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MTSU AT A GLANCE

WELCOME TO MIDDLE TENNESSEE STATE UNIVERSITY!

Founded September 11, 1911, MTSU is proud of its century-plus commitment to academic excellence and student success. With more than 20,000 students and 1,200 faculty, MTSU is really the equivalent of a midsize city on a beautiful 515-acre campus.

From its beginnings as a school established to train teachers, MTSU has become one of the state's largest comprehensive universities. With nationally recognized academic programs, low tuition costs, and incredible scholarship programs, MTSU provides affordable, quality education for all its students.

One of MTSU's biggest selling points is the sense of community that stems from its roots as a small, regional college. Although MTSU has grown, it maintains a commitment to its students, offering a learning experience as remarkable and diverse as they are.

This guide will help you get familiar with the MTSU campus and the University's culture and achievements.

Thank you for visiting MTSU. Enjoy your stay!

I AM *true* **BLUE**.

DID YOU KNOW?



MTSU alumni and faculty boast more than 20 Grammy winners, with a total of 48 Grammys, since 2001 in multiple categories and genres.



We got milk. Agriculture students bottle award-winning chocolate milk at the MTSU Creamery. It's sold in stores on campus—grab some while you're visiting!

We are MTSU

20,488 Students

— FROM —



94

Tennessee Counties



48

States



77

Nations



150,000+
Alumni



DID YOU KNOW?



MTSU is home to WMOT 89.5 FM Roots Radio, the largest Americana radio station in the United States. WMOT opened a satellite studio in East Nashville in 2024.



There are three Nobel Prize winners associated with MTSU. The actual Nobel medal awarded to 1940 graduate James M. Buchanan, a pioneering economist, is on permanent loan to the University.

'BORO AND THE BLUE

MEET THE FAST-GROWING COMMUNITY MTSU CALLS HOME

MTSU students quickly learn that they're also part of Murfreesboro, whose residents reach out to students and make them feel at home. An ever-expanding city of more than 160,000 people, the 'Boro offers a vibrant quality of life that led *Rolling Stone* magazine to call it "a surprisingly hip town."

The heart of Murfreesboro has more than 100 buildings dating to the 19th century, with a historic square featuring restaurants, shops, and entertainment. The 15-mile Greenway System also hosts the Greenway Art Festival each September.

In the summer, the Friday Night Live concert series brings live music to the square. From mid-May to late October, you can pick up fresh produce, honey, bread, flowers, and more at the Saturday Farmers Market downtown. (Local farms offer pick-your-own strawberries and blueberries, too.)

Like history? Visit the Stones River National Battlefield, where nearly 80,000 soldiers fought a fierce Civil War battle. The national park includes living history programs and a cemetery for fallen U.S. soldiers.

Murfreesboro is just a half-hour drive to Nashville, Music City USA, where you can enjoy live music, museums, festivals, and your choice of pro sports—Titans (NFL), Predators (NHL), Nashville SC (MLS), and Nashville Sounds (minor league baseball).

And in case you didn't know: Murfreesboro is quite literally the middle of Tennessee—there's a monument near campus that says so.

WE ARE MIDDLE TENNESSEE

Middle Tennessee State University's impact is drawing attention. Just look at recent top rankings from national organizations.

The Princeton Review, one of the nation's leading education services companies, included MTSU in its annual Best Colleges rankings for the sixth consecutive year. *Forbes* and *The Wall Street Journal* also put MTSU on their lists of top colleges.

Rankings such as these elevate MTSU's profile across the nation and around the world. But what truly matters is what such rankings reveal: our unrelenting commitment to the individual success of each and every student in our True Blue family.

That success drives economic progress in the Nashville region and beyond. A new study found that MTSU alumni, including alumni-owned businesses, generated more than \$15.2 billion in business revenue in a single year.

The 2024 MTSU Alumni Impact Report by the Business and Economic Research Center in the Jennings A. Jones College of Business reflected how MTSU particularly bolsters the economies of its home and surrounding counties Rutherford County alone recorded more than \$4.1 billion in business revenue, the highest among all counties. In all, more than 114,900 MTSU alumni lived and worked in Tennessee in 2022.

MTSU has consistently been an influential part of communities and economies across Tennessee and the region. **True Blue!**

Sidney A. McPhee

President Sidney A. McPhee

TRUE BLUE PLEDGE

MTSU is working to develop a community devoted to learning, growth, and service. The University holds these values dear, and there's a simple phrase that conveys them: "I am True Blue."

As a member of this diverse community, I am a valuable contributor to its progress and success.

I am engaged in the life of this community.

I am a recipient and a giver.

I am a listener and a speaker.

I am honest in word and deed.

I am committed to reason, not violence.

I am a learner, now and forever.

I am a Blue Raider.

I am TRUE BLUE.





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DID YOU KNOW?



Cybersecurity Management is the newest major in the College of Business, offering students expertise to maintain the security of data, systems, and infrastructure—a high demand, high-paying field.



Meharry Medical College and MTSU have developed an accelerated pathway for talented students to become physicians and serve rural areas of the state.

FIND YOUR NICHE

MTSU offers a wealth of academic options

Do you have the curiosity of a forensic scientist? An ear for music? Maybe you've always wanted to teach or build things. With more than 300 academic majors and concentrations for undergraduate and graduate students, MTSU has plenty of options.

Animation, Fermentation Science, Dance, and Forensic Science are a few MTSU majors that are unusual for public universities in Tennessee. Nationally recognized MTSU programs include Aerospace, Accounting, Agriculture, Recording Industry, Industrial-Organizational Psychology, and Concrete Industry Management, which attract students from around the world.

MTSU houses academic programs at the baccalaureate, master's, specialist, and doctoral levels. The University has eight undergraduate colleges and almost 40 departments or schools, with more than 200 majors and concentrations. The College of Graduate Studies offers more than 100 different areas of study.

Find the option that fits your goals at mtsu.edu/search-program.

MTSU COLLEGES

Basic and Applied Sciences	615-898-2613
Behavioral and Health Sciences	615-898-2900
Jones College of Business	615-898-2764
Education	615-898-2874
Liberal Arts	615-898-2534
Media and Entertainment	615-898-5872
University College	615-494-7714
University Honors College	615-898-2152
Graduate Studies	615-898-2840

Some Special Centers on Campus

- Business and Economic Research Center
- Center for Health and Human Services
- Center for Historic Preservation
- Center for Organizational and Human Resource Effectiveness
- Center for Popular Music
- Free Speech Center
- Tennessee Center for the Study and Treatment of Dyslexia
- Tennessee Council on Economic and Free Enterprise Education



THOSE WHO TEACH

Exceptional students deserve an exceptional faculty. As part of its commitment to quality, MTSU provides students the opportunity to interact with and be guided by the nation's leading educators and practitioners.

A WINNING ARGUMENT

Debate has a proud tradition at MTSU dating back decades.

Researching and debating the topic of product safety in 1976-77, the MTSU Debate team contributed significant research and personal testimony to legislators as Tennessee led the nation in passing the first state law requiring children to use child safety seats in automobiles. But the last few years have been nothing short of a Golden Era for MTSU Debate.

Pat Richey, MTSU's director of forensics and an Honors professor of Communication Studies, has coached the Blue Raider debate team to 11 individual and team national championships since he became the University's debate coach in 2011.

"We have real talent in the student population at MTSU," Richey said. "We can hold our own against flagship institutions."

As a civil affairs sergeant in the Army Reserves during the Iraq War, Richey was attached to the 4th Infantry Division out of Tikrit, where he ensured civilians were off the battlefield and marked heritage sites.

"After conflict, we help rebuild. In Iraq, we had a tough task as there was very little infrastructure left—no water, no electricity, and very little sanitation," Richey said.

Being deployed in a war zone, he wasn't able to do a lot of formal debating, one of his passions from his college days. However, there was one notable exception.

"While I was in Iraq, I was in an online debate," he said, "and I ended up winning it. We did that via satellite; this was long before smart phones."

The world has changed a lot since then. But Richey's love of debate has not.

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LEGAL TIES

University partnerships support educational efforts and demonstrate MTSU's ability to be responsive to the economic and educational needs of our state. MTSU's most recent partnership is a sterling example of both.

MTSU and the Nashville School of Law (NSL), two storied institutions founded in 1911, are now pairing their various areas of instructional expertise to train students and working professionals seeking deeper legal knowledge to enhance their careers. The collaboration for MTSU's new Legal Studies master's degree also will help fulfill a growing Midstate workforce need.

The M.S. in Legal Studies will be offered primarily through the Jones College of Business. NSL faculty will teach initial core coursework online or at its Armory Oaks Drive campus, and students will complete the program through MTSU.

Designed for those who do not need or want to pursue a Juris Doctor degree, the 30-hour program aims to sharpen students' and working professionals' understanding of the law, including in the areas of contracts, critical legal thinking, legal ethics, writing, and case analysis.

Coursework will allow students to further develop in-depth knowledge in one of three concentrations: General Business, Compliance, or Entertainment—the last offered through MTSU's College of Media and Entertainment.

DID YOU KNOW?



MTSU is consistently ranked on *Billboard* and *Hollywood Reporter* listings of top music business programs globally. MTSU is rated No. 1 nationally among audio engineering schools by Audio Assemble.

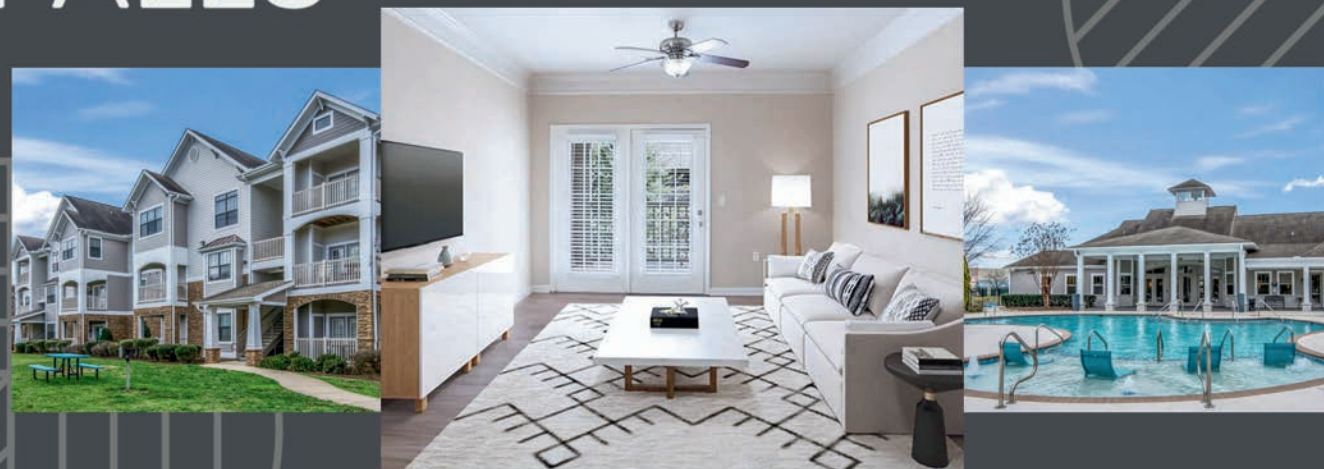


Jones College of Business students in MTSU's Professional Selling concentration have access to an innovative sales laboratory. The Center for Professional Selling, with its 20+ corporate partners, allows students to learn from mock sales calls and professional development.



HackMT brings college students together annually for a regional hackathon, where young programmers, software developers, visual designers, and others team up for projects during a 36-hour competition.

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VISIT MTSU

There's no better way to learn about MTSU and what it's really like to be an MTSU student than to visit campus and see it for yourself. Explore tour opportunities at mtsu.edu/visit, then come see us in the 'Boro.

Preview Days

Tour campus and housing, talk to reps from academic colleges, find up-to-date info on admission and financial aid, and get a taste of the True Blue spirit at our half-day grand open-house events. Register at mtsu.edu/rsvp.

Saturday, September 13, 2025

Saturday, November 1, 2025

Saturday, March 28, 2026

Guided Tours

Take a guided walking tour of campus weekdays during the academic year and on select Saturdays. Reserve your spot at mtsu.edu/tours.

Self-Guided Tours

Park at the Student Services and Admissions Center, 1860 Blue Raider Drive. (Get a parking pass from the information desk inside.)

Follow the tour routes with the map and directions on the following pages.

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MTSU VISITS YOU!

There's nothing we like better than to bring MTSU to your own backyard through our True Blue Tour.

Admissions staff, department representatives, advisors, deans, administrators, and student leaders in your hometown share MTSU with prospective students and their families. Get information and ask questions about admissions, scholarships, financial aid, academic programs, and more.

Find dates and register at mtsu.edu/rsvp.

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CHOOSE BLUE

Whether you're making the jump from high school, transferring from another institution, or following the lure of one of MTSU's nationally renowned, signature programs, you could become one of the newest Blue Raiders.

MTSU has the resources of a large public university, but it feels like a small school. Faculty members are deeply interested in student success, and it shows in the personal attention they give. MTSU attracts more transfer students than any other university in the state and is a top choice for adult learners. Many alumni return to MTSU for graduate school.

Our best advice? Apply early. You can gather your application materials and ask any questions without deadlines looming. And the sooner you're admitted, the sooner you can apply for housing and additional scholarships.



Everything you need is online. Scan the QR code to get started.

Checklist: Dates and Deadlines

- August 1:** MTSU application available for Fall 2026
- December 1:** Guaranteed freshman scholarship deadline
- Sign up for housing** at mtsu.edu/housing. Apply as soon as possible: Housing assignments are made on a first-come, first-served basis. (Application dates are available within the Important Dates section of the housing webpage.)
- FAFSA:** Complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid as soon as possible at fafsa.gov. FAFSA priority deadline is March 1.
- February 15:** Deadline for most MTSU foundation and departmental scholarships
- March 1:** Guaranteed transfer scholarship deadline
- March:** Sign up for New to Blue Orientation. Dates and registration information can be found at mtsu.edu/orientation.
- May 1:** Scholarship acceptance deadline



"Going to college debt-free has always been a goal of mine, so I was incredibly swayed by the amazing scholarships that MTSU offers its students."

Maddy Williams ('24)



"I love MTSU because of the moments of connection you find with one another. I've connected with so many of my peers and professors."

Aubrey Zurhellen ('23)



"I think that we have an awesome and amazing campus: I'm so MTSU. And, I know we have administrators and faculty who feel the same way."

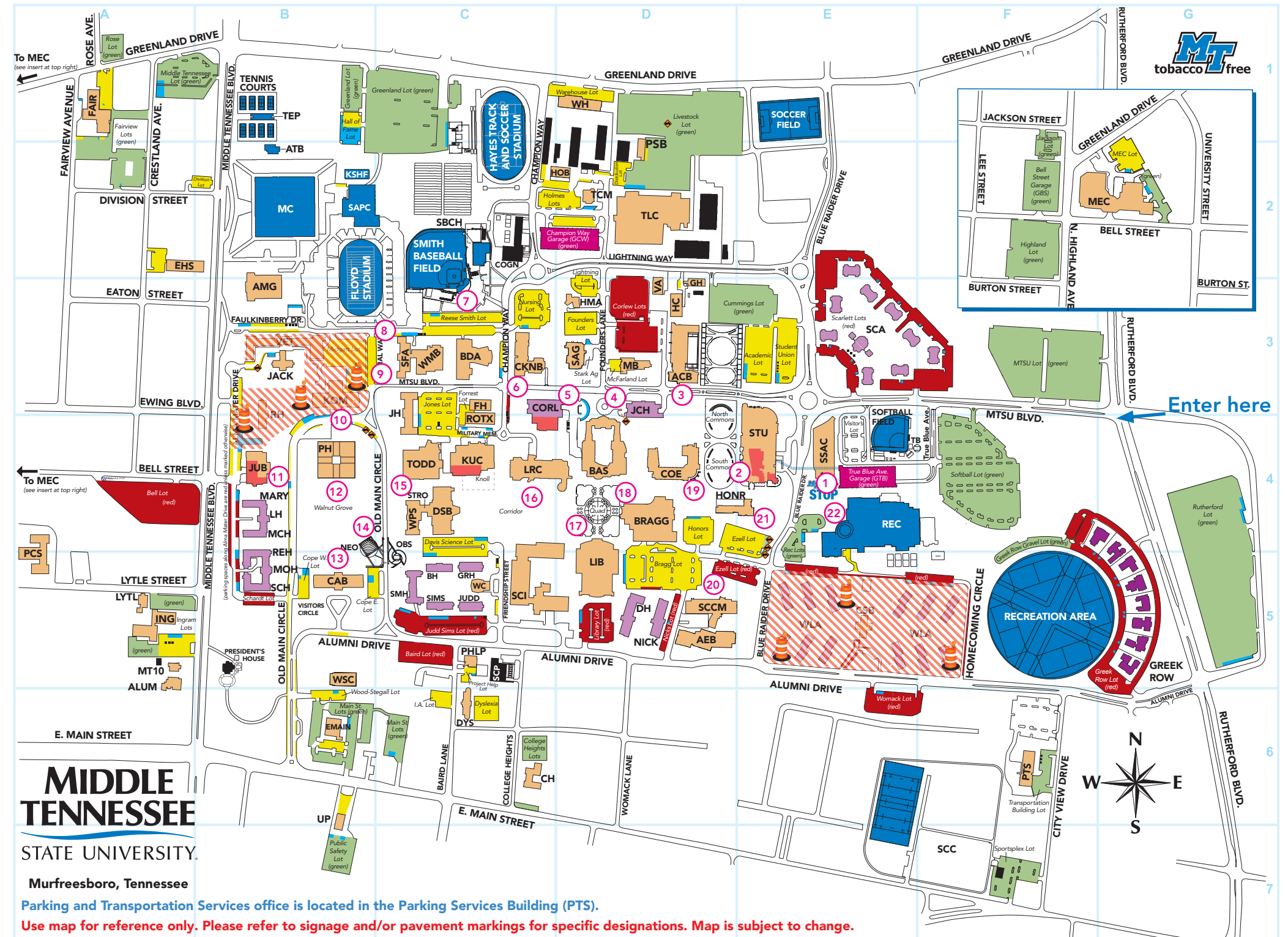
Michai Mosby ('25),
 two-time SGA president

MTSU CAMPUS MAP AND TOUR



Take the self-guided walking tour on the next page.

ACB	Academic Classroom Building, 1751 MTSU Boulevard, D3	MCH	McHenry Hall, 414 Alma Mater Drive, B4
AEB	Applied Engineering Building, 1739 Alumni Drive, D5	MEC	Andrew Woodfin Miller, Sr. Education Center, 503 Bell Street, (See inset at top right)
ALUM	Alumni House, 2259 Middle Tennessee Boulevard, A5	MOH	Monohan Hall, 312 Alma Mater Drive, B5
AMG	Alumni Memorial Gym, 2610 Middle Tennessee Boulevard, B3	MT10	2263 Middle Tennessee Boulevard (Internal Audit), A5
ATB	Allen Tennis Building, 1210 Greenland Drive, B2	NEO	Naked Eye Observatory, 346 Old Main Circle, B4
BAS	Business and Aerospace Building, 1642 MTSU Boulevard, D4	NICK	Nicks Hall, 1715 Alumni Drive, D5
BDA	Boutwell Dramatic Arts Building, 615A-615B Champion Way, C3	OBS	Observatory, 346 Old Main Circle, C5
BH	Beasley Hall, 323 Friendship Street, C5	PCS	Homer Pittard Campus School, 923 East Lytle Street, A4
BRAGG	John Bragg Media and Entertainment Building, 1735 Blue Raider Drive, D4	PH	Peck Hall, 537 Old Main Circle, B4
CAB	Cope Administration Building, 315 Visitor's Circle, B5	PHLP	Project Help, 206 North Baird Lane, C5
CH	College Heights Building, 1607 East Main Street, C6	PSB	Printing Services Building, 1756 Greenland Drive, D2
CKNB	Cason-Kennedy Nursing Building, 610 Champion Way, C3	PTS	Parking and Transportation Services, 205 City View Drive, F6
COE	College of Education Building, 1756 MTSU Boulevard, D4	REC	Health, Wellness, and Recreation Center (Health Services located inside the HWR), 1848 Blue Raider Drive, E4
COGN	Central Utility Plant/Cogeneration Plant, 729 Champion Way, C2	REH	Reynolds Hall, 312 Alma Mater Drive, B5
CORL	Corlew Hall, 1634 MTSU Boulevard, C3	RH	Rutledge Hall, 526 Alma Mater Drive, B3
CSB	Central Services Building, 1835 Alumni Drive, E5	ROTX	ROTC Annex, 531 Champion Way, C4
DH	Deere Hall, 1619 Alumni Drive, D5	SAG	Stark Agriculture Center, 651 Founders Lane, D3
DSB	Davis Science Building, 422 Old Main Circle, C4	SAPC	Student-Athlete Performance Center, 1332 Greenland Drive, B2
DYS	Tennessee Center for the Study and Treatment of Dyslexia, 200 North Baird Lane, C6	SBCH	Stephen B. Smith Baseball Clubhouse, 641 Champion Way, C2
EHS	Ellington Human Sciences Building, 2623 Middle Tennessee Boulevard, A2	SCA	Scarlett Commons Apartments 1-9, 1858 MTSU Boulevard, E3
EMAIN	1403 East Main Street, B6	SCC	Sports Club Complex, 2111 East Main Street, F7
FAIR	Fairview Building, 820 Fairview Avenue, A1	SCCM	School of Concrete and Construction Management, 1723 Blue Raider Drive, D5
FH	Forrest Hall, 543 Champion Way, C3	SCH	Schardt Hall, 312 Alma Mater Drive, B5
GH	Greenhouse, 1724 Lightning Way, D3	SCI	Science Building, 440 Friendship Street, C5
GRH	Gracy Hall, 321 Friendship Street, C5	SCP	Satellite Chiller Plant, 215 College Heights, C5
HC	Horticulture Facility, 1714 Lightning Way, D3	SFA	Saunders Fine Arts Building, 629 Normal Way, C3
HMA	Housing Maintenance Annex, 657 Founders Lane, D3	SIMS	Sims Hall, 215 Friendship Street, C5
HOB	Holmes Building (Maintenance Complex), 836 Champion Way, D2	SMH	Smith Hall, 318 Old Main Circle, C5
HONR	Paul W. Martin Sr. Honors Building, 1737 Blue Raider Drive, D4	SSAC	Student Services and Admissions Center, 1860 Blue Raider Drive, E4
ING	Sam H. Ingram Building, 2269 Middle Tennessee Boulevard, A5	STRO	Strobel Lobby, C4
JACK	Tom H. Jackson Building, 628 Alma Mater Drive, B3	STU	Student Union Building, 1768 MTSU Boulevard, E4
JCH	Jim Cummings Hall, 1744 MTSU Boulevard, D3	TB	Telescope Building, 1852 MTSU Boulevard, F4
JH	Jones Hall, 624 Old Main Circle, C3	TEP	Tennis Elevated Platform, B1
JUB	James Union Building, 516 Alma Mater Drive, B4	TCM	Telecommunications Building, 732 Champion Way, D2
JUDD	Judd Hall, 217 Friendship Street, C5	TLC	Tennessee Livestock Center, 1720 Greenland Drive, D2
KOM	Kirksey Old Main, 612 Old Main Circle, B3	TODD	Andrew L. Todd Hall, 542 Old Main Circle, C4
KSHF	Emmett and Rose Kennon Sports Hall of Fame, 1320 Greenland Drive, B2	UP	University Police, 1412 East Main Street, B6
KUC	Keathley University Center, 1524 Military Memorial, C4	VA	Vocational Agriculture, 1704 Lightning Way, D3
LH	Lyon Hall, 414 Alma Mater Drive, B4	VET	Voorhies Engineering Technology, 1212 Faulkinberry Drive, B3
LIB	James E. Walker Library, 1611 Alumni Drive, D5	WC	Woodmore (featuring Chris Young Café), 319 Friendship Street, C5
LRC	Ned McWherter Learning Resources Center, 1558 Military Memorial, C4	WH	Warehouse (Maintenance Complex), 1672 Greenland Drive, D1
LYTL	Lytle House, 1114 East Lytle Street, A5	WLA	Womack Lane Apartments A-L, 1815 Alumni Drive, E5
MARY	Miss Mary Hall, 414 Alma Mater Drive, B4	WMB	Wright Music Building, 1439 Faulkinberry Drive, C3
MB	McFarland Building, 654 Founders Lane, D3	WPS	Wiser-Patten Science Hall, 422 Old Main Circle, C4
MC	Murphy Center, 2650 Middle Tennessee Boulevard, B2	WSC	Wood-Stegall Center (Development and University Advancement), 120 Old Main Circle, B5



Color code for parking designation

	Faculty, Staff, Administration (white permit)		Red Permit Parking (MTSU Housing residents only)
	Green Permit Parking		Open to currently enrolled students. A green, red, or handicap pass is required
	Disabled Parking (blue permit)		

	Motorcycle parking area
	Skywalk bridges
	Construction Zones Seek Alternate Routes

Color code for buildings/sports areas

	Residence Halls		Athletics/Recreation
	Academic/Administrative		Greek Housing
	Dining		Located in SSAC (see grid area E4)

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SELF-GUIDED WALKING TOUR

Get acquainted with our beautiful campus by taking this self-guided tour. This list of highlights, along with the map on the previous pages and signs installed at each numbered stop, will take you on a 1.7-mile path through the core of our 515-acre campus. Feel free to vary from the route and explore. If you get a little lost, don't be surprised if a student or professor stops to offer help—we're friendly that way.

Student Services and Admissions Center

The **Student Services and Admissions Center** ① houses Admissions, Records and Scheduling, Business, Financial Aid, and MT One Stop. This 58,000-square-foot facility has a skybridge that connects the SSAC and adjacent parking garage to the Student Union. Prospective students may meet with admissions counselors while on campus 8 a.m.–4:30 p.m. Monday–Friday to check on their applications. Current and newly admitted students can talk to an enrollment counselor at MT One Stop for information about financial aid, scholarships, records and scheduling, bills, transcripts, holds, and more.

Student Involvement on Campus Building

On the first floor of the **Student Union Building** ②, you can find the campus bookstore, a game room, the Farmers Market dining hall, and several other dining options. The second floor features a ballroom, conference rooms, study rooms, a theater, and the Level Up Arena for esports. The Center for Student Involvement and Leadership, Student Programming, and Student Government Association offices are on the third floor. MTSU has more than 250 student organizations.

Outside is the **Student Union Commons**, a space for events such as outdoor movies and picnics or just hanging out with friends.

Walk west along MTSU Boulevard.

Behavioral and Health Sciences

The College of Behavioral and Health Sciences **Academic Classroom Building** ③ for Criminal Justice, Psychology, and Social Work opened in 2020. The 91,200-square-foot building features EEG, eye tracker, and whisper rooms for research, as well as a simulation center for emergency and security operations. Just past the ACB is the **McFarland Building**, where Photography students develop their skills with old and new techniques.

Business and Aerospace

The **Business and Aerospace Building** ④ contains the Jones College of Business, the Department of Aerospace (including its

Unmanned Aircraft Systems lab), and the largest computer lab on campus. Aerospace also has extended facilities at the airports in Murfreesboro and Shelbyville, with an array of aircraft and equipment for flight training and maintenance training.

Flanking Business and Aerospace are **Cummings Hall** and **Corlew Hall** ⑤, our residence halls exclusively for first-year students. A food court, The Middle @ Corlew, includes Chick-fil-A and other favorites.

Nursing and Agriculture

Across the street is **Cason-Kennedy Nursing Building** ⑥, which has state-of-the-art classrooms, two large computer labs, seven nursing skills training labs, an obstetrics lab, a pediatric lab, an IV skill-specific lab, and a high-fidelity simulation lab.

East of Cason-Kennedy is the **Stark Agriculture Center**, which houses such programs as Agribusiness, Animal Science, Fermentation Science, Horse Science, and Plant and Soil Science. Off campus, the School of Agriculture has a horse science center, farm laboratories, and a dairy.

Walk north on Champion Way.

Theatre and Dance

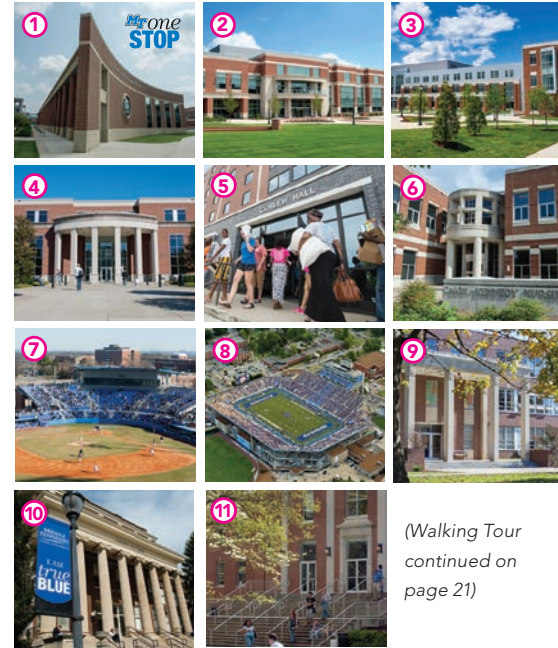
Tucker Theatre, part of **Boutwell Dramatic Arts Building**, is on your left as you walk toward the athletic fields. Tucker hosts many music, dance, theatrical, and television productions each year. Boutwell houses the Theatre and Dance programs and World Languages, Literatures, and Cultures.

Blue Raider Athletics

MTSU belongs to Conference USA and has 17 Division I teams. **Reese Smith Jr. Field** ⑦ is home to Blue Raider baseball. **Dean A. Hayes Track and Soccer Stadium** is at the corner of Greenland Drive and Champion Way.

Walk west on Faulkinberry Drive.

Johnny "Red" Floyd Stadium ⑧ is home to Blue Raider football. Beyond the football stadium is **Murphy Center**, or "The Glass House," the home of our men's and women's basketball teams. (You'll have to walk farther along Faulkinberry to get a look.) **Alumni Memorial Gym** is where the women's volleyball



(Walking Tour continued on page 21)

team plays. The **softball stadium** is across campus next to the Rec Center and SSAC.

Walk south on Normal Way.

Music and Communication

The buildings in the block to your left are dedicated to the fine arts. **Saunders Fine Arts** ⑨ and the **Wright Music Building** house the School of Music. You don't have to be a music major to join MTSU's Band of Blue—the marching band boasts over 250 members! Many concerts and other performances take place in Hinton Music Hall in Wright Music Building.

Jones Hall, in the next block, is home to Communication Studies, International Affairs, and the Office of Education Abroad.

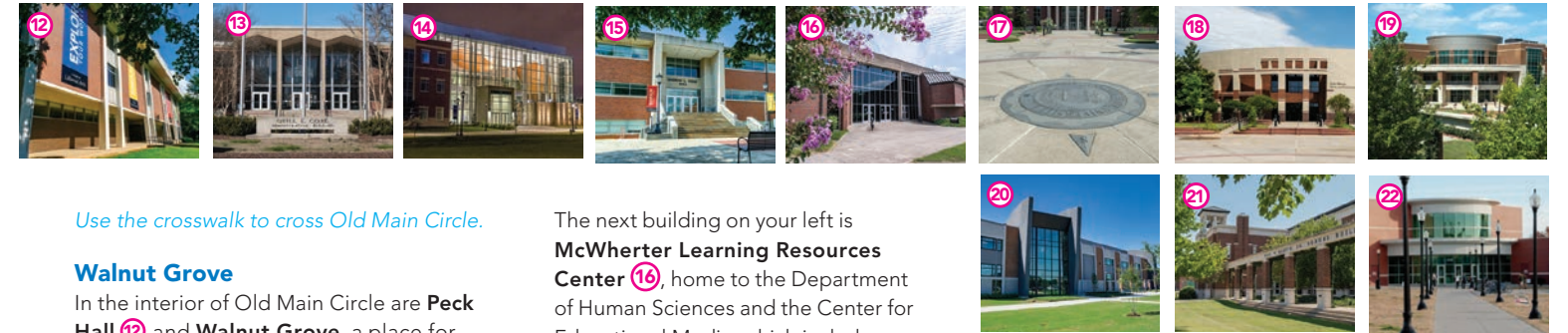
Continue south, veering right onto Old Main Circle.

Original Buildings at MTSU

You are now standing where everything began at MTSU in 1911. In the beginning, **Kirksey Old Main** ⑩ was the classroom building, Rutledge Hall was the women's dormitory, and the Tom H. Jackson Building was the original dining hall. KOM is under renovation and will reopen in summer 2026, housing the Computer Science, Data Science, and Mathematical Sciences departments. Rutledge Hall is transforming into an academic building to house University Studies.

Around the curve, you'll see **James Union Building** ⑪, which has the Raider Zone Grill, the Tennessee Ballroom, and several offices.

MTSU SELF-GUIDED WALKING TOUR (Continued from page 18)



Use the crosswalk to cross Old Main Circle.

Walnut Grove

In the interior of Old Main Circle are **Peck Hall** ⑫ and **Walnut Grove**, a place for tailgating before football games. The walnut trees were grown from nuts brought from George Washington's Mount Vernon home in Virginia. The **Blue Horseshoe** in Walnut Grove is a symbol of luck. A penny from 1911, the year the institution was founded, is buried beneath it. Before home games, the football team greets fans lining Raider Walk next to Peck Hall. Peck Hall has many nicknames, such as the "freshman maze" and "Bermuda Square," due to the layout of the building's interior.

Cope Administration Building ⑬, at the other end of Walnut Grove, houses offices for the University president, provost, and others.

Science Corridor of Innovation

The **Science Corridor of Innovation** ⑭ includes the recently renovated **Wiser-Patten Science Hall** and **Davis Science Building** as well as our state-of-the-art **Science Building**. With more than 250,000 square feet of classrooms, research laboratories, faculty offices, and collaborative learning spaces for biology, chemistry, and other science courses, the Science Building is the biggest improvement ever for science education and research at MTSU. Davis and Wiser-Patten house offices for Geosciences, Physics, Astronomy, and Forensic Science.

Head east on the sidewalk after you pass Wiser-Patten.

The Knoll

Todd Hall ⑮ houses the Art and Design and the Sociology and Anthropology departments. The building has dedicated areas for various visual arts disciplines, a student gallery, Todd Art Gallery, and the Albert Gore Research Center, which curates the University archives.

Next door is **Keathley University Center**, which contains various campus offices, including the Disability and Access Center, Housing, and New to Blue Orientation; the post office; McCallie Dining Hall; and the Charlie and Hazel Daniels Veterans and Military Family Center. MTSU's Army ROTC (Military Science) program is located in buildings just north of the KUC. The grassy area south of Keathley is known as the KUC Knoll.

The next building on your left is **McWherter Learning Resources Center** ⑯, home to the Department of Human Sciences and the Center for Educational Media, which includes our own True Blue TV station.

From this vantage point, you have a great view of the Science Building to the south. To the right of the **Science Building**, you can see the colorful "Famous Friends" mural on the side of the **Chris Young Café**, a performance venue and production lab named in honor of the entertainer's continued support of his alma mater.

Library and the Quad

The **Quad** ⑰ in front of **James E. Walker Library** is a place for students to study and socialize. (A popular superstition is that walking across the MTSU seal means you'll need more than four years to graduate.)

Walker Library, named after the University's eighth president, contains more than 600,000 books and periodicals and provides access to over 500 databases. The University Writing Center assists students in writing and editing papers. In the Makerspace, students from all disciplines can access computer-aided design technology and fabrication equipment to find innovative ways of bringing their ideas to life.

Media and Entertainment

The College of Media and Entertainment is one of the largest of its kind in the country. The **John Bragg Media and Entertainment Building** ⑱ includes offices for *Sidelines*, the student-run news outlet; WMTS-FM, a student-run radio station; Match Records, a student-run record label; MT10, a student-operated cable television station; and WMOT-FM, a 100,000-watt public radio station.

If you venture to the south side of the building, you may see the Mobile Production Lab, aka "The Truck," if it is not away covering an event. The high-definition video production lab is professional grade and one of the most advanced mobile production labs independently operated by a university.

Continue east on the sidewalk.

Education

The **College of Education Building** ⑲ is home to Early Childhood Education, Elementary Education, Middle Level

Education, and Special Education. The COE prepares future teachers and school leaders, as well as librarians and counselors.

Concrete and Construction Management and Engineering

Head south to see the home of the **School of Concrete and Construction Management** ⑳, an addition to the Science Corridor of Innovation. This 54,000-square-foot structure showcases building materials throughout to be a living, learning example of what the students in Concrete Industry Management and Construction Management will be doing for their careers. SCCM shares a working courtyard with the **Applied Engineering Building**, the newest academic building at MTSU.

Honors Building

As you return to the Student Union Commons, you'll arrive at the **Paul W. Martin Sr. Honors Building** ㉑, with its stately bell tower. In the Martin Building, students study, work on Honors publications, enjoy a free cup of coffee or newspaper, or just relax by the fireplace in the common area. Honors courses are capped at 15–20 students. When an Honors thesis or creative project is completed, bells peal to announce the achievement. The Honors College offers Buchanan Fellowships, the highest award given to entering freshmen, as well as Buchanan Transfer Fellowships.

Continue east across Blue Raider Drive.

Rec Center

The **Health, Wellness, and Recreation Center** ㉒ contains six racquetball courts, six basketball courts, an indoor track, cardio and weight rooms, two aerobic rooms, indoor and outdoor pools, a rock-climbing wall, an outdoor ropes course, and an indoor soccer facility. Activities are offered almost year-round: aquatics, fitness, intramurals, sport clubs, adaptive recreation, and outdoor adventures. Health Services, also in the building, provides medical care for students and has a full-service pharmacy.



YOUR TRUE BLUE HOME

Much of what people call “college life” could just as easily be called “campus life.” Students living in MTSU’s residence halls, apartment buildings, and houses live just minutes from classes and extracurricular activities.

On-campus living options include traditional halls with shared community baths, exterior-entry buildings with quad baths, and apartments (four-person shared/private bedroom). Note: First-year students may apply to live in an on-campus apartment, but apartment living is primarily for upper-class and returning residents.

Staff members at reception desks provide information and security assistance from 8 a.m. to midnight; that transitions to an on-call system with a unified desk in the Scarlett Commons clubhouse from midnight to 8 a.m.

Lounges and lobbies are designed for conversation, studying, and recreation. All residence hall rooms and apartments are air-conditioned and include utilities and free laundry. With wireless and Ethernet internet access, you’re as connected to the world as you want to be.

On-campus options include these living-learning communities:

- Chemistry and Biology
- Crime Busters
- Difference Makers (Education)
- Diverse World, Diverse Arts
- First-Year Experience
- Give Me a Beat
- Global Learning
- Hacker Housing
- Honors
- Marc Barr’s Animation Zone
- Music at Middle
- Nursing
- Pre-Professional Health Sciences
- Raider Rec Village
- Women in STEM

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DINING ON CAMPUS

You’ll find a variety of options for daily meals and snacks on campus. First-year students living on campus can use their unlimited meal plan at dining halls and either Meal Equivalency per dining time period or Flex Bucks at other locations.

ALL-YOU-CAN-EAT

Keathley University Center

- McCallie Dining Hall

Student Union Building

- Farmers Market

FOOD COURTS

The Middle at Corlew

- Chick-fil-A
- Subway
- Twisted Taco

Student Union Building

- Bento Sushi
- Blenz Bowls
- Just Love Coffee
- Nashville Chicken & Waffles
- Panda Express

OTHER OPTIONS

James Union Building

- Raider Zone Dining Hall

Walker Library

- Starbucks

KUC

- Brewed Awakenings

P.O.D. Express Markets

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- Peck Hall
- Student Union

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- The **Master of Business Administration**, MTSU's most popular graduate program, may be customized and can be completed online or on campus in only 12 months. The M.B.A. now has nine concentrations available:

- ◆ Concrete Industry Management
- ◆ Data Analytics
- ◆ Health Care Management
- ◆ Human Resource Management
- ◆ IT Project Management
- ◆ Legal and Ethical Governance
- ◆ Music Business
- ◆ Risk Management
- ◆ Strategic Marketing Analytics

- *U.S. News and World Report* put MTSU on its list of Best Grad Schools for Economics in 2024. The department offers an **M.A. and a Ph.D. in Economics** and an **M.S. in Finance**.

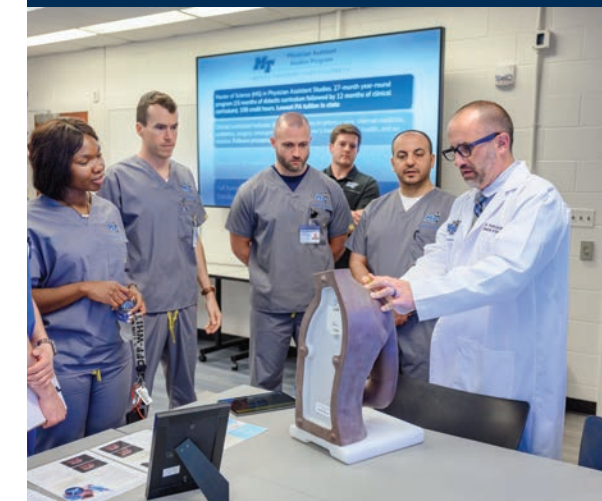
- MTSU's **Industrial-Organizational Psychology** master's program has been ranked No. 1 nationally by the Society for Industrial and Organizational Psychology, the premier professional organization in the field. The Center for Organizational and Human Resource Effectiveness (COHRE), an independent consulting unit at MTSU, offers students a real-world opportunity to work with industry clients like Nissan and Cracker Barrel.

WORKFORCE DEMANDS

MTSU continues to expand graduate school programs to address industry and community needs. Some recent additions:

- Biomedical Sciences M.S.
- Cybersecurity Management M.S.
- Digital Media M.S.
- Legal Studies M.S.
- Physician Assistant Studies M.S.
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BLUE GRIT

Get in on the action and camaraderie of MTSU sports. You don't need to be an athlete—be a fan!

MTSU is part of Conference USA and competes against universities across the country. When the Blue Raiders are at home, it's fan time.

Wear your blue. Cheer enthusiastically. And have fun!

Many sports offer free admission, and students get free tickets to regular season events with their BlueIDs.

At basketball and football games, the Blue Zoo student section and MTSU bands turn up the volume. (For football, the fan experience starts hours before kickoff, with tailgating, live music, the Raider Walk, and more in Walnut Grove.)

Don't be surprised to hear "Vamos!" and "Allez!" at some events. International athletes are common in several college sports—tennis and soccer, for example—and fans embrace multilingual cheers.

Let's go, Blue! *Allez, Bleu!*



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LET'S HEAR IT!

- Several Blue Raider alumni play in the NFL, including Super Bowl 2025 winner Reed Blankenship (Philadelphia Eagles), three-time Super Bowl starter Charvarius Ward (Indianapolis Colts), and former Titans favorite Kevin Byard (Chicago Bears).
- MTSU track and field standout John Sherman and alumni Leonie Beu ('24) and Alaba Akintola ('23) competed in the 2024 Paris Olympics.
- Men's tennis keeps dominating Conference USA with six straight championships.

Men's Sports
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Women's Sports
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TRUE BLUE TRADITIONS

On a campus that's always growing and changing, there is True Blue pride in everything we do. We are united by MTSU traditions, and we're excited about the future. Here are a few of the traditions that make MTSU special.

- The Blue Horseshoe in Walnut Grove has a penny from 1911 (the year the University was founded) buried beneath it. Alumni, students, and fans are encouraged to touch the horseshoe for good luck before events like a big game, a performance, or even a test.
- An annual President's Party for new students and their families is part of a busy opening weekend in the fall, which also includes students' reciting the True Blue Pledge and a guest speaker at Convocation.
- MTSU's Walnut Grove, the traditional pre-game gathering spot for students, alumni, and fans of Blue Raider football, is even louder and prouder with the addition of Party in the Grove. Featuring live music, food trucks, and other activities, each event ends with a "Follow Me to Floyd" parade of students to the stadium.
- The bells in the tower of Paul W. Martin Sr. Honors Building ring every time a student completes an Honors thesis or creative project.
- Some other annual extracurricular, volunteer, and academic activities and traditions of note:
 - ♦ Move-In Movie outdoors
 - ♦ Fight Song competition
 - ♦ Crash the Commons carnival
 - ♦ Blue Zoo Bash
 - ♦ Freshman Walk
 - ♦ Blackout game
 - ♦ Scholars Week
 - ♦ Big Event one-day service project
 - ♦ Alternative Fall/Spring Breaks
 - ♦ Make-a-Difference Day



★ ACTIVE DUTY

MTSU has a long tradition of aiding veterans in their transition from military to civilian life.

Celebrating its 10-year anniversary in 2025, the Charlie and Hazel Daniels Veterans and Military Family Center was a big step in MTSU's becoming one of the most military-friendly universities in America.

Already the most comprehensive center of its kind at a Tennessee university, the 3,200-square-foot Daniels Center is in the midst of another expansion. The center provides one-stop service and support for the more than 1,100 student veterans and their family members—as well as for members of the U.S. military community around the world.



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PARENT AND FAMILY ASSOCIATION

Parents are kept informed and involved. The MTSU Parent and Family Association (mtsu.edu/parents) sponsors Family Weekend, distributes six eNewsletters annually, hosts a Facebook group, and networks with MTSU parents and families. Best of all, the Parent and Family Association is a low-pressure organization that lets you stay involved in your student's life without compromising independence.

ORIENTATION

New to Blue, an orientation for freshmen and transfer students, helps students get off on the right foot. New to Blue Orientation provides important information to students and their

families about advising, registration, and academic opportunities. (mtsu.edu/orientation)

SAFE AND SOUND

The University Police Department protects the campus with 24-hour police patrols, emergency dispatch, and campus escorts. Alert4U sends texts and emails during severe weather and other emergencies.

MTSU Police officers are on duty 24 hours a day, seven days a week. All 911 calls from campus phones are routed to MTSU's dispatch. (Note: 911 calls from cellphones are answered by Murfreesboro City Dispatch.)

MTSU was recently ranked among the **Top 50 safest large universities in the nation** by collegechoice.net.

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