

THE STUDENT CENTER

A Place to Relax. A Hub of Activity.



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WELCOME

If the J. Eugene Smith Library is the hub of scholarly activity on the Eastern Connecticut State University campus, then Eastern's new Student Center is sure to become the focal point for campus life. Students will find a host of reasons to visit and enjoy the center — hanging out with their friends; eating a meal; using the bookstore; attending a social, cultural or educational event; or serving as a leader or member of a student organization.

Expanded from 41,000 to 72,000 net square feet, the Student Center brings all student clubs and organizations; the Student Government Association; the Intercultural Center; the Women's Center; the Campus Activity Board; and the Student Activities Office under one roof. As all student-centered functions find improved ways to collaborate and support students, a new campus culture is emerging, one that can only enrich the liberal arts experience at Eastern.

A GRAND ENTRANCE

The front entrance to the Student Center is surrounded by outdoor seating and a permanent seating wall. A majestic tower adorned with four Charter Oak trees leads into the lobby area and center "Main Street" lined with giant columns, leading to a grand staircase to the lower level. Vibrant colors; terrazzo, marble, stone, wood laminate flooring; and beautiful carpeting create a festive yet dignified atmosphere.

UPPER LEVEL

The **Atrium Lobby** is a great place to sit and watch large screen TVs, take in an entertainer on the performance stage, grab a bite to eat, or hang out between classes. Seating includes couches in lounges and tables and chairs for dining.

The **Bookstore**, almost double in size from the previous store, is operated by Barnes & Noble, and has the feel of a store you would find in a mall. From textbooks to best sellers, supplies to snacks, school shirts, and greeting cards, the bookstore has all you need.

The **Food Court** is operated by Sodexho Corporation and features healthy food options along with traditional fare. From individually prepared meals to a "grab and go" section for when you are in a hurry to get to class or a meeting, you have a variety of options to make eating an adventure each time you stop by.

Located in the center of the building, the **Information Desk** is staffed with trained student employees ready to assist you.

The **Café** is a place where you can play pool, sit and watch TV, catch an acoustical performance, surf the Internet, hang out with friends in front of the fireplace, or attend a reception. The company is special, the view is spectacular; no doubt we'll see you there!

The 150-seat **Theatre**, complete with high definition video and surround sound audio, will serve as a movie theatre, lecture hall, and performance and presentation facility. Plan to visit the theatre often to enjoy everything from student theatrical performances to movies and comedy series.





WIRED OR WIRELESS. YOUR PICK.

The entire building accommodates wireless computer networking, including the outside front patio, as well as all seating areas. The center is also hard wired in most common areas if you need to plug in. Featuring cutting-edge audio and video technology, this facility has everything students will need to support their events and activities.



DROP IN. COME BACK OFTEN.

The new Student Center is a welcoming, warm place that has been designed to serve students and other members of the Eastern Connecticut State University campus community. The public is also welcome to visit this modern facility. It's relaxing. It's exciting. It's entertaining. It's informative. It's a place to drop in, it's a place to do business, especially if you are a member of a student organization. So come on by, stop back often, and enjoy the center of Eastern campus life.





The new and improved **Betty R. Tipton Room** seats 400 and comes equipped with a video/data projection system and multimedia presentation podium. Serving as the Center's ballroom, it can be used for a variety of events, including banquets, receptions, speakers, performances, conferences, and award ceremonies.

The four **Meeting Rooms** on this level are all equipped with high-end video and data projection systems. They will be used by students and other members of the University community for meetings, conferences, and events.

LOWER LEVEL

The **Fitness Center** is a 4,000-square-foot facility with more than 60 pieces of exercise equipment. The facility has a wireless audio/video system that will allow you to bring in your own head set, plug it into the machine you are exercising on, and listen to music or watch one of several flat screen televisions in the room.

The **Dr. Arthur L. Johnson Unity Wing** is named after the late Dr. Arthur Johnson, professor of sociology, in the spirit he fostered on campus. It unites student organizations and University offices so that they can deliver educational and cultural opportunities on campus while promoting collaboration among diverse populations.

The **Campus Activity Board** also will be located on the lower level. This student workforce is skilled in project management and event planning, and is tasked with planning and implementing the many student events and activities that will occur in the building and across campus.

The **Student Government Association** and its subcommittees will be right in the middle of the action, working to fund and organize Eastern's student organizations.

More than 60 **Student Organizations** will be working together in their own office suite, sharing work space while having their own storage space. The *Campus Lantern* newspaper and *Sustinet* yearbook also will have offices in the suite.

The **Women's Center** and **Intercultural Center** are housed in the Student Center for the first time so that student organizations can work side-by-side to plan and implement programs and activities that enhance Eastern students' liberal arts experience.

The four **Meeting Rooms** located on this level will be used by student organizations for meetings, conferences, and related activities.

