

WELCOME TO WHEATON DAY 2026



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Friday, April 17, 8:30 a.m.–3:00 p.m.

Overview

ASK ME

One of the best things about Wheaton is our community. Look for people with the bright blue "Ask Me" buttons for assistance.

READY TO ENROLL?

Stop by the Enrollment table at Lyons Fest. You'll get a Class of 2030 ribbon for your name tag, and a chance to celebrate by ringing the enrollment bell for all to hear!



Scan to view the program and maps on your phone

8:30–9:30 a.m.

Registration

9:30–10:15 a.m.

Welcome Address

10:30–11:20 a.m.

The Wheaton Community: Supporting your Student's Success

(For Parents and Guardians)

Jump Into Class: Academic Sessions

(For Students)

11:30 a.m.–12:00 p.m. & 12:15–12:45 p.m.

Go Beyond the Classroom: Campus Resources

11:30 a.m.–1:00 p.m.

Explore Innovation, Creative and Experiential Spaces

11:30 a.m.–1:15 p.m.

Take a Tour

11:30 a.m.–1:30 p.m.

Enjoy a Complimentary Lunch

1:30–3:00 p.m.

Get Involved at Lyons Fest

8:30–9:30 a.m.

Registration

Haas Athletic Center, Beard Field House

9:30–10:15 a.m.

Welcome Address

Michaele Whelan, Ph.D., President

Walter Caffey, Vice President for Enrollment, Dean of Admission and Student Aid

Elizabeth McKinley '26

Haas Athletic Center, Emerson Gymnasium

10:30–11:20 a.m.

The Wheaton Community: Supporting Your Student's Success

For Parents and Guardians: At Wheaton, student success is built through a collaborative and caring community of support, mentorship, and meaningful connections across campus. Join campus leaders as they share how our academic advising, student life, belonging initiatives, athletics, and alumni engagement work together to support your student from their first day through graduation and beyond. Learn how the Compass Curriculum, combined with personalized life and career guidance, empowers students to explore their interests, build confidence, and prepare for life after Wheaton.

Haas Athletic Center, Emerson Gymnasium



JUMP INTO CLASS: ACADEMIC SESSIONS

For Students: Choose a session that piques your interest.

Arts at Wheaton

Meet and converse with faculty from the departments of design, theatre and dance, creative writing, music, and visual art. Get an overview of their programs and learn about how students can thrive in the creative arts industries.

Watson Fine Arts, Weber Theatre

Biosciences and Environmental Science

Learn about our majors in biology, environmental science, and neuroscience as well as our popular pre-health tracks. Hear about research opportunities that are built into our curriculum and what graduates can do with their degrees after leaving Wheaton.

Diana Davis Spencer Discovery Center, Hindle Auditorium

Business and Economics

Wheaton's innovative business and economics department equips students with a strong foundation in core areas while allowing them to specialize in multiple disciplines. Learn more about the business and management, economics, finance and marketing majors, as well as the new 4+1 Master's Program.

Diana Davis Spencer Discovery Center, Room 3328

Chemistry, Biochemistry, Forensic and Medical Science

Discover the many ways students studying chemistry, biochemistry, forensic science, and medical science gain real-world skills in our classes and labs. Learn about our popular pre-health tracks, and hear about recent graduates' experiences post-Wheaton.

Diana Davis Spencer Discovery Center, Room 3327

Computer Science, Mathematics and Physics

From artificial intelligence and data science to astronomy, geology and engineering pathways, faculty expertise at Wheaton spans a broad range of computational, quantitative, and physical sciences. Explore how students in computer science, mathematics, and physics engage in hands-on learning and research, and learn about opportunities both on and off campus—including work in our observatory and interdisciplinary fields shaping the future.

Diana Davis Spencer Discovery Center, Room 1349

Education

Wheaton's small classes and supportive environment foster success in the meaningful professions of early childhood, elementary, and secondary education. Hear from faculty and students on experiential learning opportunities and the process for obtaining licensure.

Diana Davis Spencer Discovery Center, Room 3343

English and Philosophy

Studying literature and philosophy hones your ability to analyze complex ideas, construct arguments, and develop your authentic voice. Hear faculty and students in the fields of English and philosophy share how these versatile majors prepare students for careers in writing, law, research, publishing, library studies, and more.

Diana Davis Spencer Discovery Center, Room 2360

Film, Digital Media and Communication

Film and new media studies and digital media and communication students acquire the skills, knowledge, and experiences needed to become part of the creative economy. Hear how these programs prepare today's students through project-based learning to become tomorrow's content producers, makers, innovators and game-changers.

Mars Art and Humanities, Meneely, Room 201

History, Languages and Culture

Studying history, languages, and culture equips students with the tools to become active and informed global citizens. Learn how students engage deeply and meaningfully with the intersection of languages, culture, and global systems, through our curriculum and Global Honors program.

Diana Davis Spencer Discovery Center, Room 3334

Nursing

Experience firsthand how the BSN program at Wheaton prepares students for nursing at the intersection of community health and justice through an interactive session in our state-of-the-art simulation center and labs.

Diana Davis Spencer Discovery Center, SIM Lab

Psychology and Neuroscience

Explore how students study behavior and the brain through our psychology and neuroscience programs. Learn about hands-on research opportunities, interdisciplinary connections, and pathways to careers in mental health, research, and health professions.

Mary Lyon Hall, Holman Room

Social Sciences

Meet with faculty from the sociology, international relations, political science, criminal justice, pre-law and legal studies programs. Learn about how in-class and experiential learning opportunities help develop skills of critical thinking, ethical behavior, and global citizenship.

Mary Lyon Hall, Woolley Room

GO BEYOND THE CLASSROOM: CAMPUS RESOURCES SESSIONS

Select the breakout sessions that interest you most.

11:30 a.m.–12:00 p.m.

Life and Career Design Institute

Explore how the Life and Career Design Institute supports students from day one in achieving their personal and professional goals through innovative design thinking and guaranteed access to funded experiential learning opportunities.

Watson Fine Arts, Weber Theatre

Advising, Support and Accessibility

Wheaton is built to support you, and this session shows you how. Meet the **Filene Center for Academic Success** team and learn about the advising, accessibility, and peer learning resources available to every student. Then hear from the Provost about our new Explore Wheaton program: **Decide, Declare, Discover** – a fresh approach to how students enter the Compass Curriculum.

Diana Davis Spencer Discovery Center, Hindle Auditorium

12:15–12:45 p.m.

Compass Curriculum, Honors, Global and 4+1 Experiences

From our flexible Compass Curriculum, distinctive Honors Program, and our 4+1 master's degree pathways to myriad study abroad choices, such as WheaGo Global: learn about how Wheaton students take advantage of an education founded on academic rigor, global thinking and exploration.

Watson Fine Arts, Weber Theatre

Campus Life and Belonging

At Wheaton, your experience extends far beyond the classroom. With over 100 clubs and organizations, leadership opportunities, residential life programs, and a strong focus on community and belonging, students are supported in finding their place and making an impact. Learn about how students get involved, build connections, and shape their Wheaton experience.

Mary Lyon Hall, Holman Room

11:30 a.m.–1:30 p.m.

Enjoy a Complimentary Lunch *Chase Commons*

EXPLORE INNOVATION, CREATIVE AND EXPERIENTIAL SPACES

Drop by any (or all!) of the locations below at any time between 11:30 a.m. and 1 p.m.

Diana Davis Spencer Discovery Center

- Computer Museum, Next to Room 1347
- Entrepreneurship Studio, Room 2300
- Fab Lab, Room 2339
- Fiber Lab, Rooms 2339 and 2319
- Nursing SIM Labs, 2nd floor
- The Shop, Room 2338

Mars Arts and Humanities

- Davis Court Student Gallery, 1st floor
- Film, Printmaking Studio, 1st floor
- Sculpture Studios, 1st floor
- Digital Lab, Meneely 201

Mars Center for Science and Technology

- Greenhouse, 4th floor
- Imaging Center for Undergraduate Collaboration (ICUC), Room 1147
- Rooftop Observatory, 4th floor (weather-permitting)

Watson Fine Arts

- Beard & Weil Galleries, 2nd floor
- Kresge Experimental Theatre, Room 109
- Music Practice Rooms, 1st floor
- Permanent Collection, Room 145
- Scene Shop, 2nd floor

GET INVOLVED AT LYONS FEST

Check out this bustling festival from 1:30 to 3:00 p.m. to get connected with an academic department, club or organization that interests you. See the enclosed Lyons Fest Map for additional details.

The Dimple

(Rain location: Haas Athletic Center)

LYONS LINK-UP

Already committed to Wheaton? Join us during Lyons Fest to meet other members of the Class of 2030! Stop by to connect with fellow future classmates, meet Orientation Leaders, snap a photo, and start building your Wheaton community.

WANT MORE WHEATON?

3:00 & 5:00 p.m.

Softball

Wheaton College vs. Babson College (double-header)

Clark Softball Field

3:00 p.m.

Education in The Outdoors! (weather permitting)

Outdoors House Backyard

6:00 p.m.

Wheaton Flute Choir Concert *Cole Memorial Chapel*

6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

African Student Association Bonfire

Meadows Firepit

7:00 p.m.

Wheaton Radio Station Music Trivia

Join WCCS for our annual music trivia! Come test your knowledge of all things music, and get the chance to win some awesome music-themed prizes.

Balfour Hood Center, Atrium

7:30 p.m.

Wheaton College Dance Company

The ensemble performs under the direction of Artistic Director Andrea Taylor-Blenis.

Watson Fine Arts, Weber Theatre

NEXT STEPS

Wednesday, April 29, 2026 **President's Reception for Admitted Students**

Join President Whelan for dinner and take the opportunity to ask any final questions you might have about enrolling at Wheaton.

Friday, May 1, 2026 **Enrollment Deadline**

Submit the \$400 enrollment deposit via your applicant portal (admission.wheatoncollege.edu/status).

June 2026 **Summer Orientation**

Academic Orientation – Mentored Academic Pathway (MAP) is a required program designed to provide a comprehensive and engaging introduction to Wheaton. During this experience, you will connect with faculty, staff, and peers as you register for classes, explore academic opportunities and campus resources, and learn what to expect as you begin the fall semester. Peer advisors will be available throughout the day to answer questions and help guide your experience.

Wheaton will offer two identical Academic Orientation - MAP sessions on Thursday, June 18, 2026

- **Session I: 8:30 a.m.–12:45 p.m.**
- **Session II: 2:00 p.m.–6:15 p.m.**

You may choose the session that best fits your schedule.

If you are unable to attend in person, virtual advising and registration appointments will be available to ensure you are fully prepared for the start of your Wheaton journey.

IMPORTANT DATES

April 17, 2026 **Housing Portal Opens for Incoming Students**

June 18, 2026 **Academic Orientation**

June 30, 2026 **Housing Application Deadline**

July 15, 2026 **Health and Immunization Records Deadline**

August 25, 2026 **International Student Arrival, Move-In & Orientation**

August 27, 2026 **New Student Fall Arrival and Move-in**

August 27 - 30, 2026 **New Student Orientation**

August 31, 2026 **Transfer Orientation Opening Convocation**

September 1, 2026 **First Day of Classes**

Tours

Tours will depart on a rolling basis starting at 11:30 a.m. with final tours departing at 1:15 p.m. All tours will depart from Meadows Center.

Campus Tours

Campus tours last approximately 50 minutes and do not visit a residence hall.

Residence Hall Tours

Get a glimpse of a traditional residence hall room. Tour groups of 10 will depart every 15 minutes on a rolling basis. If you would like a closer look at the floor plans, scan the QR code.



Go Shopping

8:30 a.m.–4:30 p.m.

Start building your Wheaton wardrobe! Follow the instructions below to receive a coupon for 20% off one apparel or gift item. (See store for details. Restrictions apply.)

Follow these easy steps:

1. Visit CampusWelcome.com
2. Enter your email address
3. Enter access code: 0525

Show your coupon email at the register.

**Balfour-Hood Campus Center,
Wheaton Campus Bookstore**



EXPLORE LYONS FEST

The color bar above each title corresponds to the matching area on the map.

STUDENT CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS

Have a special interest? Looking to get involved? Check out Wheaton's student-run clubs and organizations.

- Active Minds
- African Student Association (ASA)
- Alliance
- Art Haus
- Astronomy Club
- Best Buds
- Black Student Association (BSA)
- Caribbean Ancestry Student Association (CASA)
- College Hearing Board
- Craft Club
- Davis House
- East Asian Student Association (EASA)
- Education Club
- Emerson Feminist Perspectives House
- Farm House
- Feminist Association of Wheaton
- First Gen House
- Flute Choir
- Forensic Science Club
- Genealogy Common Connections Group
- Intersivity Christian Fellowship
- Jewish Student Organization
- KAOS Dance Team
- Kresge Theatre Company
- May Fellows
- Lymin' Lyons Steel Band
- Outdoors Club
- Paraiso Latino
- Rushlight Art & Literary Magazine
- Sexuality Affirmation and Freedom of Expression (SAFE) Häüs
- Sexual Health Advocacy Group (SHAG)
- Sexuality Gender and Inclusion Board (SGIB)
- Stomping Out Loud Everytime (S.O.L.E.)
- Student Government Association (SGA)
- Student Government Accessibility Board

- Sustainability Board
- Tap Out Loud
- The Blend
- The Gentlemen Callers
- The Wheaton Dance Company
- The Wheaton Wire
- The Wheaton Whims
- The Wheatones
- Together We All Prosper (TWAP) House
- TRYBE Hip-Hop and Multicultural Dance Group
- Warlocks and Wyverns
- Wheaton American Chemical Society (WACS)
- WCCS (Wheaton College Communication Station)
- Wheaton Democrats
- Wheaton Events Board (WEB)
- Wheaton Music Co-Op
- Wheaton Society of Philosophers
- Wheaton's Hands-on Involved Student Kitchen (WHISK)
- Women in STEM
- Mar's Rooty Jewelry (Student Business)

STUDENT PERFORMANCE SPACE

Take a moment in between strolling the table fair to watch performances from Wheaton's talented groups.

- KAOS
- Lymin' Lyons Steel Band
- Stomping Out Loud Everytime (S.O.L.E.)
- The Blend
- The Gentlemen Callers
- The Wheaton Whims
- TRYBE Multicultural Dance Group
- Wheaton Music Co-Op Club

CLUB AND INTRAMURAL SPORTS

Do you like competitive athletics, but don't want the commitment of a varsity sport? Try one of Wheaton's club sports.

- Archery Club
- Cheerleading
- Club Soccer
- Equestrian Team
- Rugby (Men's)
- Rugby (Women's)
- Wheaton Ice Hockey
- Wheaton Ultimate Frisbee

ACADEMIC AREAS

Connect with faculty and students to explore majors, programs, and hands-on learning at Wheaton. Look for zones by bold interest area.

Business & Economics

Business & Management • Finance • Marketing • Social Entrepreneurship & Nonprofit Management • Human Resource Management • International Business • Economics • Econometrics and Quantitative Economics • 4+1 M.S. in Business • Student Business Initiatives: Better Buttons • WheaSlime • WheaPin

Creative Arts & Media

Design • Music • Theatre & Dance • Visual Art • Digital Media & Communications • Film & New Media Studies • Journalism Studies • 4+1 M.A. in Creative Industries

Education

Early Childhood Education • Elementary Education • Secondary Education • Teaching Multilingual Learners

History, Humanities & Culture

English • Creative Writing & Literature • Philosophy • African American Diaspora Studies • History • History of Art • Religion

• Greek, Latin & Ancient Mediterranean Studies • Global Cultures & Languages • Latin American Studies • Asian Studies • Anthropology • Global Fashion Industry • Transnational Cultural Studies • Race & Medical Humanities • Language Proficiency Certificates: French • German • Italian • Russian • Spanish

Society and Politics

Criminal Justice • International Relations • Political Science • Legal Studies • Sociology • Environmental Studies • Women's & Gender Studies

Psychology & Neuroscience

Psychology • Neuroscience • Public Health

STEM & Health Sciences

Biology • Biochemistry • Bioinformatics • Chemistry • Environmental Science • Forensic Science • Medical Science • Animal Behavior • Pre-Health Pathways (Dentistry, Medicine, OT, Optometry, Pharmacy, PT, PA, Veterinary) • Computer Science • Mathematics • Data Science • Statistics • Physics • Astronomy • Engineering (Dual Degree) • Nursing • 4+1 M.S. in Environmental Science

STUDENT SUPPORT RESOURCES

A strong support system is a must for any successful student.

- 4+1 Master's Degree
- Aramark Dining Services
- Academic Advising
- ARTS@Wheaton (Office of the Arts)
- Athletics Recreation and Fitness
- Center for Global Education
- Dean of Students Office
- Innovation Programs and Spaces
- IT Support Services
- Life and Career Design Institute
- Marshall Center: First Generation Student Support • Intercultural Learning • LGBTQ+

- Support • Religious and Spiritual Life • Community Impact
- Peer Tutors/Advisors
- Office of Accessibility Services
- Office of the Registrar
- Office of Residential Life
- Student Activities, Involvement and Leadership
- Wallace Library
- Wheaton College Early Education Center/Children's Laboratory School
- Wheaton College Counseling and Health Services

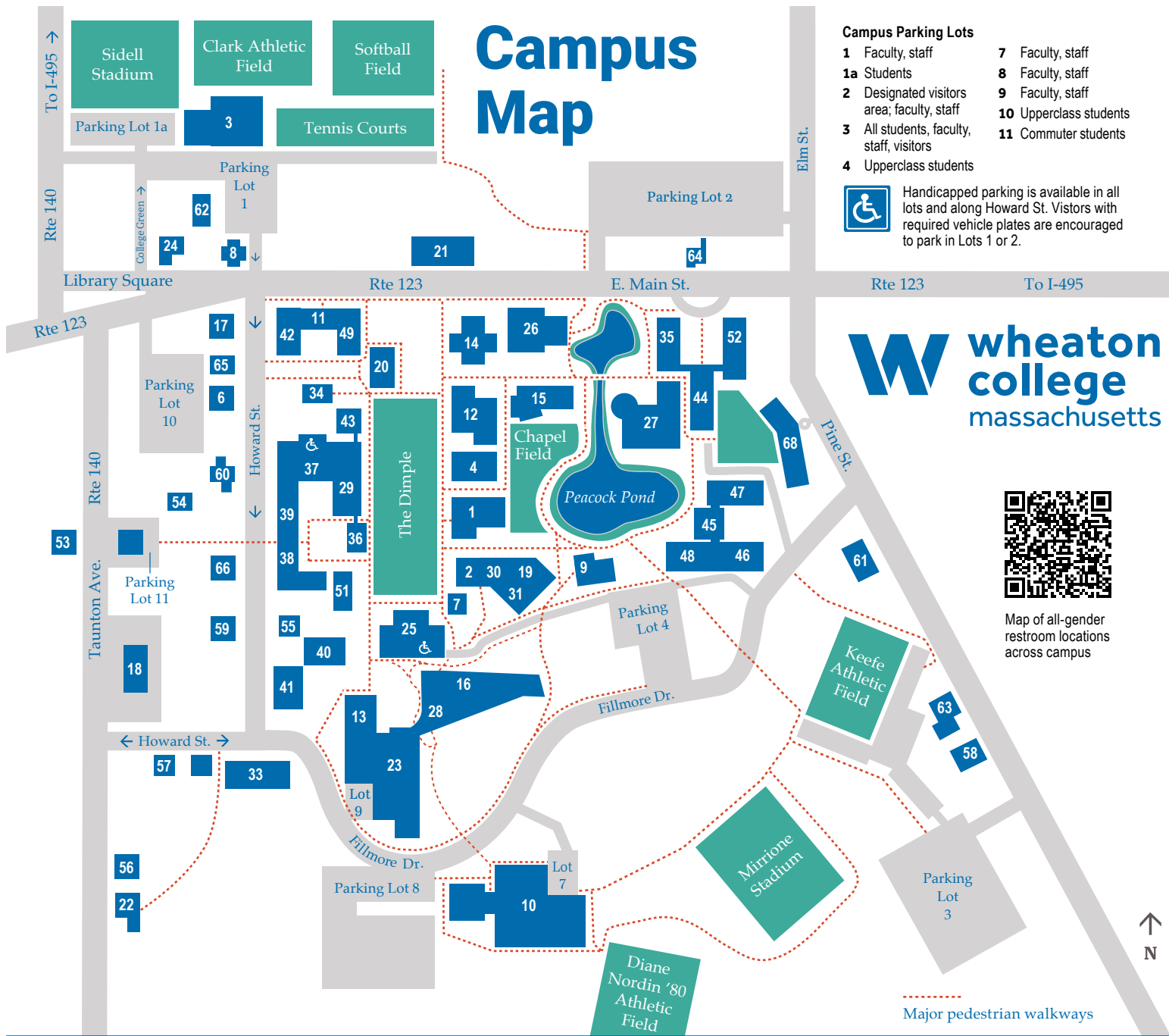
Visit the animal behavior research subjects (miniature ponies), with Senior Professor of the Practice of Biology, Shari Morris.

LYONS LINK-UP

Already Enrolled?
Don't Miss This!

- Meet your future classmates
- Connect with Orientation Leaders
- Learn what's next before the fall

Campus Map



Campus Parking Lots

- 1 Faculty, staff
- 1a Students
- 2 Designated visitors area; faculty, staff
- 3 All students, faculty, staff, visitors
- 4 Upperclass students
- 7 Faculty, staff
- 8 Faculty, staff
- 9 Faculty, staff
- 10 Upperclass students
- 11 Commuter students



Handicapped parking is available in all lots and along Howard St. Visitors with required vehicle plates are encouraged to park in Lots 1 or 2.



Map of all-gender restroom locations across campus

Academic and Administrative Buildings

- 1 Admission**
Admission Office
Student Financial Services
- 2 Balfour-Hood Campus Center**
Campus Mail Services/
Copy Center
Club Hub
Ellison Dance/
Aerobics Studio
Lyons Den
Media Center
Pappas Fitness Center
Residential Life Office
Student Activities,
Involvement & Leadership (SAIL) Office
WCCS Radio and
Recording Studio
Wheaton Campus Bookstore
Wheaton Wire
- 3 Clark Center**

- 4 Cole Memorial Chapel**
Religious and Spiritual Life
Social Justice and
Community Impact
Community Dialogue
and First-Generation
Student Success
Community Service and
Civic Engagement
- 6 Center for Global Education**
- 7 Doll's House**
Counseling Center
Education Department
Office of the Registrar
- 8 Early Education Center**
- 9 Facilities & Operations**
- 10 Haas Athletic Center**
Balfour Natatorium (pool)
Beard Field House
Emerson Gym
- 11 Hebe Hall**
Human Resources
- 12 Knapton Hall**
Classrooms
Faculty offices

- 13 Kollett Hall**
Academic Advising
Accessibility Services
Life and Career
Design Institute
Tutoring
- 14 Mary Lyon Hall**
Advancement Operations
Alumni Relations
Holman Room
May Room
Woolley Room
- 15 Mars Arts and Humanities**
Meneely
Visual Arts
- 16 Mars Center for Science and Technology**
Classrooms/Labs
Faculty Offices
Greenhouse
Lecture halls
Observatory
- 17 Marshall Center for Intercultural Learning**
- 18 Norton Medical Center**
- 19 Campus Bookstore**

- 20 Park Hall**
Administrative offices
Conference and
Event Services
President's Office
Provost's Office
- 21 Presidents' House**
- 22 Campus Safety**
- 23 Diana Davis Spencer Discovery Center**
Classrooms/labs
Faculty offices
Hindle Auditorium
Innovation Spaces
- 24 Ten Library Square**
Marketing &
Communications Office
- 25 Wallace Library**
Gebbie Archives
Library collections
Technical Support
- 26 Watson Fine Arts**
Beard Gallery
Ellison Lecture
Fiber Lab
Kresge Experimental
Theatre
Weber Theatre
Weil Gallery

Dining Facilities

- 27 Chase Commons**
Chase Round
Chase Square
Chase Small
- 28 Diana Davis Spencer '60 Café**
Lyon Bites (vending)
- 29 Emerson Hall**
Emerson Dining Faculty
& Staff Dining Room
Lyon Bites (vending)
Trustees Conference Room
- 30 Hood Café**
Lyon Bites (vending)
- 31 Lyons Den**

Residence Halls/Houses

- 33 Beard Hall
- 34 Chapin Hall
- 35 Clark Hall
- 36 Cragin Hall
- 37 Emerson Hall
- 38 Everett Hall
- 39 Everett Heights
- 40 Gebbie Hall
- 41 Keefe Hall
- 42 Kilham Hall
- 43 Larcom Hall

- 44 McIntire Hall
- 45 Meadows Center
- 46 Meadows East
- 47 Meadows North
- 48 Meadows West
- 49 Metcalf Hall
- 51 Stanton Hall
- 52 Young Hall
- 53 7/9 Taunton Ave.
- 54 11 Howard St.
- 55 22 Howard St.
- 56 26/28 Taunton Ave.
- 57 44 Howard St.
- 58 Bittersweet
- 59 Brooks Campbell House
- 60 Davis International House
- 61 Elms
- 62 Guest House
- 63 Linden
- 64 Oldfield House
- 65 The Sem
- 66 White House
- 68 Pine Hall