagonal Saccomanno Lecture Hall that seats 120 persons and has full multimedia capabilities. An attractive courtyard between this building and Wubben Hall provides space for outdoor lectures and study. There is also a rooftop greenhouse that houses tropical vegetation for biology students to study.

Administrative Buildings

The Admissions Welcome Center (2008) houses offices for admissions staff responsible for assisting students with a smooth transition into their higher education experience. The Welcome Center offers multimedia meeting spaces for visitation programs and campus tours.

The Outdoor Program (OP) office (2018, 2019) is Colorado Mesa University's headquarters for outdoor adventure and education. Located on North Avenue near Houston Hall, the OP office offers a gathering space and provides equipment rentals for biking, boating, camping, mountaineering, rock climbing, skiing, snowboarding and more.

Residence Life (2008), located directly adjacent to the Admission Welcome Center, houses staff responsible for the on-campus living experience. In addition to providing educational events and activities, Residence Life helps to create safe, positive communities; offers leadership opportunities; and manages student behavioral concerns.

The Terry Youngblood Building (1992), located on the Bishop campus, houses WCCC administrative offices and classrooms and laboratories for automotive and diesel technology, welding, process systems technology and technology integration.

Residence Halls

Aspen Apartments (2020) are coed and house 124 second year and above students. Aspen Apartments are configured in four single bedroom apartments and offer study lounges, large community kitchens, and free laundry rooms on each floor. Each apartment includes a furnished living area with a 42” Television and kitchenette. The kitchenette includes a small refrigerator, sink, and cabinet/counter space. A student staffed front desk is also provided for your security and convenience.

Bunting Hall (2011) is a co-ed, suite-style building that can accommodate up to 328 students. The building offers suites with standard double rooms, lofted doubles, singles, super single rooms.

Garfield Hall (2013, 2014, 2015) is a traditional style residence hall that offers accommodations for 435 residents in double bedrooms. Each floor boasts three lounges and a community kitchen.

Grand Mesa Hall (2006) houses 286 residents in suites with a mixture of single, super single and double bedrooms. Each suite has at least two bathrooms with separate counter and sink facilities. Suites are furnished with “bunkable” beds and movable furniture. The living area in each suite has comfortable seating and a 32” flat screen, wall-mounted television.
Monument Hall (1997) provides suite-style living and is designated as our Substance Free Hall. Students who request to live in Monument must sign a contract pledging to be substance free on and off campus. Monument Hall houses 180 residents in suites that share a bathroom. Each double-bed room is furnished with carpet and movable furniture.

Lucero Hall (2009) is configured in five or six-suite rooms in the east wing and six-bed suites in the north wing, and houses 299 residents. This hall includes a 24hr Fitness Facility located in the lower level. At 1200 square feet, it includes cardio equipment, strength equipment and core/stretching equipment. All current, registered students have MavCard access to this portion of the hall.

Orchard Avenue Apartments (2012) offers fully furnished, three- and six-person apartments for 185 students. Most apartments include individual balconies as well as large community rooms and balconies on each floor.

Piñon Hall (1967, 2015, 2019) was fully renovated in 2015 and 2019 and is one of the original housing facilities on campus.

Rait Hall (1966) and Tolman Hall (1966) provide comfortable living quarters for 200 residents in each hall. Most rooms are doubles, but a few single rooms are available.

Walnut Ridge Apartments (1978) are furnished three- and four-bedroom apartments available to 120 sophomores, juniors, and seniors. Kitchen and bathrooms were renovated in 2017.

Wingate Hall (2016) is a traditional style residence housing 148 first-or second-year students who have a strong focus on academics. Each suite of two rooms features a lofted study room for the four residents. Community kitchens, bathrooms, study lounges, TV lounges and laundry are on each floor.

Community and Outdoor Spaces

The University Center (2010) is a two-story, 100,000 square-foot building and four-level parking structure that serves as the hub of campus life.

The facility features retail food service options that include a convenience store; Starbucks®; Chick-fil-A® and the main dining hall. It also houses an activity lounge for electronic gaming, pool tables, large screen TVs and The Point, a student-run pub. On the first floor you will also find the MAVcard Office, Career Services and the Information Desk/Parking Services customer service area.

The center's second floor houses offices for The Criterion newspaper, KMSA 91.3FM radio, the Campus Design Studio and the Student Life offices. It includes office and meeting spaces for Associated Student Government, Programming Activities Council, Club Advisory Board and the Cultural Diversity Board. The building also features the Meyer Ballroom, six meeting rooms and a large south-facing terrace.

The new Hotel Maverick (2020) is a 60 room boutique teaching hotel located in the heart of campus near the rugby pitch. Designed as a living classroom for our Hospitality Program, the hotel also features a high end restaurant and coffee shop.

The Academic Quad is the quadrangle surrounded by Wubben Hall to the north, Moss Performing Arts Center to the east, Houston Hall to the south, and Tomlinson Library to the west. Throughout the year it is used as one of the campus’ major corridors and as an outdoor meeting space for various campus events and activities.