



MINNESOTA STATE UNIVERSITY MOORHEAD

COMPREHENSIVE FACILITIES PLAN



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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Minnesota State University Moorhead's Comprehensive Facilities Plan is a dynamic, evolving vision that includes recommended plans for the short-, medium- and long-term. This is an ambitious blueprint for the future of MSUM, with immediate actionable steps and more ambitious action required to fulfill the vision.

The overall strategy aims to enhance the MSUM campus from the visitors' perspective and as experienced by students and employees, improve safety for pedestrians and vehicles, define outdoor space to support learning, activities and gatherings, and enhance the campus's sustainable initiatives. Each recommended project will be re-evaluated before proceeding. This analysis is called a predesign and will be undertaken in consultation with key campus stakeholders and the MSUM Facilities, Grounds and Safety Committee (FGSC).

Comprehensive Facilities Plan Highlights

- ▶ Decrease the physical size of campus with 6th Avenue South as the northern boundary.
- ▶ Keep clearly defined zones across campus – academic, residential, and athletics.
- ▶ Enhance the existing west campus gateway.
- ▶ Preserve historical buildings.
- ▶ Decrease campus square footage to reduce operational costs and focus resources.
- ▶ Increase sustainability and energy efficiency.

Current Campus Plan



Short-term Projects (1 to 5 years)

- ▶ Preserve legacy trees and establish a tree renewal program.
- ▶ Highlight our commitment to sustainability through prairie and pollinator gardens.
- ▶ Construct an Alumni Center connecting alumni with students and community members.
- ▶ Renovate Weld Hall while restoring Glasrud Auditorium to its original historic character.
- ▶ Complete a carbon footprint baseline study for the campus.
- ▶ Conduct an east-side and Nemzek Hall study to identify the best way to revitalize that part of campus, including renovation or new construction.
- ▶ Refurbish the Center for Business to reflect a dynamic, forward-thinking space and create a new finance lab.
- ▶ Develop the west side of campus with a gateway quad entry, updated plaza and landscape design to present a stronger MSUM identity.
- ▶ Remove Grier Hall, Murray Hall and Ballard Hall due to significant deferred maintenance and upgrades needed.
- ▶ Sell campus parking lots outside of the newly established northern boundary.
- ▶ Replace turf and track at Scheel's Field.
- ▶ Build an indoor recreation and practice facility for students.
- ▶ Complete the Comstock Memorial Union ballroom renovation.

See back for Medium/Long-Term projects...

Updated Campus Plan



Medium-term Projects (6 to 15 years)

- ▶ Refurbish or replace Nemzek Hall according to the results of the completed study.
- ▶ Add campus wind power and photovoltaics (PV) at parking by the stadium.
- ▶ Move science departments so all are co-located to Hagen and Langseth Halls.
- ▶ Alter traffic on the city streets running through campus to physically unite the campus and promote safe pedestrian-oriented spaces.
- ▶ Conduct a Housing & Residential Life study to anticipate future housing needs.
- ▶ If supported by the Housing study, remove residence halls with the most significant deferred maintenance and upgrades needed.
- ▶ Convert all of Holmquist Hall to suite-style rooms.
- ▶ Relocate the greenhouse from the Langseth Hall roof to a ground-level structure.
- ▶ Build a new Stadium support building and create a Dragon Walk of Fame to recognize notable alumni.
- ▶ Replace the Center for the Arts due to significant deferred maintenance and upgrades needed.
- ▶ Create a Discovery Park on the west end of campus to showcase innovative sustainable projects.

Long-term Projects (16 to 20+ years)

- ▶ Add blade-less wind generators along 20th Street.
- ▶ Renovate Bridges Hall for use by the Center for Business and repurpose the center to create lease-able small and start-up business incubator space.
- ▶ Add photovoltaics (PV) and electric vehicle charging stations to the southwest corner of campus.
- ▶ Renovate and refresh MacLean and Flora Frick Halls.
- ▶ Renovate space in the Library for an expanded Archives to support the university.
- ▶ Replace Owens Hall with a new Administration and Support Services building to create a visible welcoming front door for campus visitors.
- ▶ Expand the Gerdin Wellness Center with additional gym space.

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