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1941 view of the campus

Early 1970s view of the campus
UNMC Campus Stats

UNMC & Nebraska Medicine
Midtown Omaha Campus

9,246,330 total sq. ft.

125 Buildings
UNMC Campus Map Summer 2021
Ruth & Bill Scott Student Plaza

- Dedicated in September 2011.
- The Scotts provided multiple lead gifts for several new buildings on the UNMC campus (medicine, nursing, public health and the recently opened UNMC Center for Drug Discovery/Lozier Center for Pharmacy Sciences and Education.)
- The Scotts always name the buildings after others so it was decided that the student plaza should be named after the Scotts to honor their generosity.
- Located within an area from 42nd St to 38th Ave and from Dewey Ave to Jones St.
- In addition to the light tower, the plaza is home to 6 other art pieces, more than 100 trees, 350 shrubs, and over 4,000 perennial plants.

Harold M. and Beverly Maurer Center for Public Health

- Funding was provided with a major donation from Ruth and Bill Scott of Omaha
- Cost: $16.5 million
- Located on the east side of the Ruth & Bill Scott Student Plaza in a space that was formerly a UNMC parking lot.
- A 52,500-square-foot, three-level facility that provides a home for UNMC’s newest college: the College of Public Health which was established in 2007.
- Completed in April 2010
UNMC Student Life Center and Center for Healthy Living

- Opened in 1996 as a place to house all the student services and other departments who were being moved out of Conkling Hall.
- UNMC Bookstore is located here.
- Included a fitness center with remodeling of the existing three-story fitness center and a two-story addition featuring a gymnasium, exercise track, weight and fitness machine room, racquetball court, aerobics exercise area and locker rooms.
- A $6 million redevelopment and expansion project was completed in the fall of 2016. The renovation included:
  - A new 6,525-square-foot addition to the Student Life Center building that relocates the entry of the Center for Healthy Living from the south side of the building to the north side, facing the Ruth and Bill Scott Student Plaza.
  - Renovating 11,845 square feet on two floors in the existing facility to provide larger strength and fitness machine areas; additional dedicated group fitness activity areas; permanent areas for stretching and table tennis, which is popular with international students; and larger locker rooms with private changing areas and showers.
  - Replacing the gymnasium’s synthetic floor with a wood sports floor for user comfort and safety.
  - Installing outside bicycle lockers for UNMC personnel who want to securely store their bicycles.
- The weight and fitness machine area was named the Thomas M. Heiser, M.D., Strength and Fitness Facility in honor of Dr. Heiser, a former University of Nebraska football player who graduated from UNMC and practiced orthopedic surgery in Lincoln. Dr. Heiser suffered a paralyzing injury while surfing in 1990.
UNMC Center for Drug Discovery/Lozier Center for Pharmacy Sciences and Education
Construction began February 2014, completed in the spring of 2016.

- Home to: UNMC College of Pharmacy
- Located east of the Michael F. Sorrell Center for Health Science Education near 41st and Emile streets
- Cost $35 million in private donations with no state funds used
- 85,000 square feet
- Faculty and staff moved in during May 2016 with the official grand opening held on August 23, 2016 during the 100th year anniversary of the founding of the UNMC College of Pharmacy. The first class of students entered in the fall of 2016.
- Education: Will completely replace and expand the now outdated education space of the current College of Pharmacy; equipped with advanced technology needed in the 21st century; emphasis on the increased role of pharmacists in providing primary care
- Research: Laboratory and research space for drug discovery and development, drug delivery and clinical and translational research; emphasis on infectious diseases

“Hope” Light Tower illuminated at night
- Artist: James Carpenter
- Installed late 2010
- The tower is 120 ft. tall; took 1 year to construct, and was built in four segments each 30 ft. tall
- Paid for entirely with private donations
- Artist’s inspiration: “What we tried to do is reflect the quality of the atmosphere, meaning the beautiful effects that occur in the Nebraska sky. In many places in Nebraska, the clouds and sky seem to merge with the ground and we wanted to capture that effect with the piece. The piece will reflect the quality of the sky, so if it’s a bright sunny day, it will appear to shimmer. At dusk, it will reflect the variety of colors that are in the sky.”
- The campus held a naming competition. The winning name was suggested by (now former) Physician Assistant faculty member Darwin Brown.
Home Instead Center for Successful Aging
Opened Spring 2010

- Funding was provided with a major gift by Omaha natives Paul and Lori Hogan, co-founders of Home Instead Senior Care, the largest provider of non-medical home care to seniors in the world.
- Cost nearly $10.2 million (funded entirely with private donations).
- Located at the intersection of Leavenworth Street and 38th Avenue.
- The three-level, 25,300 square-foot center
  - reunites the sections of geriatric medicine and geriatric psychiatry,
  - expands research and patient care
  - improves the education infrastructure and
  - provides outreach facilities to enhance successful aging.
- A Community Education and Outreach Center - a key part of the project - provides comprehensive services to promote fitness, good nutrition, health education, independent living and socialization.
- Completed spring 2010
- Serving students: Fifty percent of the health care provided by UNMC students in 2020 will be for people age 65 and older, which makes it important to expose health professions students to this population.

Stanley M. Truhlsen Eye Institute
Opened May 2013

- The Stanley M. Truhlsen Eye Institute brings clinicians, researchers and patients together in one state-of-the-art facility featuring specialized care and the latest in diagnostic medicine.
- It is home to:
  - outpatient eye exam facilities for all ophthalmic subspecialties,
  - Carl Camras Center for Innovative Clinical Trials in Ophthalmology
  - Ocular Imaging Research and Reading Center
  - a children’s eye care center
  - a regional diagnostic center and
  - an optical shop.
- The total cost of the project is $30 million and will be completed in two phases.
  - The first phase is complete and includes a 47,000-square-foot-building housing clinical services, clinical research, diagnostic and educational facilities.
  - A surgical eye center is also in the planning phases.
Lauritzen Outpatient Center and Fritch Surgery Center  
Opened in December 2016

- Located between 40th and 41st Streets south of Emile Street, just up the hill from the new Truhlsen Eye Institute.
- Funding is largely through private support in partnership with the University of Nebraska Foundation. The primary donor is Bruce Lauritzen, longtime chairman of the Nebraska Medical Center board of directors and chairman of First National of Nebraska. Other major donors are UNMC alum and ophthalmologist Dr. Charles Fritch and his wife, Judy, and Bill and Ruth Scott.
- Cost: $70 million
- The 168,000-square-foot building will house 48 exam rooms, outpatient clinics, an outpatient surgery center with 10 operating rooms, surgeon and faculty offices, telehealth offices and research space for the Department of Orthopaedic Surgery & Rehabilitation.
- A related project by UNMC’s clinical partners will expand outpatient services at Village Pointe Medical Center in west Omaha.

The Truhlsen Skywalk  
Opened in March 2018

- Connects from the third level of the Truhlsen Eye Institute to the second level of the Lauritzen Outpatient Center/Fritch Surgery Center
- Approximately 230 feet long and 8 feet wide
- $2.1 million - privately funded
- Spans 40th street; it was determined with city officials that UNMC would now be responsible for the street
- Dr. Stan Truhlsen was 97 when the skywalk was dedicated. He turned 100 in 2020.
Dr. Edwin Davis & Dorothy Balbach Davis Global Center for Advanced Interprofessional Learning Home to iExcel
Opened in spring 2020

- The center focuses on competency-based simulation and virtual reality training for learners of all ages and positions UNMC as a national leader and resource in the use of next-generation technology to accomplish state-of-the-art experiential learning.
- The facility is located just south of the Sorrell Center on 42nd & Emile streets on what used to be parking lot 4.
- The building will be 190,000 Sq. Ft. with:
  - 134,000 sq. ft. - Education Space
  - 56,000 sq. ft. - Parking Space
- Total project cost of $102 million. The Nebraska Legislature approved $25 million in 2015 for construction, as well as $2 million for operations and maintenance of the new facility. Additional funding support comes from industry partnerships and private funds.
- In September 2016, the Omaha City Council approved a request for $5.2 million in redevelopment bond proceeds and $5.5 million in capital improvement program funds towards the project.
- In May of 2017, the Douglas County Board approved a resolution to create an inter-local agreement to direct a yet-to-be determined portion of inheritance tax revenue to the project.
- Estimated to add 325 well-paying jobs.
- The first floor of the building is home to the National Center for Health Security and Biopreparedness that teaches federal health care personnel procedures in treating highly infectious diseases and creates a place to monitor persons who have been exposed to a highly infectious disease, such as Ebola. The Center is funded by a $19.8 million award from the U.S. Department of Health & Human Services.
- A ground-breaking ceremony was held in April 2017 recognizing donors and project partners, announcing the name of Dr. Edwin Davis & Dorothy Balbach Davis. The Dorothy B. Davis Foundation is a major donor on the project.
Medical Center Plaza (New campus “front door”)  
Opened September 24, 2019

• Green space located at the intersection of 42nd and Leavenworth streets; Designed to create an entry point to campus
• On the site that was formerly home to the Charlie Graham auto body store, which relocated to the southeast corner of the same intersection
• Features 18 columns created by Omaha artist Jun Kaneko amongst a grove of mature trees (see photo above)
• Also features a winding sidewalk and benches to rest or to enjoy the view
• Is open to the public
• Donated by philanthropists Bob and Polina Schlott: Robert Schlott is the CEO and owner of Omaha-based Warren Distribution, the largest North American manufacturer of private label auto and machinery lubricants & Polina Schlott had a career as an acquisition professional for the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.
• Part of the dedication included a plaque in honor of Polina’s mother, Larisa Poluektova, M.D., Ph.D., a professor in the UNMC Department of Pharmacology and Experimental Neuroscience and co-director of the Translational Mouse Model Core Facility.
• The project also includes two monument signs, directly across the street to the east, which are designed to be seen by traffic approaching campus from the east, west and south and will be lit at night.
Michael F. Sorrell Center for Health Science Education (Opened in the fall of 2008)
- Constructed on the site of the original Child Saving Institute which later housed a variety of administrative departments such as computing services.
- Cost approximately $52.7 million dollars (all funded by private donations)
- Approximately 134,183 square feet.
- Omahan’s Ruth and Bill Scott made the largest donation to the University of Nebraska Foundation and named the building after Dr. Michael Sorrell, a legendary physician and administrator at UNMC for the past 35 plus years.
- Features
  - technologically enhanced classrooms
  - patient-focused clinical skills laboratories
  - multi-purpose conference space for continuing education
  - student interaction space

Wittson Hall
- Dedicated in 1969
- Originally called the Basic Science Building,
- In 1972, it was re-named Wittson Hall in honor of Dr. Cecil L. Wittson upon his retirement as Chancellor. Dr. Wittson was director of the Nebraska Psychiatric Institute from 1950 through 1964. He was dean of the College of Medicine until 1968 when he became UNMC’s first chancellor.
- In August 2017, The Board of Regents approved an $18 million renovation project.
- The renovation started in 2018 and was completed in the spring of 2021. It includes restoration of the nearly 50-year-old building to current ADA standards, renovated restrooms and remodeled or repurposed space on all eight levels, including 49,500 square feet in the McGoogan Library and history of medicine archives to provide state-of-the-art library and study space adapted for the predominance of digital media.
- The project will also include the new Wigton Heritage Center.
- Please see the next page (pg. 16) for more details.
Leon S. McGoogan Health Sciences Library

- Dr. McGoogan was a longtime UNMC obstetrician and gynecologist. He was honored for his private gifts to the library and for his fund-raising efforts among College of Medicine alumni.
- In 2020, the Library was renamed to Leon S. McGoogan Health Science Library, to reflect the library’s service to the whole campus.
- A renovation began in 2019 and the Library was re-opened in the spring of 2021. The renovation includes:
  - Increased natural lighting
  - Upgraded IT infrastructure
  - More than 50 study rooms,
  - Enhanced makerspace facilities
  - An expanded writing center and E-learning facility
  - A faculty commons area to better support educators in light of UNMC’s evolving Interprofessional/experiential learning model.
The Wigton Heritage Center

- The Board of Regents in June 2018 approved the construction and naming of a welcome and campus history center, the Wigton Heritage Center. Construction began in late 2019 and was completed in early 2021.
- The goal of the project is to showcase UNMC’s unique heritage.
- The Heritage Center was constructed in conjunction with the Wittson Hall renovation project (see page 11)
- Total project cost of $8 million that is fully privately-funded
  - Major funding was contributed by Robert Wigton, M.D., a 1969 alumnus of the College of Medicine who served as professor in internal medicine at UNMC.
- The project includes a multi-level glass addition while also updating the nearly 50-year-old Wittson Hall with significant modernization of the library and the current building safety codes.
- Includes approximately 10,000-square-ft.
- The project replaced the existing walkways between Wittson Hall and University Tower. The buildings are now connected through a multi-floor space lined with interactive exhibits.
- Includes both free-standing and digital exhibit space, and enclosed University Hospital’s historic façade and iconic columns within the Dr. Leland & Dorothy Olson Atrium. The atrium serves as a welcoming space for alumni, visitors, and others.

The project also included the creation of the William H. Northwall, M.D. Plaza (pictured above) on the north side of the building. The plaza features a beautiful garden and art sculpture titled “Convergence.” The piece was installed by Jenny Sabin Studio in the summer of 2021. Dr. Northwall is a 1969 graduate of the UNMC College of Medicine and the plaza was made possible by his generous philanthropic gift.
UNMC College of Nursing
- The College of Nursing was constructed in 1974 & dedicated January 1976.
- The building has 5 floors with a total of 69,100 gross square feet.

Center for Nursing Science
- The Center for Nursing Science was dedicated in October of 2010 and provides an additional 43,500 square feet.
- $14 million addition was funded by Ruth and Bill Scott

Williams Science Hall (former UNMC College of Pharmacy)
- The College of Pharmacy was constructed in 1975 and dedicated in October 1976.
- The building has 4 floors (+ rooftop greenhouse) with a total of 65,200 square feet.
- In 1989, steel beams and columns were added to correct the structural integrity of the building.
- On October 20, 2014, building was officially renamed the Joseph D. & Millie E. Williams Science Hall.
- In Aug. 2017, the Board of Regents approved a $10 million renovation project for the building.
- The renovation was completed in May of 2021.

Poynter Hall
- The first building on campus was completed in 1913.
- Originally named the North Laboratory.
- Re-named Poynter Hall in 1970 in memory of the late Dr. Charles W.M. Poynter, who served as dean of the College of Medicine from 1930 through 1946.
- Building was renovated and reopened in October 2012 and is the home of the Department of Psychiatry.
- Budget for the remodeling project was $9.1 million dollars with LB 605 funds.
- Remodel included a new entry on 42nd St.
The Lied Transplant Center

- The building features 44 patient care suites for bone marrow and solid organ transplant patients and 44 hotel rooms.
- An innovative health-care delivery system – cooperative care – allows family and friends to provide the patient’s most basic care needs in a “more home-like” environment supported by a multi-disciplinary staff of specialists.
- 14-level, 259,000 square-foot building
- No state tax dollars were used in the construction of this building, as several large donations provided funding for the project.
- The largest donation of $15 million was made by the Lied Foundation.
Bennett Hall

- Built in 1919 & originally called the South Laboratory
- Provided laboratory and teaching space for basic science and clinical departments.
- Re-named South Hall in 1990 and re-named Bennett Hall in 1995 in honor of the late Dr. A. Lawrence Bennett, former chairman of the UNMC physiology department who worked in the building throughout his entire 39-year career.
- Building reopened in September 2008 following an $8.9 million renovation
- The UNMC School of Allied Health Professions (SAHP) now the College of Allied Health Professions, moved into Bennett Hall in 2008. It is the first time since the SAHP was formed in 1972 that all 10 SAHP educational programs are under the same roof. Now, the CAHP occupies levels 3-6.
- The Department of Anesthesiology administrative offices are located on level 2 due to the easy access to the hospital and operating rooms via the tunnel system.
- The renovations were made possible by a legislative bill, LB605, passed in 2006 to provide matching state funds to upgrade buildings on all four campuses of the University of Nebraska system.

NOTE: The entrance to the tunnel is located right by the door to the Amphitheater. The tunnel system connects Bennett Hall and The Lied Transplant Center to the 2nd floor of University Hospital, Unit II. This tunnel was originally built so the nurses could safely walk from their dormitory to the hospital. (The Lied Transplant Center sits on the site where Conkling Hall once stood.) Many alumni have fond memories and some great stories about the tunnel system.
The stones above the stained glass window are from the entrance to the 1893 building that was located at 12th & Pacific streets.

Pictured below is the original stained glass window that was formerly located in the breezeway between Wittson Hall and University Tour. This is now the third floor of the Heritage Center.

Eppley Institute for Research in Cancer & Allied Diseases

- Established as a cancer research center with funds from a grant of the Eugene C. Eppley Foundation, the first building was dedicated in 1963.
- The original building included six floors and 50,000 square feet of laboratory and office space.
- In 1973, the Eppley Hall of Science (the white building) addition was completed, providing an additional 30,000 square feet of space.
- A four-floor addition on top of the Eppley Hall of Science was completed in 1993, adding almost 48,000 square feet of new research space.
- Eppley was a hotel entrepreneur whose business interests extended throughout the Midwest. The Eppley Foundation was founded to further his interest in providing assistance for community development.
- The Institute building underwent a complete renovation costing $11.9 million and was made possible by a legislative bill, LB605, passed in 2006 to provide matching state funds to upgrade buildings on all four campuses of the University of Nebraska system and an $8 million grant from the National Institutes of Health.
These photos are floors 3 & 4 in University Tour. The 4th floor in University Tour is still home to Hospital Amphitheater Rm 4208.

A Note About The Nebraska Medical Center
University Hospital and Clarkson Hospital merged in 1997. Basically, University Hospital left the University of Nebraska system to merge with Clarkson Hospital and become a separate organization governed by its own Board of Directors. It has developed into a strong and successful partnership. It is the teaching hospital for UNMC.

It was called Nebraska Health System from 1997 until 2001 when the name was changed to “The Nebraska Medical Center.”

In 2013, UNMC, the Nebraska Medical Center, UNMC Physicians, Bellevue Medical Center and Private Practice Physicians formed a new “clinical enterprise” that was named officially Nebraska Medicine in 2014. With one unified leadership structure, Nebraska Medicine was formed to position these entities to be the region’s leading health care system, to deliver the best health care for patients, and to continue to thrive during ongoing health care reform. The “University of Nebraska Medical Center” is part of the University system. Nebraska Medicine is not.
**Durham Outpatient Center (DOC)**
- Originally called the Outpatient Care Center opened on the UNMC campus in the spring of 1993.
- Re-named Durham Outpatient Center in 1998 in recognition of Charles and Margre Durham.
- Most of the clinics are located in this building along with an outpatient pharmacy.

This is how the Ambulatory Clinic Building (left) and the University Hospital Tower appeared before the Durham Outpatient Center was built in 1990.

**Medical Science Building (Behind the Gift Shop, you can see the facade of the Medical Sciences Building.)**
- Formerly called the Ambulatory Clinic Building.
- Dedicated in 1977 and housed the clinics.
- Is now called the Medical Sciences Building and provides office space for UNMC Physicians.

The DOC building comes up against the inpatient rooms of the hospital tower. The atrium was designed with skylights to allow natural light to enter the patient rooms that overlook the atrium.
C.A. & Caroline Swanson Hall
- Built in 1948
- It was Childrens Memorial Hospital until the hospital moved out to 84th & West Dodge Road in 1981.
- In 1973, the building was home for the Swanson Center for Nutrition, which was founded by Gretchen Swanson Velde as a result of the deep interest in food and nutrition fostered by her family, longtime leaders in the food industry.
- Yes, it is the same Swanson as in Swanson TV Dinners!
- In 1990, the name was changed to the C.A. and Caroline Swanson Hall.
- In 2013, the history of the building was celebrated before the site was cleared to build the future cancer center.

Durham Research Towers
- are built on the site where the Nebraska Psychiatric Institute (NPI) once stood.

Nebraska Psychiatric Institute (NPI)
- Cecil Wittson opened the NPI building in 1955 on the basis of his belief that the future of psychiatry was in the use of new drugs and psychotherapeutic techniques to provide treatment to the mentally ill. Time proved him correct.
- In 1989, the building became the University Geriatric Center with 30 inpatient beds, 14 gero-psychiatric, a sleep lab and a pain management center. UNMC geriatric programs are now housed in a brand new building located on 38th Ave and Leavenworth streets. It is called the Home Instead Center for Successful Aging.
- In 2001, the history of the building was celebrated before the site was cleared in preparation for the construction of the first research tower.
Durham Research Center I
- Ground was broken on May 2001
- Dedicated November 2003.
- Named in honor of Charles Durham to recognize his outstanding contribution to the project.
- 10 levels, including two below ground and a total of 289,000 gross square feet.
- The DRC cost $77 million – all from private funds, except $2.5 million in federal funds.
- No state tax dollars were used in the construction.

Some of the buildings highlights include:
- 116 research laboratories
- a 319-seat auditorium
- three classrooms and 12 conference/seminar rooms
- computer laboratory
- research areas with state-of-the-art laboratories and associated support services.

Durham Research Center II
- In 2006, UNMC broke ground to build the second research tower adjacent to the Durham Research Center (DRC).
- 10 levels with 95 state-of-the-art laboratories, as well as office space for investigators. and laboratory support personnel
- Funding came primarily from private donations, with Chuck Durham making the largest donation to date.
- UNMC commissioned a sculpture of Durham by Omaha artist John Lajba, which is located near the entrances of the two research towers.
- Opened in May 2009.
The Fred & Pamela Buffett Cancer Center

**Home to:** Cancer research and clinical treatment facilities

**Location:** Durham Research Plaza and Dewey Street

**Cost:** $323 million, the largest project ever at the University of Nebraska.

**Suzanne & Walter Scott Cancer Research Tower:**
- 252,000 square feet
- 98 labs
- 10 total floors
- Seven floors dedicated to research, including breast, brain, pancreatic, GI, prostate, lymphoma, leukemia, lung, head and neck, and women’s cancer, as well as cancer vaccines, drug development and pediatric cancer
- One floor of mechanical support; One level of underground research support space
- Lead gift from the Suzanne & Walter Scott Foundation

**C.L. Werner Cancer Hospital (Clinical Treatment Facility):**
- 325,000 square feet
- Eight floors
- Multidisciplinary outpatient area which includes clinics, infusion, radiation therapy, surgery, radiology and collaborative treatment/diagnostics
- 108-bed inpatient hospital which includes three total floors
- Lead gift from the C. L. Werner Foundation

**Public Support:**
- Nebraska Legislature – $50 million pledged for the research tower
- City of Omaha – $35 million
- Douglas County – $5 million

**Employee Support:** $315,000

**Private Support:** Lead gift from Pamela & (the late) Fred C. Buffett. Other principal benefactors include: Robert B. Daugherty Foundation, Clarkson Regional Health Services, Peter Kiewit Foundation, the Holland Foundation and Ruth & Bill Scott.

**Economic Impact:** The project created thousands of construction and thousands of other industry jobs citywide. In addition, approximately 1,200 jobs were created at the medical center – each with an average salary of approximately $70,000. In all, the project is estimated to have created 4,657 new jobs to the Omaha metro area, infusing $537 million annually into the economy.
The Chihuly Sanctuary is the cornerstone of the Fred and Pamela Buffett Cancer Center Healing Arts Program. The sanctuary is the most comprehensive health care environment structure ever created by world-renowned glass artist Dale Chihuly. It is designed to serve as:

- A place of respite and reflection for patients, families and staff
- A stress-reducing environment
- Improves sense of well-being

Chihuly and his team have worked closely with the UNMC and Nebraska Medicine teams to create a space where patients, researchers and caregivers can meditate and find a moment of peace.

The sanctuary was supported by private funds. Walter Scott and his late wife, Suzanne, are the lead benefactors. Other donors include the Gail E. Davis family and Mary Jean and Hugh Williams.

The defining colors of the Chihuly Sanctuary will be easily seen from many vantage points on the campus of the cancer center, signifying to everyone that the space is something truly unique and special a place where art and healing have come together to help make a difference in the lives of patients, caregivers, researchers and hospital personnel.
The first College of Nursing building located just west of The Lied Transplant Center.

Specialty Services Pavilion (formerly the School of Nursing)
- Built in 1957 as the School of Nursing and used until the current College of Nursing opened in 1976.
- Building is currently used for the Nebraska House – a motel type facility for patients and families
- Also home of the Diabetes Center

The Hixson-Lied Center for Clinical Excellence and Clarkson Tower
- Connects University and Clarkson Hospitals
- Constructed in 2005 for a cost of $56.5 million dollars.
- 4 stories with a total of 165,000 square feet.
  - houses the Newborn Intensive Care Unit (NICU)
  - emergency room; Level 1 Trauma Center
  - radiology
  - 27 state-of-the-art operating rooms.
The Monroe Meyer Institute on UNMC’s Omaha campus pictured above. The new facility at right was opened in June 2021 on the campus at the University of Nebraska Omaha (UNO).

Munroe-Meyer Institute for Genetics and Rehabilitation

- Founded by the C.L. Meyer family and called the Meyer Therapy Center.
- Provided residential and classroom facilities for children with physical handicaps.
- In 1968, it became the Meyer Children’s Rehabilitation Institute when it combined with the University Handicapped Childrens Clinic.
- Because of the increasing longevity of the institute’s clients and the diversity of its programs, the Board of Regents dropped the reference to children from the name in 1989.
- The Hattie B. Munroe portion of this facility was constructed in 1959 as a place for children with handicapping conditions.
- Funding came from John A. Munroe, a retired Union Pacific Railroad vice president, in memory of his wife, Hattie Baker Munroe, who herself had been disabled.
- Originally the Hattie B. Munroe Home for Convalescent Children, it became the Hattie B. Munroe Pavilion in 1968 when the University of Nebraska Medical Center began to assist with its programming efforts.

- In 1990, construction was completed on a three-story addition connecting the existing pavilion with the northwest corner of the Meyer Rehabilitation Institute, providing increased space for patient care and research.
- Construction of a second three-story addition was begun in 1997 and was completed in 1998.
- In conjunction with the 1997 addition, it was decided to combine the Meyer Rehabilitation Institute and the Hattie B. Munroe Pavilion to become the Munroe-Meyer Institute for Genetics and Rehabilitation. The combination of the two entities makes for one of the largest facilities in the country providing care for children and adults with physical or developmental disabilities.
- Munroe-Meyer relocated to the former first data building at 6902 Pine Street near the UNO campus. Construction began in 2019 & facility opened in June 2021.
The College of Nursing Divisions

With five campuses, the College of Nursing is the largest of UNMC’s six health colleges and extends statewide from border to border. Since 1974, the college added divisions in Lincoln, Scottsbluff, Kearney and Norfolk.

The addition of the divisions was made possible through the use of technology such as teleconferencing, television downlinking and videotapes to provide nursing education for students at a distance.

Collectively, the CON offers the most programs of any other college at UNMC with comprehensive degrees including bachelors, masters, post-master, doctoral and continuing nursing education. The CON is the largest of UNMC’s colleges.

The College of Nursing aspires to be recognized as one of the top schools of nursing in the nation. As college momentum expands in research education and practice, CON’s focus is on integrating these missions to create, test and teach innovative models for excellent nursing and health care.

Lincoln Division
Established in 1974

- The $41.5 million building project is home to the UNMC College of Nursing’s Lincoln Division and UNL’s University Health Center in a combined structure of about 100,000 sq. ft.
- The Nebraska Legislature provided $12.5 million in funding.
- It replaces the college’s former location in downtown Lincoln.
- The facility provides medical, dental and physical therapy clinic areas and the infrastructure to accommodate contemporary health care technology.

West Nebraska Division in Scottsbluff
Established in 1986

- Located in two facilities in Scottsbluff.
- The classroom, clinical skills laboratories and staff are located at the Western Nebraska Community College John N. Harms Advanced Technology Center.
- Faculty offices, an assessment lab, and a patient simulation suite are housed at the Regional West Medical Center.
The J. Paul and Eleanor McIntosh College of Nursing
Northern Nebraska Division in Norfolk, Established in 2003

- Located on the Northeast Community College campus.
- 43,747-square-foot facility, the J. Paul and Eleanor McIntosh College of Nursing, was completed to house UNMC’s bachelor of science in nursing, master of science in nursing and doctoral degree programs.
- Cost $12.9 million
- The Norfolk community raised $11.9 million in private funds, including a capstone gift from Norfolk philanthropists J. Paul and Eleanor McIntosh for more than $1 million.

Kearney Division, Established in 1991

- Construction of a $19 million Health Science Education Building at UNK was completed in Kearney in the summer of 2015. Construction began in April 2014.
- The 48,500-square foot-building opened for its first students in the fall of 2015.
- The new facility provides space for the expansion of College of Nursing programs, and brings new UNMC programs for physician assistants, physical therapists, medical nutritionists, clinical laboratory scientists, radiographers and diagnostic medical sonographers to the UNK campus, and facilitate the education of current UNK students.
- Building contains 7 classrooms and accommodates up to 300 students. The facility also includes labs and clinical simulation areas and in the fall of 2015 had 46 faculty and staff members.
- The health science education building expands nursing and the allied health education in central Nebraska

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